

Public Comment
03/03/2023 Board Retreat

From: [Planning Department](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [Rachael Evanson](#)
Subject: FW: halt development approval until remove or rewrite CCMC 17.10
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:49:09 AM
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Good morning,

Please see the Public Comment below for the March 3rd meeting.

Thank you,

Cecilia Rice

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From: Ingrid Gilstrap <ingrid.gilstrap@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:15 AM
To: Planning Department <planning@carson.org>
Subject: halt development approval until remove or rewrite CCMC 17.10

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Mar 1, 2023

Dear Carson City Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission,

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I hope the Board and the Planning Commission, during their joint work session this Friday, Mar 3, 2023, will move forward, halting the approval of any developments based on CCMC 17.10 until it is

either amended or removed from the code.

Sincerely,

Ingrid M. Gilstrap
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From: [Bob Weise](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Title 17
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:40:06 AM

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Cathy & Bob Weise
1777 North Winnie Lane
Carson City, NV 89703

February 28, 2023

Dear Mayor Bagwell, Supervisors and Members of the Planning Commission,

Thank you all for taking the time to host this workshop on Title 17. I will be out of State during your meeting and I have strong feelings about this issue, so please consider the following comments.

I've been a member of the Carson City community for over 65 years and currently reside on Winnie Lane near Ash Canyon Road. I am also one of those dastardly people know as a land developer and I'm responsible for Lakeview Estates, Westwood and Lightning W Ranch. I tell you this because I strongly believe that property owners have the right to develop their land within the zoning and master plan designations. Having said that, I am equally adamant that "spirit" of both the zoning and master plan must be adhered to whenever development occurs.

Carson City is a special place, so much so, that is why we have chosen to live our remaining years here. My concern is that Title 17 is being abused and the "spirit" of open space has become a farce. Historically, land developers were NEVER allowed, nor did they expect, to receive entitlement to 100% development density based on the zoning. For example, if I owned 100 acres of land zoned for one-acre parcels, it was understood that after accounting for roadways, we would be lucky to get 85 one-acre parcels. The concept of creating open space was to provide a public benefit and not to be a tool for developers to receive a full allocation of density without regard to roadways or non-buildable areas. It is pretty simple, the smaller the lot, the less money a developer has to spend to extend sewer, water, utilities and roads.

There is land that is not developable due to constraints such as slope, flood plain, fault zones, wetlands, etc. Often the master plan and zoning didn't take these issues into consideration as they were designed to create compatibility and transition between different densities and land uses. When a developer buys land, they are well aware of these constraints and they should not be rewarded for full development densities by cramming small lots into limited usable areas, especially when these small lots are not compatible with the adjacent already developed neighborhood. It is not fair to those persons living on a one-acre lot (43,560 square feet) to have adjacent lots of 15,000 square feet. After all, what is the value of a one-acre lot vs. a 1/3 acre lot? Point being, the existing home owners adjacent to the high-density development are the real losers.

The spirit "open space" is clearly stated in 17.10.005 "to preserve or provide open space, protect natural, cultural and scenic resources", it cannot be drainage ditches, sidewalk and back yards. It needs to be real open space that can be enjoyed by the community and has value to the adjacent property owners. Before Title 17 can be utilized for a project, I believe some findings need to be made. The first finding that needs to be addressed is:

What public benefit will be realized by allowing smaller lots than otherwise would be allowed under the current zoning?

The second finding should be:

How may lots can be developed on the subject parcel using traditional mapping process?

My point with these findings is that to use Title 17 a developer must demonstrate substantial public benefit in creating smaller parcels, and the density allowed should not exceed the number of lots that can be developed under traditional subdivision mapping procedures.

The best example is the truly open space is at the South end of Longview between Kings Canyon and Washington St. There are grassy expanses where people can play with their kids and dogs, walking trails and a true sense of openness. Another example is Silver Oak. These lots are significantly smaller, yet the back yards of most of the properties are overlooking the vast open space of a golf course. What these two communities have in common is that they provide recreation and quality of life experiences that can be enjoyed by everyone in Carson City.

