

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I support protecting the Mellenthin Birdhouse apartments from demolition and designating it as an historical cultural monument. I live down the street from the apartments at 5930 Buffalo Ave. I've always considered them a gem and would hate to see them destroyed. In my opinion, we need to embrace the past to understand what we need to do in the future. Tearing down these apartments to build a five-story tall apartment building, that does not fit the neighborhood because all the buildings on this street are no more than 2-stories tall, is the wrong thing to do for the neighborhood and the city. The pictures I have seen of this albatross would tower over other structures and apartment buildings and would also create an on-street parking nightmare. It will destroy a neighborhood that is tranquil and peaceful and create a monstrosity that does not fit the neighborhood. Street parking is already a major issue due to the Oxnard Woodman bus stop (G line). This major bus line stop was created without a thought for public parking, there is zero parking for those getting onto the G-line. The metro patrons that leave their cars on Buffalo, so they can get onto the G line, already make a nightmare for parking on Buffalo Avenue. The residents of this area do not need more apartments built that have little to no parking spaces. I urge Councilmember Nazarian and local government to make the Mellenthin Birdhouse apartments into a historical monument. Please protect the past and move forward in a thoughtful meaningful way without harming the residents, and homeowners, that already live on Buffalo Ave. The residents of 5900 block of Buffalo Ave. will thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Donna Sarullo