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To: <u>DPTI:Planning Reform Submissions</u>

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I wish to comment on the proposed new Planning and design code.

I currently live in Clarence Park(west of East Avenue) and our zone under The City of Unley development plan RB350 is being transitioned in to the General Neighbourhood Zone. I wish to strongly object to this change and to point out that the proposed change will bring about MAJOR changes to our area . Initially the Minister and commission chair indicated that the proposed changes would be minor however after seeing them they are MAJOR .

## Specifically

- -sites have been reduced from 350m to 300, and in the cases of row housing, down to 200
- -Setbacks have been drastically reduced from 10m to 5m
- -most sites now would have an allowance for a 3 to 1 redevelopment opportunity and possibly 4 to 1 on corner blocks
- -overlooking restrictions have been reduced from 1.7 m sill height on  $2^{\text{nd}}$  floor windows to 1.5
- -carport width have increased from 30% to 50% so that garages/carports will dominate the streetscape
- roofed area to grow from 50% to 60%

These changes will effectively double the population in our area resulting in

- -loss of on street carparking with resultant street congestion
- -loss of street trees and yard trees (this results in increased air temperature and decreased air quality)
- overcrowding of our already limited green spaces. Unley only has 2.5% open green space as we speak. It is also totally ludicrous where ideas such as the new design code must only encourage a decrease in green canopy at a time when the Premier has publicly stated we need to plant more trees!
- -loss of sense of space and character of the area. If I wanted to live in a newly created soulless, slum, I would have moved to a place like Churchill Rd, Prospect or the like where planning appears to have over ridden by pure profit it certainly isn't for aesthetics, design or open space.

As such I STRONGLY object to the proposed plan and ask that the current RB350 zone be transitioned into the suburban Neighbourhood Zone so that block sizes remain unchanged

I also ask that Local Council be a preferred driver of Development Policy in the future as the current proposed changes clearly represent a massive unwanted and unsympathetic change to our local community.

Regards

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