If you take a moment and read Section 17.10.005, the purpose of open space development, please keep this in mind - if you have a steep hillside, wetland, or canyonlands, those areas will ALWAYS be protected as Open, Natural, Cultural and Scenic areas because they are unusable! The idea of "creating open space" is to take usable land and creating trails and parks or other amenities that improve the quality of life in the development. Another example: A drainage space is NOT GREENBELT OR OPEN SPACE. At best it's public utility space and it can be in somebody's back yard or in a drainage easement, but PLEASE, IT'S A DRAINAGE DITCH NOT OPEN SPACE OR GREENBELT and it has to be there to allow for any kind of development - it's not an option to create drainage, it's a requirement for public safety that will be there regardless of the development regulations.

Sticking with this thought, Section 17.10.046 is silly. Why are private back yards considered open space? This provision should be removed. Also, Section 2.b should be increased from 100 SF to more like 1,000 square feet. Think about it, a development of 50 homes would have a population of 150 to 200+ people, and the developer only has to provide 5000 square feet of common open space, or an area 70 ft by 70 ft.

Open space should NOT have a three year maintenance plan, because what happens after three years? IT SHOULD BE PERPETUAL and the homeowners of that development need to pay for it, or the developer should set up a funding method for that purpose.

I am also concerned about the minimum setbacks stated under 17.10.030 for properties under 1 acre. Fifteen feet from the street and 10 feet from side is just too minimal, especially if the existing zoning was for parcels larger than ¼ acre.

Last but not least, transferring densities from parcels that are not contiguous, should NOT be allowed. If it is to be included, then extraordinary findings should be made on behalf of the public benefit, before such transfers are allowed.

Again, I apologize for not being able to attend this meeting and I thank you in advance for your consideration.

Kindest regards,

Bob Weise

From: [Mark Gilstrap](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: New Housing Developments in Carson City
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:34:55 AM

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I am writing this letter to express my opposition to the way CCMC 17.10 is being used or interpreted in new Carson City housing developments. The new development between Mountain Street and Ormsby Boulevard is an example.

CCMC 17.10 should be revised with local community input to close the loopholes that allow developers to create smaller lot sizes and increase population density that is not in concert with the surrounding areas.

Only lot sizes under Title 18 should be allowed.

Original zoning of a parcel and lot sizes should be maintained and now allow exceptions to be taken by developers.

Thank you for your consideration of my concerns at the meeting this Friday, March 3, 2023.

John Mark Gilstrap
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From: [Ingrid Gilstrap](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: halt development approval until remove or rewrite CCMC 17.10
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:30:13 AM

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Mar 1, 2023

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Sincerely,

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From: [Marcia Cuccaro](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Slaughterhouse
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 12:17:49 PM

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Just to reiterate my former comments regarding the possibility of allowing a slaughterhouse in the vicinity of Carson City residences and businesses - NO!

There is plenty of land in uninhabited rural Nevada where a slaughterhouse would cause no issues (except to the animals living around it). There is no reason to put such a business near Carson City residents or businesses. Please vote NO - once and forever!

Marcia Cuccaro
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Carson City, NV.

From: [bepsy strasburg](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Public Comment](#); [Planning Department](#)
Subject: Public Comment - March 3rd Special Meeting at WNC
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:38:41 AM

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Hello Board of Supervisors, Planning Commissioners and Planning Department,

It is not fair to the community and property owners to allow developers 100% of density entitlements (Title 17:10) or 110% of entitlements (Title 17:09) when some available land needs to be allocated to infrastructure like roads, retention ponds as a prerequisite to develop the land.

Under CCMC Chapter 18, developers MUST build lots at least to the size permitted in zoning. Long term developers resident in Carson City, value what our city looks like and have built to about 85% of their entitlement because roads, sidewalks, etc. had to be built to support the development. Let interview developers of land which are liked by residents.

