

## Kelly Tayara

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**Subject:** Messenger House Development -- Example photos attached.  
**Attachments:** Coleman view BEFORE.jpg; Coleman View AFTER.jpg

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Greetings all,

I live directly adjacent to the Messenger House property. It's my understanding that the Design Review board is meeting today on this development.

I have studied the messenger house plans in order to understand how it will affect the neighborhood. I would like to invite you all to walk around my property to get a sense for how the current plan will impact the neighborhood.

**But because time is short for today's meeting, I have attached BEFORE & AFTER photos based on the drawings of the Messenger House architects.**

In short, I'm very concerned with the location and size of the proposed construction.

At 3 stories tall, the proposed new structure will reach a much greater height and take on the appearance of an urban apartment building with outdoor decks and terraces. The existing one-story building blends with the neighborhood in an unobtrusive way and fits the semi-rural designation of the neighborhood.

The proposed construction includes demolishing the southern wing and building a huge new wing, increasing square footage from 20,500 to over 52,460 square feet. The footprint of the building will increase accordingly and the position of the new building would be much closer to the edge of the property closest to my home.

There is currently minimal natural foliage to screen this development from the neighbors. The plans also call for the removal of several tall, mature trees which currently block the view of the existing one-story southern wing of the facility.

I would like to ask that the Messenger House developers revise their plans to reduce the scale and impact of their development by building further from the boundary of their property and to build a structure that matches the character and zoning of the neighborhood. I would also ask for a comprehensive screening and landscaping plan to be provided to the neighbors. It's my understanding that screening promised in 1995 was either missing or ineffective, even to this day.

Please have a look at the attached photos and, again, I would like to invite you to visit my property to get a visual sense for what this development means for the Messenger House neighbors.

Regards,

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