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To: UHCC Planning

**Subject:** Submission Concerning Proposed Lot Size Changes CP 50

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Declaration I do not stand to gain commercial advantage from my submission

Statement I wish to be heard in support of my submission

Dear Council representative,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the proposed reduction in lot size to 1 hectare within our community. Several crucial issues need careful consideration before implementing such a significant change.

## 1. Traffic Congestion:

The current traffic situation, particularly during peak hours, is already a cause for concern. Reducing lot sizes may exacerbate this problem, leading to increased congestion and potential safety hazards on our roads.

## 2. Highway Safety and Accidents:

Given the existing rate of accidents on State Highway Two, including casualties, it is essential to assess how the proposed changes might impact road safety. Increased residential density could contribute to a higher risk of accidents.

### 3. Water Availability and Runoff:

The potential strain on water resources and the impact on runoff drains from additional houses must be thoroughly evaluated. Ensuring sustainable water usage and preventing adverse environmental effects is crucial for the well-being of our community.

#### 4. Sewage Management:

The document lacks clarity on how sewage from the expanded housing will be effectively managed. Adequate infrastructure must be in place to handle increased demands on sewage systems to avoid environmental contamination.

#### 5. Public Transportation:

The proposal appears to overlook the current lack of comprehensive public transportation options in our area. A holistic approach should consider the increased demand for transportation services resulting from higher residential density.

### 6. Community Consultation:

Concerns arise regarding the apparent lack of consultation with local residents. It is imperative to involve the community in decision-making processes to ensure that their perspectives and needs are adequately

addressed.

# 7. Document Clarity:

The confusion in the proposal document raises questions about the transparency of the decision-making process. A clear and comprehensible document is crucial for residents to fully understand the implications of the proposed changes.

I urge the council to reconsider and address these concerns before moving forward with any changes to lot sizes. A collaborative and well-informed decision-making process is vital for the long-term prosperity and harmony of our community Sincerely
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