Neighbors purchase their homes, their biggest investment of their lives, and expect to see similar houses around them in future developments. If the City's Board of Supervisors want home owners to know the zoning regulations and what exceptions the Planning Department may give to Developers in the future, they need to require disclosures from realtors and the Planning Department in every sale prior to escrow close. Let's talk about this requirement. Don't put the burden on non-professional potential owners.

The City has permitted many projects under Title 17:10 over the last few years. Let do a post mortem of the projects of the implementations of Title 17:10 that the Board has approved. Did the projects turn out to be what was approved in the tentative Plan. Let's look at Andersen Estates and go down the list of each project approved. What variances did the Planning Department Director approve, post Tentative Plan approval by the Board of Supervisors?

Lot size reductions should not be allowed to accommodate density entitlements by inadequate planning and zoning regulations which are incompatible to surrounding neighborhoods and detrimental to property values of existing property owners.

The community requested a workshop to have a collaborative effort with the Planning Director, Planning Commissioners, District Attorney and Board of Supervisors to improve City Ordinances. While the March 3rd meeting is not organized to facilitate an interactive workshop, we continue to ask the City Mayor and Board of Supervisors to allow a workshop type of public hearing before any ordinances are finalized.

Thank you,

Betsy Strasburg

From: akaspuds@charter.net
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Joint Work Session 3/3/23
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 7:42:15 AM

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BOS and PC,

I have been involved in two subject matters, the flat fields at Empire Ranch and the slaughterhouse. My comment in both matters concerns the same item, the Master Plan and Title 18.

1. Flat Fields: At this time this meeting was heard we could not meet in person, it was all call-in. My comments surrounded the items in the Master Plan that offered protection for established neighborhoods. After going over these items one of the commissioners made the comment "thanks for reading us the Master Plan", end of discussion.
2. Slaughterhouse: One of the three people that appealed the PC decision offered up the multiple items in the Master Plan that should have mattered and been considered as to why the location for the slaughterhouse was unacceptable. There was a lot of discussion when the first two people spoke but when the third person spoke concerning the Master Plan there was little or no discussion about the items in the Master Plan.

All of the above is available on video.

I would like to see these two bodies get together and have a discussion as to the significance of the Master Plan when making decisions for special use permits. Title 18 states when making these decisions the Master Plan is to be followed. If that is the case, then how come it seems to be tossed aside when these decisions are being made? In both cases the permits were denied, and, in both cases, it was not due to the protections offered in the Master Plan.

Is the Master Plan a living document or is it just out there to make the city look good? It seems to me it is used as something that is mentioned when it suits a decision maker, but when it applies to a resident it seems to be tossed aside.

As I see the permit process in Title 18 it seems to be adequate and as I see the Master Plan concerning the protections for established neighborhoods it also seems to be adequate. What I do not see is this process being followed or these items considered. When there is opposition to a permit the Master Plan will get mentioned but as soon as the details of the Master Plan are brought up concerning the protections it offers no discussion follows.

Please consider my comments.

Glenn Conant

From: [Taylor Saarem](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Public Comment](#); [Planning Department](#)
Subject: Carson City Code CCMC 17.10 Comments
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 12:18:52 AM

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Taylor Saarem, and I am heartbroken to watch what code CCMC 17.10 is doing to my beautiful home town. I was born and raised right here in Carson City, and three generations of my family have called this place their home. It seems like everywhere you look now, there is a new development in progress. On top of that, developers never seem to have the residents in their best interest when building, and it is only getting worse. I remember almost every day driving to school along Ash Canyon Road and N Ormsby, by the Andersen Ranch, sitting on the edge of my seat wondering what animals I'd see that day. Most days it would be cows and horses, but some days maybe a coyote or a couple deer. Even the empty grass field was a beautiful sight. I remember seeing cows being born and eagles feeding on the scraps. Now I try to avoid driving by because of the sight of crammed together development, knowing someday my children will not be having the same experience I got to have. Code CCMC 17.10 has been used by developers to cram more quantity of units in the same amount of space purely for a bigger profit, and it needs to end.

