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Subject: DSRFY2019-25 - Hearing 8/16/21 @ 6:00 pm
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To whom it may concern,

I strongly object to the previously proposed and approved of Boardwalk Hotel being modified into an 18 story housing structure, and I am very concerned how this will negatively impact current residents of Garden City.

This structure is not compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods and the height alone is appalling and excessive. The 3rd largest building in Idaho does NOT belong in a residential neighborhood and is extreme to say the least. Not to mention the impact that such a large influx of people/residents will have on the area. We do not have the infrastructure to support this project.

The location of this building is not appropriate for the surrounding area and will create many problems for current residents and future residents. High congestion/traffic in the immediate and surrounding areas, overcrowding, and the economic impact regarding overinflated land value, and displacement of the working class in our community. I am not against responsible, carefully considered growth, but that is NOT what this is. This feels like a money grab. I understand that there are many supporters of this development, **but they will not have to live in the shadow of an 18 story TOWER that belongs in an urban setting and not in a residential neighborhood.** This building is going to stick out like a sore thumb. We live in Garden City, Idaho, not Las Vegas. We chose to live here to be close to the river and nature and all that it offers. Not in the shadow of high-rises. Not to be descended upon by nearly 400 apartments and condos in a relatively small footprint.

I also disagree with Mr. Talbott's decision to engage in a classic bait and switch tactic. He effectively ridded himself of a large portion of low-income residents in our neighborhood, got his project approved despite many residents' disapproval, then does an about-face and changes the nature of the development completely, leaving the few of us that are left in the neighborhood to try and express an opposing opinion, albeit an opinion that seems to hold no weight with the City.

Please consider this very carefully as it will have an impact on all of us.

Thank you for your consideration.

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