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During the Planning Commission on 3 July, I suggested a change to the procedures currently in place. It appears to me that certain individuals are taking advantage of the lack of consequences to filing, and re-filing proposals which have been acted upon by the Planning Commission and the City Council.

Although not an expert in the planning world, I am an expert in paying taxes. What I see is that certain individuals are using my tax money, **with impunity**, to overwhelm any disapproval of their requests by continued persistence and obstinance.

I would not presume to offer a specific procedure to an expert in the field, but from my research, there appears to be several options or combination of options. There could be financial obligations incurred if a proposal, which had been disapproved, was resubmitted. There could be time frames placed on resubmittals, i.e. six months to twelve months. Or a combination of the two could be designed.

There should also be a system where the person requesting approval for action (which had already been disapproved) by the council, would be required to notify all interested parties of any new request for the same property. Under the present system items can be slipped through the system without citizens knowing they are under consideration again.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this action.


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