I ask that this code is removed or rewritten with the collaboration of Carson City residents, as well as not allowing ANY more developments to be approved when this code is involved. This code allows for developers to ignore the original agreed upon zoning, and forces in more units than standard Title 18 codes would approve. Developers should have to build as many homes as the standard building codes under Title 18 allow. Previously agreed upon rules and agreements like original zoning of land and original lot sizes need to be upheld in order to preserve this great town.

I hope you will consider the voices of Carson City residents who have given so much to this great community, and are worried about the rapid unjust development of our home.

Thank you,

Taylor Saarem

From: [Ashley Saarem](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Public Comment](#); [Planning Department](#)
Subject: CCMC 17.10 Dissatisfaction Comments
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:20:22 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Ashley Allen, and I am writing to express my extreme dissatisfaction with how CCMC 17.10 is being applied. My husband, Brett Allen, and I are both third generation Carson City residents, and we are deeply saddened when we drive around town and see what developers are doing to our beloved town. It seems like everywhere you look, more beautiful land is being destroyed by new developments with homes basically stacked on top of each other. This is not what we want for Carson City! We must fight to preserve our beautiful town! Carson City Code CCMC 17.10 has been taken advantage of by developers to increase density and decrease lot sizes. For example, it makes me sick watching the Andersen Ranch being built right now; I can't even bear to look at it when I drive by.

I am asking for your support in removing or rewriting CCMC 17.10 and allowing NO MORE developments to be approved using this part of the Code until it has been fixed. CCMC 17.10 is flawed because it ignores original zoning and severely reduces lot sizes, allows for more houses/units than the standard development codes (Title 18), and gives developers the upper hand with too many loopholes.

Most importantly, I'd like to stress three points:

1. CCMC 17.10 needs to be rewritten or updated using a collaborative workshop with Carson City residents' involvement
2. Developments under 17.10 should only allow for as many homesites that standard building codes under Title 18 would allow
3. Original zoning of a parcel and original lot sizes should mean something, and developers should be required to honor that and keep infill projects compatible with adjoining neighborhoods

I hope you will consider the opinions of the numerous long-time Carson City residents who are concerned about the development of our town and stand up for the future of our beautiful Carson City!

Thank you,

Ashley and Brett Allen

From: [Maddi Saarem](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Planning Department](#); [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Dissatisfaction with how CCMC 17.10 is being applied
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 9:30:08 PM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Maddi, and I have been a citizen of Carson City my whole life. This city has always been my home and will forever be my home as I raise my own children here.

I am writing to you to express my concern as to how 17.10 of the CCMC has recently been applied/manipulated. I believe no more developments should be approved by abusing this section of the code until it has been modified. Any rewriting/modification should be accomplished with Carson City residents' involvement.

Developments under 17.10 should only allow for as many homesites as Title 18 of the standard building code would allow including losses for public utility easements and drainage.

It is unacceptable to not honor original zoning and lot sizes within our community. They were originally designed with the future of our community in mind and should be enforced accordingly. Developers are no exception, and should have to keep infill projects compatible with adjoining neighborhoods.

Thank you for taking the time to read about my dissatisfaction with how CCMC 17.10 is being applied. I hope you will take the residents' opinions to heart and take the necessary steps to stop this from happening.

-Maddi

From: [The Kisers](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Public Comment](#); [Planning Department](#)
Subject: CCMC 17.10
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:43:30 PM

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I am very concerned with the development going on in Carson City. Buildings are being built where they are practically dropped in residence's backyards. Where is the infrastructure to accommodate all these housing units?

