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Dear Mr. Sexton

The United States Air Force Academy (USAFA) received the proposed Concept Plan and Zone Change for Campus at Foothills Farm, northeast of I-25 and Interquest Parkway.

While we acknowledge that this property is currently approved for buildings at 120 feet high and the proposed plan lowers the maximum height to 100 feet, USAFA would like to make the City Planning Department, Planning Commission, and City Council aware that placing high-rise commercial in Parcel A of the Campus at Foothills Farm, where there is an established high-volume takeoff and landing pattern for USAFA aircraft, will expose future occupants, USAFA cadets and pilots to heightened risk.

USAFA met directly with La Plata Communities, developer of Campus at Foothills Farm, on 27 June 2018 to discuss the above concern. Based on the conversation, La Plata agreed to proactively file for an aeronautical study with the FAA, per Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 77, for review of this project to determine a safe and compatible height for development. Following the completion of the study, USAFA and La Plata will reengage in conversations regarding the Campus at Foothills Farm development.

While we fully anticipate La Plata will continue to work with USAFA to resolve the concerns we've raised before pursuing approvals for the application, we wanted to make the City aware of our concerns and efforts to resolve them.

Questions relating to these comments can be sent to our Community Planner, Ms. Carrie Muchow at 333-5939 or carrie.muchow.ctr@us.af.mil.

Sincerely


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