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Subject:

## Mayor and Council Members,

I am writing in opposition to the proposed demolition and huge construction on our 25th Avenue shopping area. It is shocking that this has been pushed along with little or no discussion with the property owners in the neighborhood, and, I assume, no regard for the displacement of current business owners. As a 27 year resident of the neighborhood I frequent several of the businesses on 25th Avenue, which I doubt would be able to buy back into such a monolith. There must be other solutions than the ugly "mixed use" building being replicated everywhere. Choose a few of the addresses and build truly affordable apartments a few stories high - save the parking and atmosphere of our street that really does speak to quality of life in San Mateo.

Thank you, Lesley McCreath