



July 19, 2023

Re: Devonwood Apartments

Mr. McBride,

This letter is addressing the request to remove the patio and balcony as proposed during the entitlement process. There are two major reasons for the removal request such as the cost burden and design complications associated with the proposed patio/balconies which will have a significant impact on structural design, material cost, waterproofing, and long-term maintenance, and the noise pollution related to the nearby train tracks.

As part of the NEPA approval process, we commissioned an acoustic study to determine the noise pollution related to the railroad. The report concluded that the exterior noise level is 75 DNL, which indicates an above-average noise pollution level. This level of noise pollution will not support the use of outdoor patios/balconies.

As a result, we kindly request the city grants the removal request bases on the above prohibitive challenges. We believe the removal of the patio and balconies will best serve the project and residents in terms of financial and utilization terms.

We greatly appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to your guidance and support. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Rastegar". The signature is stylized with large, sweeping loops and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jason Rastegar
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