

REZONING GUIDE

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Zone Map Amendment (Rezoning) - Application

PROPERTY OWNER	RINFORMATION*		PROPERTY C	WNER(S) REPRESENTATIVE**	
☐ CHECK IF POINT O	F CONTACT FOR APPLICATIO	N	CHECK IF P	OINT OF CONTACT FOR APPLICATION	
Property Owner Name	City and County of	Denver	Representative N	ame Brad Buchanan on behalf of Office of Economic Development	
Address	201 W. Colfax A	venue	Address	201 W. Colfax Avenue	
City, State, Zip	Denver, CO 80202		City, State, Zip	Denver, CO 80202	
Telephone			Telephone	Contact: Megan Yonke, 720-913-1605	
Email			Email	megan.yonke@denvergov.org	
*If More Than One Property Owner: All standard zone map amendment applications shall be initiated by all the owners of at least 51% of the total area of the zone lots subject to the rezoning application, or their representatives authorized in writing to do so. See page 3.			**Property owner shall provide a written letter authorizing the representative to act on his/her behalf.		
If the owner is a corporat	r trust, or (c) litle policy or cor e entity, proof of authorization	nmitment date n for an individ	ed no earlier than 60 o	ing the application, such as (a) Assessor's Record, (b) days prior to application date. of the organization is required. This can include ocuments as approved by the City Attorney's Office.	
SUBJECT PROPERT	Y INFORMATION	13 3 20			
Location (address and/or boundary description):		7900	7900 East Colfax Avenue, Denver, CO 80220		
Assessor's Parcel Numbers:		06042	0604202001000		
Area in Acres or Square Feet:		30,500	30,500		
Current Zone District(s):		E-MS-	E-MS-3		
PROPOSAL					
Proposed Zone District:		E-M	S-5		

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REVIEW CRITERIA				
General Review Criteria: The proposal must	Consistency with Adopted Plans: The proposed official map amendment is consistent with the City's adopted plans, or the proposed rezoning is necessary to provide land for a community need that was not anticipated at the time of adoption of the City's Plan. Please provide an attachment describing relevant adopted plans and how proposed map amendment is consistent with those plan recommendations; or, describe how the map amendment is necessary to provide for an unanticipated community need.			
comply with all of the general review criteria DZC Sec. 12.4.10.7	Uniformity of District Regulations and Restrictions: The proposed official map amendment results in regulations and restrictions that are uniform for each kind of building throughout each district having the same classification and bearing the same symbol or designation on the official map, but the regulations in one district may differ from those in other districts.			
	Public Health, Safety and General Welfare: The proposed official map amendment furthers the public health, safety, and general welfare of the City.			
Additional Review Criteria for Non-Legislative Rezonings: The proposal must comply with both of the additional review criteria DZC Sec. 12.4.10.8	Justifying Circumstances - One of the following circumstances exists: ☐ The existing zoning of the land was the result of an error. ☐ The existing zoning of the land was based on a mistake of fact. ☐ The existing zoning of the land failed to take into account the constraints on development created by the natural characteristics of the land, including, but not limited to, steep slopes, floodplain, unstable soils, and inadequate drainage. ☑ Since the date of the approval of the existing Zone District, there has been a change to such a degree that the proposed rezoning is in the public interest. Such change may include: a. Changed or changing conditions in a particular area, or in the city generally; or, b. A City adopted plan; or c. That the City adopted the Denver Zoning Code and the property retained Former Chapter 59 zoning. ☐ It is in the public interest to encourage a departure from the existing zoning through application of supplemental zoning regulations that are consistent with the intent and purpose of, and meet the specific criteria stated in, Article 9, Division 9.4 (Overlay Zone Districts), of this Code. Please provide an attachment describing the justifying circumstance. ☑ The proposed official map amendment is consistent with the description of the applicable neighborhood context, and with the stated purpose and intent of the proposed Zone District. Please provide an attachment describing how the above criterion is met.			
REQUIRED ATTACHM				
*	g required attachments are submitted with this application:			
 Legal Description (required to be attached in Microsoft Word document format) Proof of Ownership Document(s) Review Criteria, as identified above 				
ADDITIONAL ATTAC	HMENTS			
Please identify any addition	nal attachments provided with this application:			
☐ Written Authorization to Represent Property Owner(s) ☐ Individual Authorization to Sign on Behalf of a Corporate Entity				
Please list any additional at	tachments:			
OED request for in	itiation of rezoning application			

