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To the State Planning Commission,

I have some strong objections to the new code. The existing rules and regulations have worked well and kept the Burnside council area an extremely nice suburb to live in. The reason prices are high in this area is because there are no new commercial uses allowed. You think this would be obvious to the planners who wrote the new code. The old regulation lead to less traffic, less noise, more trees, more space, less double stories and therefore less over viewing. This is what people want in their suburb. Your new code puts this at risk!

Specifically, I strongly object to changes to the heritage area. Houses in this area will now be re-assessed as historic/not historic in each new development. THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN ASSESSED AND RECORDED! Why waste time and money when the existing regulations work well? The new code will be far worse for the house owners. It does not make sense!

The next objection concerns the reduction in building setbacks from the neighbour and road. The existing code ensures we are not living "on top of one another". To "rub salt in the wound", the neighbours don't have to be notified about new developments and can't object anyway. Then there is the local infrastructure that will be under stress with more intensity of development. Finally, if this new code is introduced it will inevitably lead to less tree cover. The developer's may not believe in Climate Change but the majority of people do, so less trees is a big issue.

The letter I received from the State Planning Commission did not say what changes were being made to the planning code. It said log on to [www.saplanningportal.sa.gov.au](http://www.saplanningportal.sa.gov.au) They would know that 99.0% of people are too busy to do this. Then there's the short period of time to comment. If ever there was a "red flag" that someone was trying to push through some hidden agenda..... This is it! I did log onto the site. What a lot of gobble d gook! Donald Trump would be proud of it. Is this what you call public consultation? I don't think so! This is total misinformation! It's so complicated it is very difficult to find what the changes are. It's all rhetoric! It might as well say "Make the planning code great again!" All the rules and regulation are there at the moment and work. They don't need to be changed. Someone's getting a lot of money for this with no real benefit to the public. Maybe the developers will benefit from the changes. I have not seen any benefit to the house owners or the public, that the old rules and regulations wouldn't do. I would not vote for any politician or councillors from either side that vote for this. Don't waste any more public money.

Yours sincerely

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