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Dear Mr. Aaron Harris,

I am writing to express my views on the two-year extension request for Southridge Park Subdivision. I live in the neighborhood adjacent to the proposed development site and I have been interested in the project for some time.

First of all, I want to state that I do not oppose new development in my neighborhood and I recognize that the Portland metro area is in great need for additional housing. I appreciate the efforts of the applicant and the city to create more residential opportunities in our community.

However, I have some concerns about the impact of the development on the safety and quality of life of the existing residents, especially the children who frequent Meadow Waye Park. As you know, the park is located directly east of the development site and it has a playground, a soccer field, and a bike path. It is a popular destination for families and kids of all ages.

My main concern is related to the potential road access to the new development from the northeast corner of the property. This would create a new intersection on 133rd Ave, which is already a busy and narrow street. Moreover, there is a blind corner on 133rd Ave and Bluebell Lane, where cars have poor visibility while navigating this sharp turn. Adding more traffic to this area would increase the risk of accidents and conflicts between cars and pedestrians, especially children who ride their bikes to and from the park.

Therefore, I strongly advise against implementing road access to the new development from the northeast corner of the property. I suggest that the applicant and the city explore alternative options for accessing the subdivision, such as creating a new access point from the south side of the property while maintaining pedestrian access at the northeast corner. This option would reduce the traffic impact on Bluebell Lane/133rd Ave and enhance the safety and livability of the neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this matter. I hope that you will take my comments into account when reviewing the extension request for Southridge Park Subdivision. I look forward to hearing from you and learning more about the progress of the project.

Sincerely,
Daniel Chen
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