

Ms. Charlotte Bridges
City of Mesa Planning Division
March 19, 2020

Ms. Bridges,

Thank you for taking the time to listen to me, I know you are not looking at who will own or occupy the structures only if they fit the land use for the zoning. It blatantly ignores the wishes of those who live in this area. However, the group wanting to develop that corner is Foster Arizona and put unsupervised 18-year-old boys there. They have, after the public meeting, quietly bought a duplex at 558 South Pioneer and forced their plans on our neighborhood.

I am opposed to any additional facility to house for aged out foster children and/or those who are court ordered to half-way houses in this area. We already have two half-way houses and the one for Foster Arizona on Pioneer between Broadway and Franklin Avenue. Further, after the Foster Arizona group placed the young men in the duplex at 558 South Pioneer, one of them asked me for money. I feel that adding nine more units will only cause more of the families to move to some other part of the valley. We already have people wandering around in our neighborhood that we don't know and we do not need more.

The proposed buildings are two stories and one of the concerns voiced at the public was the lack of privacy for adjoining properties. The one suggestion given at the meeting was to make them one story. I am personally opposed to the Broadway Road accesses point being in the close proximity to Pioneer Street.

It is very obvious the suggestions and concerns voiced at the public meeting last year fell on deaf ears and they only had the meeting to fill the requirement. With the COVID-19 the meetings planned on April 1st and 8th, people will not attend, as most are older, and Foster Arizona will once again force another unwanted facility on our street.

Sincerely,

Burt Neptune