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PROPERTY OWNER OR PROPERTY OWNER(S) REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATION/PETITION

We, the undersigned represent that we are the owners of the property described opposite our names, or have the authorization to sign on behalf of the owner as evidenced by a Power of Attorney or other authorization attached, and that we do hereby request initiation of this application. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information supplied with this application is true and accurate. I understand that without such owner consent, the requested official map amendment action cannot lawfully be accomplished.

Property Address City, State, Zip Phone Email	Property Owner In- terest % of the Area of the Zone Lots to Be Rezoned	Please sign below as an indication of your consent to the above certification state- ment	Date	Indicate the type of owner-ship documentation provided: (A) Assessor's record, (B) warranty deed or deed of trust, (C) title policy or commitment, or (D) other as approved	Has the owner au- thorized a represen- tative in writing? (YES/NO)
123 Sesame Street Denver, CO 80202 (303) 555-5555 sample@sample.gov	100%	John Alan Smith Jasie O. Smith	01/01/12	(A)	YES
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Legal description for 7900 E Colfax Ave, Denver, Colorado 80220:

LOTS 1 THROUGH 10, INCLUSIVE, BLOCK 7, EXCEPT THE REAR OR EASTERLY 8 FEET OF SAID LOTS, KENSINGTON, CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, STATE OF COLORADO



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SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED

THIS SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED ("Deed"), made as of this 27th day of April, 2017, by Crosscheck, LLC a Nevada limited liability company, whose address is 1490 W. 121st Avenue, Suite 201, Westminster, CO 80234 ("Grantor") to the CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, a Colorado municipal corporation of the State of Colorado and home rule city, whose address is 1437 Bannock Street, Denver, Colorado 80202 ("Grantee").

WITNESSETH, that the Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$650,000.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged and by these presents does hereby grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm, unto the Grantee, and its successors and assigns forever, the real property described below, together with all improvements thereon, owned by the Grantor situate, lying and being in the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado, and being more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein ("Property");

TOGETHER WITH all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; and all of the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever of the Grantor, either in law or equity, of, in, and to the above-bargained Property, together with the hereditaments and appurtenances;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Property above bargained and described with the appurtenances, unto the Grantee, and its successors and assigns forever. The Grantor, for itself and its successors and assigns does covenant and agree that it shall and will WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND the above-bargained Property in the quiet and peaceable possession of the Grantee, and its successors and assigns, against all and every person or persons claiming the whole or any part thereof, by, through, or under the Grantor.

No separate bill of sale with respect to improvements on the Property will be executed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has executed this Deed on the date set forth above.

State Documentary Fee
Date
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GRANTOR

	Crosscheck, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company
	By: Scott Richter Title: Manager
	By: Steven S. Richter Title: Manager
STATE OF Colorado) () ss. (COUNTY OF DENNER)	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged bef	ore me this 🔀 day of April, 2017
by Scott Richter as Manager of Crosscheck, LLC	, a Nevada limited liability company
Witness my hand and official seal. My commission expires: DEBORAH A. BRAUN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID # 20064013720 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 03, 2018	Weborah a. Brand Notary Public
STATE OF)	
COUNTY OF) ss.	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged bef by Steven S. Richter as Manager of Crosscheck,	
by blotter by indicate the interest of or	
Witness my hand and official seal. My commission expires:	
	Notary Public

GRANTOR

By: Scott Richter
Title: Manager

Crosscheck, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company

Countersigned

		By: Steven S. Richter Title: Manager
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EXHIBIT A

LOTS 1 THROUGH 10, INCLUSIVE, BLOCK 7, EXCEPT THE REAR OR EASTERLY 8 FEET OF SAID LOTS, KENSINGTON, CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, STATE OF COLORADO.