Many of the problems stem from the loopholes in CCMC 17.10 which gives developers the upper hand. I strongly believe that 17.10 needs to be updated or rewritten using workshops with residents' help and input. Developments under 17.10 should have to honor zoning and lot sizes to keep infill projects compatible with adjoining neighbors.

The burden is on the people who don't believe they had any input before things were set in place for these developments. I'd like to see Carson City have more compassion and interest in the people who already live here and have had homes here for many years.

Sincerely,

Carrie Lynn Kiser
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Carson City, NV 89706

From: [Tina Leahy](#)
To: [CCEO](#)
Subject: Halt Carson City Development Approval Until CCMC 17.10 Is Either Removed or Revised
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:31:05 PM

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Sincerely,

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Carson City, NV 89703

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Comments regarding CMCC Chapter 17.09 and 17.10
Carolyn Ingbar
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Carson City

March 1, 2023

Changes need to be made to CCMC Title 17 so that it cannot be manipulated by developers to maximize their profits at the expense of the quality of life of the citizens of Carson City. Carson City is growing and there is a need for reasonably priced property in this age of outrageous housing prices. However, that growth needs to be quality development.

Chapter 17.09 which governs Planned Unit Developments and Chapter 17.10 which governs Common Open Space Developments are poorly developed plans which allow for abuse of the good intentions with which they were originally intended. Appropriately developed, planned and open space developments should meet the intentions of the city's master plan and be a positive addition to a community. Unfortunately, in Carson City, the Master Plan is mostly ignored, and developers are using Chapter 17 to maximize development on property and thus reap the greatest profit to the detriment of surrounding neighbors and the city as a whole.

Carson City's Master Plan, an advisory document, was developed at considerable taxpayer expense, and with considerable taxpayer input. Yet it seems that most development that is done in Carson is done with a Special Use Permit allowing deviations from the plan.

For example, Silver Oak Apartments which have been approved for Garth Richards Ave.:

1. There will be 178 units which means there should be 356 parking spaces. The developer will be allowed to provide only 303 spaces. Which will potentially put 53 cars parking on the street. There is not likely to be anywhere for visitors to park – visitors could include care givers and service providers who are vital to health and safety of many individuals.
2. Maximum height for the zone in which the apartments are located is 45 feet. The maximum height for the apartments as shown in the design renderings is 46 feet (Did not one notice this?). One foot may not seem egregious, except that this is a four story apartment complex surrounded by one and two story buildings. Indeed, there is only one other 4 story apartment complex in Carson City. It was by the same contractor who will be building this one. These apartments will be considerably taller than any building in all of north Carson City. Unfortunately, I fear this will set a precedent for more. Do we really want Carson City to start looking like South Reno?!
3. Water main in the area of this apartment complex has insufficient flow to meet fire flow demands. This is in the Silver Oak Apartments documents presented to the Planning Commission on January 25, 2023. If there is a fire in this building, the hydrants will not be adequate.
4. Storm drain will be needed as College Parkway sewer main is at capacity. The developer will pay a portion of the cost of the drain. Taxpayers will pay the rest.
5. GS Richards will need a traffic signal due to increase traffic as a result of 178 living units on the street. The signal will cost \$1,495,980. The developer will contribute only 10% to

the cost of the signal. Taxpayers will pay the rest. I am tired of hearing how growth pays for itself. Perhaps it's time developers paid a larger share.

Another example of abuse of Chapter 17 by a developer is the former Anderson Ranch property west of Mountain Street:

1. The developer was to provide common open space in exchange for being allowed to develop nearly twice as many homes as the surrounding zone would allow. The open space is now detention basins. The green, perimeter pathway around the development is now a 15 foot wide fenced cement corridor. Not exactly the quality open space one would hope for.
2. Chapter 17.09 requires 30% of a project's gross land area be set aside for open space – but 25% of that can be individual yards! As a result, most of the open space in this development will be private property. Not exactly the quality open space one would hope for.
3. Public meetings were held for comment on this development. They were held at the Community Center in order to accommodate the hundreds of people who attended, including myself. Most of the comments were against the development, primarily because it was such a divergence from surrounding zoning. There were safety concerns about the number of homes to be crammed in to a relatively small area, concerns of increase traffic on the streets, adequate fire protection, etc. The Board, which is elected by the voting citizens of Carson City, chose to ignore public opinion and allowed the development.
4. This development is a travesty and never should have been accepted.

