

To: citycouncil@cityofsanmarino.org

Subject: **Public Comment on Agenda Item 16, Wednesday, May 13 meeting.**

Hello, San Marino City Council members,

My name is Dean Hutter. I understand the agenda item 16, "Appeal of Design Review", 1400 Circle Drive, is to be considered on Wednesday, May 13. Rather than calling it a "Design Review," I'd call it a demolition of my family home.

I'd ask that each Council member read this email before the May 13 meeting, as well as read aloud in the session. I live out of state, and am unable to attend the meeting in person.

This cherished home in the neighborhood was my family home. Over the decades, the home on Circle Drive has been admired for its beauty and historical value to our street, as well as the throughout the entire city of San Marino.

I can't tell you how many of our relatives, friends and visitors, those that lived in the community, as well as those that visited our home from across Southern California and the country, loved hearing the stories of its history. The chronology and long history of the home and its' owners (dating back to the 1930s) hung framed in our living room.

My sister was married in the home. My parents celebrated anniversaries in the home. We laughed and cried in the home. We held countless birthdays in the home. We celebrated graduations in the home. We hosted neighborhood celebrations. My father passed away in the home.

You may or may not be aware of my father. James Hutter proudly served on both the City Council and served as the Planning Commission President for decades. I often wonder what he would think of the proposal to demolish his home. It provided for our family and is one the many beautiful historic homes in our community. It has helped to set the city of San Marino apart across all of Southern California.

For the only two remaining Hutters still living (my brother Karl and myself), we'd ask that this proposal for demolition to be reconsidered.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Dean Hutter