City and County of Denver Agency or Department Request for Rezoning

June 19, 2018

Dear CPD Executive Director:

I am writing to request the initiation of an official map amendment on behalf of the Denver Office of Economic Development to rezone 7900 East Colfax from E-MS-3 to E-MS-5. The property's current use is vacant. The parcel was recently purchased by the City and County of Denver.

This rezoning is requested to support development of affordable housing on the subject parcel. The need for affordable housing in this area reflects goals stated in the Housing an Inclusive Denver Five-Year Plan and has been documented as desired by surrounding communities per feedback in a meeting with the East Colfax Neighborhood Association in February 2018, as well as in engagement from August through November 2017 associated with development of the East Area Plan. To accommodate this objective, an RFP will be issued to dispose of the properties to a qualified developer. Greater density on the parcel would facilitate proposals from more qualified applicants. Further, the location of this property one-tenth mile away from the proposed bus rapid transit (BRT) station at Uinta and Colfax makes it an ideal location for additional density.

Please contact Megan Yonke, Housing Development Officer at megan.yonke@denvergov.org if there are any questions or additional clarification is required. If this person becomes unavailable, I will designate another individual as a point-of-contact for this application.

Sincerely,

Eric Hiraga

Executive Director

Office of Economic Development

City and County of Denver

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BACKGROUND

The City and County of Denver acquired the subject parcel in 2017 for the purposes of developing affordable housing, consistent with the goals of the recently adopted Housing an Inclusive Denver Plan. The need for increased affordable housing opportunities in the city is urgent, with approximately 100,000 households experiencing housing cost burden. Further, the desire for affordable housing in this area has been documented as desired by the surrounding community per feedback in a meeting with the East Colfax Neighborhood Association in February 2018, as well as in engagement from August through November 2017 associated with the ongoing development of the East Area Plan. To accommodate this objective, a Request for Proposal will be issued to dispose of the properties to a qualified developer. Greater density on the parcel would facilitate proposals from more qualified applicants and accommodate additional units to better meet the City's goals. Further, the location of this property one-tenth mile away from the proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) station at Uinta and Colfax makes it an ideal location for additional density. The proposed project would offer residents access to affordable, active, transit-oriented living in an area that is likely to experience significant redevelopment in the coming years. Affordable housing is a key element of the infrastructure that supports the welfare of Denver residents.

REZONING CRITERIA

Consistency with Adopted Plans

There are four adopted plans that provide guidance for this area: **Denver Comprehensive Plan** (2000), **Blueprint Denver** (2002), **Housing an Inclusive Denver** (2018), and **East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan** (1994).

Denver Comprehensive Plan 2000

The proposed rezoning is consistent with several objectives and strategies in Denver Comprehensive Plan 2000, including:

- Land Use Strategy 3-B: Encourage quality infill development that is consistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood; that offers opportunities for increased density and more amenities; and that broadens the variety of compatible uses. (60)
- Land Use Strategy 4-A: Encourage mixed-use, transit-oriented development that makes
 effective use of existing transportation infrastructure, supports transit stations, increases
 transit patronage, reduces impact on the environment, and encourages vibrant urban
 centers and neighborhoods. (60)
- Mobility Strategy 4-E: Continue to promote mixed-use development, which enables people to live near work, retail, and services. (78)
- Economic Activity Strategy 4-B: Enhance existing business centers and establish new business centers in a matter that offers a variety of high-quality uses that support Denver's business environment, complements neighboring residential areas, generates public revenue, and create jobs. Consider the following key strategies as top priorities...Continue to strengthen and, where necessary, revitalize Denver's commercial corridors, such as East and West Colfax..." (135)
- Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2-F: Conserve land by: promoting infill development
 with Denver at sites where services and infrastructure are already in place; designing mixed
 use communities and reducing sprawl so that residents can live, work and play within their
 own neighborhoods; creating more density at transit nodes. (39)

This proposed zoned district supports Comprehensive Plan 2000 by encouraging mixed-use development at an infill site that would leverage both existing bus service and planned BRT. The increase in height from the existing zone district will facilitate additional density at a transit node, enabling more housing and amenities.

