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Dear Planning Commission,

I am Sana Abbott, Councilmember of the Town of Monument.

The potential annexation of Monument Ridge East was brought to our Council meeting last July of 2023 and it was declined. The council approved Resolution No. 41-2024 – A Resolution of the Town of Monument Protesting the Rezoning of Monument Ridge East in El Pas County, CO. The property owner attended our council meeting in July of 2023, but the council did not approve their annexation due to many concerns. The council felt the project did not meet the Town of Monuments Comprehensive Plan or the future land use map. Along with those issues, a negotiation could not be met to adjust the densities nor were they willing to protect the mature trees in the area. They would not even entertain changing the zoning into a PUD zone district.

The Town of Monument does not have the infrastructure to support this annexation as it would inevitably fall to the town's police and other services.

I would appreciate the consideration of the commission to understand how having this type of rezoning and annexation would affect all of the Tri Lakes region, destroying the beautiful entrance to our area. I moved to Monument in 2005 because I fell in love with the small town feel and how it was tucked away. Bringing a development like this, with this density, will simply destroy the charm of this area. It will also destroy the adjacent property owner's enjoyment of where they have lived their whole lives. The property

owners of Monument Ridge East knew they were taking a risk in the purchase of this property. Their ownership does not guarantee their right to change it so drastically that only one party (the owners) are satisfied. I urge you to come to some kind of negotiation that does not destroy the beautiful area or create an infrastructure that depletes the town and negatively affects the surrounding areas with light and noise pollution.

I know you've received many letters of disapproval. And I hope you've had a chance to read them all, especially the ones from the local neighbors in that area.

I appreciate your time and consideration,

Sana Abbott