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Fwd: Review of Growth Management Concepts

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To the Commissioners:

I have seen a marked increase in detrimental building practices in the last 30 years. The very wealthy are investing in real estate here and pouring money into carbon heavy second homes. Often the lots are clear-cut of centuries old aspen groves and leveled like oil well drilling pads. I watched over a series of years when I occasionally commuted over Watson Divide, as one billionaire graded out an entire mountainside for a polo field.

I have heard of others who have continuous propane deliveries to keep outdoor swimming pools heated.

I was appalled to learn that the County still allows second basements in residences. I know because of an ongoing battle between landowners just outside of City limits on Spruce Street. This is particularly bad in a world overcome with climate change and inequality.

One can juxtapose the Balderson's sensitive use of existing landscapes and clever introduction of architectural elements with the crass, ugly and environmentally disasterous new "house" that is going in nearby to know what I mean.

After these monstrosities are built, the rest of us are stuck with their ghastly lighting schemes, noisy heat pumps and the often daily intrusion of armies of landscapers and maintenance people who invariable arrive via diesel truck, use gasoline powered weed eaters, lawn mowers, vacuums, wood chippers, chainsaws, compressors and so on.

It is imperative that local governments risk criticism and backlash to dramatically lessen the impacts of this tragedy.

Thank you.

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