Blueprint Denver (2002)

Blueprint Denver identifies this area with the future land use classification of Commercial Corridor. Commercial Corridors are described as "linear business districts primarily oriented to heavily used arterial streets" (45). In addition, Blueprint Denver identifies this area as an Area of Change. An Area of Change is meant to "channel growth where it will be beneficial and can best improve access to jobs, housing and services with fewer and shorter auto trips" (127). The Blueprint Denver description of Areas of Change notes that "as steps are taken to [...] redevelop these areas, a high priority will be providing housing for existing residents," and that "the City must be careful to encourage the retention of low-income residents" (127). Providing guidance for the area of Colfax Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Yosemite specifically, the plan recommends the introduction of mixed-uses along the major bus corridor (140).

Blueprint Denver also identifies Colfax Avenue as an Enhanced Bus Transit Corridor (99). The plan encourages development of "more intensive, mixed-use development surrounding stations and along transit corridors," specifying bus rapid transit (26). Finally, the plan states that "focusing development around rail stations reduces vehicle trips and creates less pollution than other types of development that strictly rely on the automobile" (46).

Colfax Avenue is identified in Blueprint Denver as a Mixed-Use Arterial, and Trenton Street is identified as an Undesignated Local. Blueprint Denver describes arterials as streets "designed to provide a high degree of mobility generally serve longer vehicle trips" (51). The mixed-use designation indicates a variety of travel choices and high-intensity mixed use areas with substantial pedestrian activity (57). Local Streets are intended for local access and short trips (50).

All this detail lends support for mixed uses and greater density on the subject site, which is located on the high-frequency 15 and 15L bus corridor and one-tenth mile away from the proposed BRT station at Uinta and Colfax. Therefore, the proposed E-MS-5 district is consistent with Blueprint Denver.

Housing and Inclusive Denver (2018)

The Housing an Inclusive Denver Plan calls for the City to "leverage publicly owned land for affordable housing development" (8). The additional height in the E-MS-5 district will offer an opportunity to deliver a larger number of housing units than could be achieved in the existing 3-story district, therefore furthering the housing plan's goal of leveraging publicly owned land. A core goal of the Plan is also to create affordable housing in vulnerable areas and in areas of opportunity that have strong amenities such as transit (56). The proposed E-MS-5 district facilitates the development of additional housing in a neighborhood that is considered vulnerable and also has rich transit access.

East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan (1994)

The East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan envisions an improved Colfax Avenue with more business opportunities and reinvestment (28, 45). The plan refers to Colfax as the "main street of the Denver metropolitan region... a major transportation corridor between Aurora, Denver, and Lakewood. Commercial land uses abut the corridor along its entire length. These businesses serve

both the metropolitan region and immediate neighborhood" (33). The plan recommends pedestrian-friendly redevelopment at Colfax Avenue intersections with buildings at the street and parking behind (18). The plan does not provide guidance for building heights along Colfax Avenue. The plan refers to Uinta as one of four "special intersections" along the studied stretch of East Colfax. Uinta Street lies just two blocks to the east of the subject parcel. The plan refers to the intersection of Uinta and East Colfax as a "more locally oriented retail area which should be built upon as it redevelops" (15). The plan anticipated growth in residential in this area as a result of development of surrounding Stapleton and Lowry neighborhoods and sought replacement customers for the lost Air Force Base and Airport (33, 46). A main goal of the plan was to encourage pedestrian travel between residences and destinations to "reduce automobile use, improve air quality, promote a sense of neighborliness and encourage physical fitness" (41). The proposed E-MS-5 district is consistent with the East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan as the district will foster pedestrian-friendly design and a mix of commercial and residential uses as envisioned in the plan. Developing in greater height than would be allowed in the current 3-story district will provide for additional density of residential and commercial uses to meet the plan's goals.

Uniformity of District Regulations and Restrictions

The proposed change results in regulations and restrictions that are uniform for each kind of building through each district having the same classification. This request seeks to rezone the property into the E-MS-5 Zone District with no waivers or conditions. This will result in regulations and restrictions that are uniform throughout the E-MS-5 Zone District.

