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I am writing to formally appeal the decision to approve the permit for the construction of a six-story apartment building at 1030 Manzanita St, 90029. As a resident of Manzanita St and a neighboring property owner, I have significant concerns about how this development will impact our community.

1. Impact on Residential Character: The proposed six-story building is out of scale with the existing neighborhood, which primarily consists of one- to two-story residences. This drastic increase in height will alter the character of our community and diminish the residential charm that currently defines our area. This building is going to tower over my home, and the homes of all of its neighbors. There will be a lack of privacy, loss of daylight and peace. We can't have a 6 story building 6 feet away from our property line. This building is a fit for a boulevard not a small residential street like Manzanita. There were codes and regulations for a reason and the fact that there is a bus stop close by (that is safe to say none of the residents of those luxury apartments will use) shouldn't change that.

2. Traffic and Parking Concerns: The additional density from this development is likely to exacerbate existing traffic congestion and parking shortages in our neighborhood. It's already hard to find parking and cars are often double parked, because of the nearby Erewhon. The increase in the number of residents and vehicles will strain the already limited parking and road capacity, leading to potential safety hazards and reduced quality of life for current residents.

3. Environmental and Aesthetic Impact: The construction of such a large structure will have significant environmental impacts, including potential changes to local wildlife habitats and increased noise and air pollution. The butterfly sanctuary will be disrupted and will probably cease to exist. Furthermore, the aesthetic of a six-story building will starkly contrast with the surrounding architecture, leading to a negative visual impact.

4. Infrastructure Strain: Our local infrastructure, including schools, utilities, and public services, may be unable to accommodate the additional demand created by this development. This strain could affect the quality and accessibility of these essential services for all residents.

5. Previous Community Concerns: During the public review process, many residents expressed their concerns regarding this development. It appears that these concerns have not been adequately addressed in the final decision.

In light of these concerns, I respectfully request that the Planning Commission reconsider this permit approval. I urge you to take into account the significant impact this development will have on our community and explore alternative solutions that align with the neighborhood's character and infrastructure capacity.

Thank you for considering my appeal. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss these issues further and provide additional documentation if necessary.