It says on the Carson City website that “The Board of Supervisors are responsible for soliciting citizen views in forming these policies and interpreting them to the public.” The people of Carson City elect the Board, they are not appointed by developers. They are elected in good faith by the people who expect them to oversee the development of the City in the best interest of the citizens, which may or may not be in the best interest of developers. However, it seems the Board is more likely to allow anything a developer wants, regardless of the opinions and concerns of the citizens who elected them.

The Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission have an opportunity at the March 3 joint meeting to make modifications to the existing Title 17 so that it works to the benefit of the citizens of Carson City. Make it a document that enforces quality development as it was originally intended to do.

17.10.005 Should allow for variation in lot layout, NOT variation in lot size and density. And only when the geography of the property is not conducive to development under Title 18. This is VERY important to address, as this is where most of the abuse comes from.

17.10.015 Common open space should allow for true, common open space. Private yards should not be considered open space.

17.10.020 Open space should be of decent size. Should not be a detention basin or a 15 foot wide pathway between fences.

17.10.025 The total number of units in a development should not exceed the number allowed by the surrounding zoning. Stop allowing tiny lots which are not similar to surrounding zoning.

12.10.030 There needs to be a limit to how small a lot can be, and it should not be significantly different from surrounding zoning.

17.10.035 Site analysis should determine open space area, but not lot size variations. The road areas need to be subtracted from the total area of a property to be developed. Addition of roads should not allow for reductions in lot size. Roads should not be considered open space.

17.10.046 Private open space is a private yard. This should not be considered open space by a developer. Common open space should be useable by everyone and not be less than 50 feet in any dimension. Nor should detention basins be considered open space. If a developer is proposing a Common Open Space Development, then the open space should be significant.

Please fix Title 17 so we can have quality development that is consistent with surrounding zoning and neighborhoods.

From: [Leo Mankins](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Public Comment](#); [Planning Department](#)
Subject: CCMC 17.10
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 4:26:28 PM

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ATTENTION TO ALL CONCERNED:

My name is Annette Mankins, and I have lived in Carson City since 1962. I know that doesn't mean much to you, but the changes to Carson City these past years make a big difference to a lot of people. I drive around town, and it makes me tear up just seeing what is happening to our town. People are constantly complaining about the recent developments in our city. It seems like it's always after the fact when I see the buildings are going up and the precious land is being turned into a dense community. Buildings are being built where they are practically dropped in residence's backyards. Are people inundating your office with complaints after the fact? Where is the infrastructure to accommodate all these housing units?

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PLEASE REVISE CCMC 17.10!

I'm 79 years old and weather permitting I will attend Friday's meeting! Thank you for your consideration in advance.

Sincerely,

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From: [David Gruenloh](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Landfill Rate Increase
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 3:57:44 PM

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Dear Carson City,

It's understandable that landfill rates eventually need to increase, although it's been understood that Waste Management will still be charged the same amount after all other citizens rates will increase, which is very unfair to all of Carson City, as well as, all the small businesses who are trying to make a living doing junk removal, landscaping, and dumpster rentals.

If you must increase the rates at all, then you should be transparent and fair. Quit trying to pad your own pockets with BS contracts and kickbacks with Waste Management and be the fair and just government the people deserve.

I will do my best to show up in person tomorrow to hear your feedback and express my opinions and ideas. If I am unable to attend, please accept my response and listen to your conscience to what integrity is.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Cheers,
David Gruenloh

From: [Candace Castiglione](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: CCMC 17.10 versus Title 18
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 3:49:56 PM

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Building Codes were enacted for the betterment of the City and Community, and have been used since before I was born... Without telling my age, trust me, that's a very long time ago.

