From: Jordan K <jordankaczor2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 7:12 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel

**Subject:** Bloom house development

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Hello,

My name is Jordan and my husband and I live in the Mid Shooks Run neighborhood and have been informed of the possible development called the Bloom House. I am emailing to kindly ask that this development does not get built at this location. My husband and I bought our property 1 year ago because we loved the quiet and safe street we live on. The location of the Bloom house is in very close proximity to parks we visit daily and it is close to an elementary school where we plan to have our future children attend. We feel if this development continued the area including the schools and parks may be in jeopardy of the quiet, clean and peaceful environment they have now. Please consider this as you discuss the agenda.

Best,

Jordan and Ben McElravy

From: Victoria Mack <tori.mack80@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 4:45 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel

**Subject:** Project file CPC UV 21-00102

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I am very concerned by the continual efforts to place drug and alcohol treatment facilities in residential neighborhoods. That does not create a safe environment for residents and users of Shooks Run Park.

Thank you, Tori Mack N Prospect St

**From:** rjmacri@yahoo.com

Sent: Thursday, November 11, 2021 2:51 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel **Subject:** Cpc up 21-00102

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The placement of the purposed facility in this residential neighborhood is obviously inappropriate.

Boardering the central downtown core, this area is constantly resisting the onslaught of business and commercial enterprises in an attempt to retain the sorely needed residential presence in this older portion of Colorado Springs. With the increased presence of the homeless and vagrant population, adding a drug and alcohol treatment facility would be adding insult to injury. A possible alternative might be something less detrimental to the area, residential housing, a daycare facility, or an enterprise that would complement this worn but historic portion of our city. Remember, there is a elementary school located only 4 blocks from this site.

Think of where you live and imagine this facility in your backyard....Robert Macri

**From:** Felicia Kelly <feliciamkelly@gmail.com> **Sent:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 3:36 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel

**Subject:** Bloom House Development Project

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Hello,

My name is Felicia Kelly. My husband and I live a 738 E. Boulder St. and I'm writing in regard to the notice I received about the Bloom House Development Project at 701 E. Boulder St.

First, I think the mission and concept of the Bloom Recovery Home program is valuable and necessary, however I don't believe 701 E. Boulder St. is an appropriate location for such a program. This area of town has been growing and not in the best ways. I've lived here since 2015 and the increase in our homeless population has only increased. I think voluntarily inviting drug addicted women into this neighborhood is asking for additional issues regarding homelessness, drug addicts, and other problems. I sympathize with the struggles these women are going through but I don't think this is the safest or best place for them to live. I understand that housing in Colorado Springs is abysmal at the moment but this corner is far from ideal. As much as I would love to joyfully welcome a program supporting struggling women into my neighborhood I don't believe it would benefit anyone involved.

Thank you so much for your time, Felicia

From: taris.associates <taris.associates@protonmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 4:48 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel

**Subject:** Questions to be included in the Agenda Packet and presented at the meeting

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Mr. Sexton,

As relevant interested parties (we reside within 150 yards of the proposed location) answers to the following questions are necessary for my wife and I to make a final decision on whether we will approve of the variance. Therefore, please have the following questions included in the November 18, 2021 Agenda Packet and I formally request that they are presented at the meeting as well.

- 1) Can the variance be granted without neighborhood approval or does it require majority / unanimous approval by neighbors?
- 2) What is the reason for Bloom House's move from their current location?
- 3) Is the current Bloom House location in a residential neighborhood?
- 4) How many 911 calls were received against the current Bloom House over the past 12 months?
- 5) How many neighborhood complaints were received against the current Bloom House in the last 18 months?
- 6) What is the process of closing the Bloom House in the event it becomes a problem for the neighborhood in terms of increased crime?
- 7) What is the success rate of rehabilitation for the current Bloom House?
- 8) What are the established / documented plans for Bloom House to be an asset to the neighborhood (as opposed to a detriment)?

Thank You,

**Ted Aris** 

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From: Chris Conboy < ChrisConboy@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 12:50 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel **Subject:** CPC UV 21-00102

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Dear Daniel: I am in support of Bloom House. The location is good for access to the bus and there would not be a problem with parking as I believe there is a lot in the back. This site has been a counseling center in the past and therefore is an appropriate use of the facilities. Thank-you. Chris Conboy, MSRNA board member and neighbor(528 East Bijou) PH: 719 339.8857(cell/text)

From: Spitzer <spitzpran@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 14, 2021 8:17 PM

**To:** Sexton, Daniel

**Subject:** file #CPC UV 21-00102

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I am writing to oppose the establishment of an HR facility for drug and alcohol treatment at 701 E. Boulder & 325 N. El Paso Streets for the following reasons.

The city has lots of first hand examples of some of the collateral damage that occurs from such facilities. Among them is a dramatic increase in vagrancy. That location is in a highly residential district--full of families that enjoy Boulder park, have children who walk to school (Columbia Elementary is just a block away), that enjoy the safety of their neighborhood. Establishing that HR facility there will have a huge negative impact on their sense of security (whether or not it is in fact actually threatened) and their ability to harbor and continue to carry out the lives they have established as a residential neighborhood.

Personally I enjoy walking, and carry out as many of my errands as possible on foot, and also enjoy exploring on foot other parts of the city in which I find myself for any reason. I have experienced first hand areas of the city in which I felt threatened walking there as a single woman. While I have never, thank goodness, been assaulted or otherwise violated (although a friend of mine was not so fortunate. She was violently assaulted downtown by a homeless man) each time I come across one of those areas I make a note never to walk there again. The locations where I have experienced that have invariably been places where there are facilities providing vital aid to the homeless and to those with alcohol and drug problems. I strongly support the existence and the enormous need for such facilities. But I feel from my own experience that their presence in a residential area full of families degrades that neighborhood dramatically, making all the neighbors pay a high price for the benefits gained by the facility's clients. The facilities themselves are not to blame. The enormity and nature of the problems they are trying to address are the root of the problem. But that makes the unintended consequences unavoidable. Such facilities, therefore, should never be established in highly residential areas. And they should never be located near a school.

Therefore I strongly oppose not the creation of the facility, but its creation in the heart of a residential neighborhood.

Thank you for soliciting citizen input and for your time in considering mine.

Susan Spitzer 719-473-1219