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[Planning]: STR request for 1, 3, 5, and 7 Fyfer Place - hearing tonight

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Cecile Bentley. I live at 1863 Cliff Dr., Columbia MO 65201, which is the neighborhood behind these properties.

I am writing to oppose the request to allow STR approval for these 4 adjoining properties in Fyfer Place.

My concern is that granting this request would set a precedent that would be damaging to our residential neighborhoods.

The current ordinance, which took 5 years and many hundreds of hours to develop, established a rule that an STR could not be established within 300 feet of another STR. This rule was based on a lot of research and thought.

This requests asks for 4 adjoining STR's - ignoring this rule.

An exception granted now means that the next property owner -with multiple properties within 300' can complain that you have already allowed this exception. This could bring adjacent STR's into Columbias many quiet and thriving neighborhoods. This would be particularly damaging in neighborhoods where affordable housing is already scarce.

I firmly oppose ignoring one of the most basic tenets of the STR ordinance, the "300 foot rule", and urge you to vote "NO".

Thank you for your consideration

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