

December 23, 2019

Nick Green
City Manager
City of John Day
450 E. Main Street
John Day, OR 97845

Re: CUP 19-03, Steve and Kathy Smart, 212 NW Valley View Drive

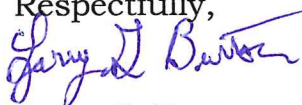
Dear Nick,

My wife and I own the property just west of the property in question and we are very much in opposition to the city allowing the set restrictions to be lifted. We believe that if this is allowed we will lose the scenic views to the direct east of us.

When this property was subdivided back in the 1990s, the lots were promoted as premium scenic view lots that brought many interested buyers. This is the precise reason we purchased our property, with the dream to one day build our own home with panoramic views.

The reason the city has established restrictions regarding size, height and building type is to maintain the quality of the subdivision as was originally designed. By allowing one homeowner to exceed these restrictions is a slippery slope and will, in no doubt, bring other current and future property owners in with similar requests.

We urgently request that you vote to not approve the Condition Use Permit as requested by Steve and Kathy Smartt.

Respectfully,

Larry G. Burton