Public Health, Safety, and General Welfare

The proposed rezoning furthers the public health, safety, and general welfare of the City by furthering adopted plans. The rezoning would facilitate the redevelopment of the site with additional housing and commercial uses in a pedestrian-friendly environment along a major transit corridor.

Justifying Circumstances - Changed or Changing Conditions

The rezoning is justified under DZC Section 12.4.10.8.A.4, "Since the date of the approval of the existing Zone District, there has been a change to such a degree that the proposed rezoning is in the public interest. Such change may include: a. Changed or changing conditions in a particular area, or in the city generally; or, b. A City adopted plan; or c. That the City adopted the Denver Zoning Code and the property retained Former Chapter 59 zoning."

The existing zoning for this site has been in place since 2010. Several changed and changing conditions on the site, the surrounding area, and in the city generally warrant the requested change from a 3-story district to a 5-story district. The site, which was formerly occupied by a bar, is currently vacant and was acquired by the City and County of Denver in 2017 for the purposes of developing affordable housing. In recent years, the city has faced an increasing demand for housing and the need for affordable housing opportunities, in particular, is urgent with approximately 100,000 households in the city experiencing housing cost burdens. The 5-story district would provide an opportunity for more housing than would be possible in a 3-story district. Since 2010, the City has also seen additional growth in the job centers located along the 15 and 15L transit corridor, including in Downtown and at the Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora. The 5-story district would facilitate additional housing along the transit corridor, providing more people the opportunity to live in areas with easy transit access to job centers. The East Colfax neighborhood's population has increased and some recent investment in alterations and additions to the housing stock has been

made. Further, a number of new residences have been built in the southern portion of Stapleton about a half mile from the subject site. The new housing and residents provide a potential customer base for additional businesses on Colfax Avenue. Less than a half mile from the site, a five-story mixed use building, Phoenix on the Fax, was completed in 2011. The building includes affordable housing and ground floor commercial, demonstrating the mixed-use character and increased housing opportunities envisioned by the adopted plans that would be facilitated through the proposed rezoning to E-MS-5. Further, additional investment is planned for this area, including a new north-south bike lane on Syracuse Street two blocks west of the subject site and the bus rapid transit project that received funding through the 2017 General Obligation Bond. Slightly denser development allowing for ground floor commercial would enhance the pedestrian and transit user experience in this area.

Lastly, the recently adopted plan Housing an Inclusive Denver recommends leveraging public land and creating affordable housing in vulnerable areas and in areas of opportunity that have strong amenities such as transit. The proposed 5-story zone district would support this plan by facilitating more housing than the current 3-story district.

Consistency with Neighborhood Context, Zone District Purpose and Intent

The proposed zone district is consistent with the neighborhood context description and with the zone district purpose and intent. The Urban Edge neighborhood context is characterized by a mix of elements from both the Urban and Suburban Neighborhood contexts and is primarily single- and two-unit residential uses, as is typical of the neighborhoods surrounding Colfax Avenue in this area. Main Street zone districts are intended to promote safe, active, and pedestrian-scaled commercial streets through the use of building forms that clearly define and activate the public street edge. A five-story mixed use district, along with an activated first floor, will provide a high degree of walkability and pedestrian activity. The parcel's current E-MS-3 zone district is intended to apply primarily to local or collector streets, while the proposed E-MS-5 zone district is intended to apply primarily to collector or arterial street corridors. Blueprint Denver identifies East Colfax Avenue as a Mixed-Use Arterial street, making E-MS-5 zoning appropriate in this location. In addition, the proposed zone district is one block west of an existing node of E-MS-5 zoning along the south side of Colfax Avenue between Tamarac Street and Valentia Street. The E-MS-5 zone district requires upper story setbacks above 27' and 51' adjacent to protected districts. This will ensure an appropriate transition to the adjacent E-TU-B district to the south and east of the site.

CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, COLORADO REGISTERED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION POSITION STATEMENT

Following a vote of the Registered Neighborhood Organization, please complete this form and email to rezoning@denvergov.org. You may save the form in *,pdf format if needed for future reference. Questions may be directed to planning staff at rezoning@denvergov.org or by telephone at 720-865-2974,

Application Number			2018I-00091			
Location			7900 E Colfax Avenue			
Registered Neighborhood Organization Name		Organization Name	East Colfax Neighborhood Association			
Registered Contact Name			Thomas Fesing			
Contact Address			1245 Valentia Street, Denver, CO 80220			
Contact E-Mail Address			EastColfaxNeighborhood@gmail.com			
Date Submitted			September 19, 2018			
As require	ed by I	DRMC §	12-96, a meeting of	the above-referenced Registered Neighborhood Organization		
was held	was held on September 18, 2018 , w		per 18, 2018	, with 13 members in attendance.		
With a tot	h a total of 13 members voting,			rs voting,		
voted to support (o			voted to support (or to not oppose) the application;		
	2 voted to oppose the			ne application; and		
	0 voted to abstain on the issue.			n the issue.		
It is therefore resolved, with a total of 11 members voting in aggregate:						
The position of the above-referenced Registered Neighborhood Organization is that Denver City Council						
approve Application # 2018I-00091			Application # 2018I-00091 .			
Comments:						
:						



Attention: Community Planning and Development
Re: RNO Position Statement for 7900 East Colfax

Date: September 18, 2018

The Fax Partnership ("The Fax") is excited to support a rezoning for 7900 East Colfax. The Fax is a Colfax-based nonprofit working to transform East Colfax from a low-density retail corridor to a dense and affordable housing transit oriented corridor that celebrates the diversity of this important street. Since 2004, The Fax has promoted local business investment, created a Business Improvement District and engaged East Denver residents to strengthen the East Colfax corridor. In anticipation of the City of Denver's Bus Rapid Transit project, The Fax has been focused on the redevelopment of affordable housing in order to preserve East Colfax as a diverse community welcome to all incomes and cultures.

The Fax enthusiastically supports changing the zoning for the parcel at 7900 East Colfax from Main Street-3 to Main Street-5. MS-3 zoning does not facilitate the development of new construction, affordable housing. As evidence of this is the Phoenix on the Fax project, located at 7101 E. Colfax. This multi-family affordable housing project is located in the MS-5 zoned portion of East Colfax. No projects of this type have been constructed in the MS-3 portions of the street, making MS-3 zoning inappropriate for a high-frequency corridor like Colfax. To achieve The Fax's vision for a dense, walkable and affordable corridor The Fax believes converting MS-3 parcels to higher density is essential for transforming the East Colfax corridor.

The Fax looks forward to partnering with the City of Denver and the East Colfax neighborhood to create a walkable, affordable community that leverages the BRT investment and MS-5 zoning will help make that a reality.

Sincerely,

Monica Martinez Executive Director Fax Partnership From: Vanessa Frank

To: Weigle, Elizabeth K. - CPD PS Neighborhood Planning

Subject: Letter concerning 7900 E Colfax Rezone

Date: Friday, September 21, 2018 9:05:13 AM

Hello,

I would like this included in the planning hearing for 7900 East Colfax:

To whom it does concern,

I am writing in response to the rezoning of 7900 E Colfax Ave, from E-MS-3 to E-MS-5. I live right next to this vacant lot, and while it would be nice to see something built at this location, I do not support a five (5) story structure. I garden in my yard and a five (5) story building is going to take away many hours of afternoon sun that I rely on for my garden. It is also going to take away my view of sunsets. I am very saddened by the city's decision to change this from a three (3) story zoning, which matches the current neighborhood more, than a five (5) story building. I know the East Colfax Neighborhood Association will be writing a letter in support of the rezoning, but I do not agree. I also believe the City has done a poor job of getting information about this out to the neighborhood. Dates for this process have been nearly secretive and even looking online I see that most of the important dates are omitted:

Application: <u>July 9, 2018 (PDF)</u>

- Planning Board public hearing: TBD
- Land Use, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee public meeting: TBD
- City Council public hearing: TBD

I don't feel that the neighborhood, those living within a few blocks of the site and not just the neighborhood association, has had time to think about this or that they have had adequate information to make informed decisions or to reach out to the planning board.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this letter as part of your decision process.

Vanessa Frank

Resident of 1447 Tamarac Street.