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Hi. I am unable to attend the El Paso County Planning Commission meeting this morning, so I am submitting comment via email. Although I live in Palmer Lake, CO, this development has an impact not only on Monument, but also surrounding areas, such as Palmer Lake.

Firstly, I would like to share my strident disapproval of this development.

Secondly, the justifications for this objection are:

**Light Pollution:**

The inevitable light pollution that will come with such a development has been shown to adversely impact wildlife, birds, migration patterns, and more.

**Destruction of Natural Habitat:**

In addition to light pollution is the destruction of natural habitat. Adding more homes, which are frequently surrounded by fencing, creates physical barriers to the migration / free movement of wildlife.

**Increased Vehicular-Wildlife Accidents and Deaths:**

Additional vehicular traffic, both during construction and after, will also increase the incidents of vehicular-wildlife accidents and deaths to wildlife and birds.

**Visual Blight Resulting in Degradation of Property Values**

In addition, the high density housing development will create visual blight affecting neighbors' property values.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or clarifications. Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,

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