

Dear Grace,

This email is in response to a public notice of application I received for a new house being built at 3036 67th Ave Se.

I am most concerned about the size of the house and paved surfaces and just want to make sure they fall within what is allowed for the lot. I would object to any additional sf or lot line adjustment beyond standard regulations. Too many of the new houses just look way out of scale for their lots. According to the Site Development forms it looks like it falls within the percentages, but I did not take the time to cross reference their purposed figures with their plans of the site, etc. I assume that is what your office does.

I also hope you take note of where on the site new trees will be planted as it concerns their neighbors. Not many people, city building inspectors and some landscapers, always take into consideration that a new immature tree, such as an evergreen, grows into a giant evergreen that soon grows over into other people's yards if planted too close to property lines. Worst of all being the giant roots that soon push out of the ground and destroy other people's patios, walkways, fences and such.

The other thing that we have problems with on both sides of our property is shifting and eroding land. This is because of new houses changing land elevations and not erecting solid enough retaining walls. I think I saw a retaining rock wall on this house plan and hope special attention is paid to its ability to withstand years of settling.

Best Regards,
Linda Scalzo

Scalzo Public Comment Response

Linda Scalzo is concerned with the replacement trees. If the city wanted to modify what we plan, I wouldn't object, but it seems they are happy with what is shown.