My father was one of the largest home contractors in Northern California, so I am aware that all Contractors who abide by reasonable, and fair-to-all guidelines can make it. They just re-figure their profit margins into the price of the homes, without being too greedy, and in turn build quality which keeps the City(s) from becoming utility inadequate, open space lacking, property investor low rental landlords, and eventually slums.

Carson City is a very desirable city to live in (we have lived here for 22+ years), and the demand for housing here has shown that, so if bad changes are made to an already proven Code, why?

Love our city, respect our community, and continue to build responsibly for ALL. You were elected because those who voted for you were under the assumption that you have the same ideals... Be that person!

Thank you,

Candace Castiglione

Sent from my iPad

From: kww@engineer.com
To: [Rachael Evanson](#)
Cc: [Heather Ferris](#)
Subject: Re: RE: Title 18 and Billboards feedback
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 11:13:49 AM

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Kristoffer Wayne Wickstead, homeowner sat 2708 Gardner Lane, Carson City, NV 89706

Sent using the mobile mail app

On 3/2/23 at 10:31 AM, Rachael Evanson wrote:

> Please submit your full name for the record.

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> Thank you,

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> Rachael Evanson | Office Manager

> Executive Office | Carson City, A Consolidated Municipality

> 201 N. Carson Street, Suite 2, Carson City, NV 89701

> Direct: 775-283-7125 | Office: 775-887-2100 | Fax: 775-887-2286

> <http://www.carson.org>

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Heather Ferris <HFerris@carson.org>

> Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 10:30 AM

> To: Public Comment <PublicComment@carson.org>; Rachael Evanson
<REvanson@carson.org>

> Subject: FW: Title 18 and Billboards feedback

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: kww@engineer.com <kww@engineer.com>

> Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 9:38 AM

> To: Hope Sullivan <HSullivan@carson.org>; Heather Ferris <HFerris@carson.org>

> Subject: Title 18 and Billboards feedback

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> Hi Hope and Heather,

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> For public comment for the title 18 reviews:

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> 1.) billboards should be no closer than 1000 feet from any residences including mobile homes on any sort of zoning. If there's a person living on that property legally, 1000 ft away should be the standard for billboard distance (current billboard on hwy 50 at the mobile home park by CVS is a loophole allowing blight right in someone's window).

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> 2.) would like to see a sunset of billboards within less than 1000 ft of residences currently, due to blight.

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> I hope my comments can make it to the planning and supervisor team.

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> Thanks,

> Kris W.

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> Sent using the mobile mail app

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From: [Frank Porter](#)
To: [CCEO](#); [Planning Department](#); [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Rewrite CCMC 17.10
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 11:08:14 AM

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To The Board of Supervisors, The Planning Commission, and The Building and Code Division,

My wife and I moved to Carson City in January 2021 after losing our home to the 202 California Wildfires. We love it here in Carson City. What really attracted us to the area was the open space surrounding the city while being a City having many of the amenities we were looking for. I am hopeful we can keep the feeling of these ideas while we continue to develop the surrounding areas.

What concerns me at this time are the disappointments I felt when I received a letter expressing the development of an open space for the community which turned into housing instead. I am not sure how this can happen but I have recently been informed that the culprit is the loose fitting and lenient guidelines of Carson City Municipal Code - CCMC 17.10.

I think Carson City deserves more serious consideration when developing new homesites by framing the present code with the input of Carson City residents. We should together decide how Carson City should look, while limiting the number of homes to the standard building codes that Title 18 allows and while maintaining the original zoning of lot size. This will support the look and feel of existing development and allow the continued growth of Carson City within the parameters that have already been codified in the Carson City Code.

I love the sense of open space and the idea of new development in Carson City. I look forward to seeing attractive growth which will enhance our communities and further the interest of new homeowners to the area.

Sincerely, Frank Portera