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Dan Serrano, Chairman
Environmental Planning Commission
Albuquerque Planning Department
600 2nd Street NW, Third floor
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

RE: Project # 2020-003658, SI-00356 & 00357 – Major Amendment - Site Plan for portion of Tracts 1-6 North Andalucia at La Luz Subdivision

Dear Mr. Serrano, and fellow Commissioners,

The newly revised submittal regarding the Antequera/Overture apartments, came last week, and was presented in the staff report as of last Friday. This was Labor Day weekend, a Holiday. No one has had time to review or comment on the new submittal, to meet the deadline for public comments. Therefore, I will resubmit TRNA’s initial July 9th letter stating how important the views are to the nearby residents, to Taylor Ranch and other Westside Communities and anyone who travels down Coors Blvd. The views are a Community asset and are highly valued. They are one of the main reasons the Coors Corridor Sector Plan was created and why there is a Coors View Protection Overlay.

There is no need to compromise on this case. The buildings are too tall and do not comply with the view regulations. The applicant is requesting amendments to increase the density, reduce the parking, and to build a 3 story building that does not comply with the view regulations. The site already has an approved site plan for a 2 story building that meets all the requirements. There should be no more compromise on these requirements. The applicant can build what is already approved for the site. This is a special area of Albuquerque, due to the River and the views. Therefore, there is no need for the community to compromise any further. The proposed site plan should be denied, allowing the applicant to focus on what is required along a significant area such as the Rio Grande Bosque /River.

Thank you,
Rene’ Horvath
TRNA Land Use Director