

WHY "STORY POLES" ARE NEEDED FOR THE SRC EXPANSION PLANS

This is a summary of the few, of the many, significant reasons Story Poles are a critical method, and a succinct way, to view the effects of the proposed SRC build-out plan, by the City of Saratoga, its Residents and the SRC Residents:

1. Story Poles present the plans in real space proportions and dimensions, vs. computerized story tales, which can be a biased view of the build plan.
2. Citizens of Saratoga, and all, can get a best spatial visualization of the proposed plan, the location, the impact on environment, and negative effect on the residents, the environment, and neighbors.
3. Computerized creations cannot readily be accessed by all interested Saratoga city residents, as they may not possess the equipment, the know-how, the information needed, to on their own, view the videos, etc.
4. Computerized creations do not present the **NOW vs. THEN** comparisons, as for instance the grand, mature, precious **trees**, which are on locations, and will be removed to accommodate the proposed new structures and new roads, are not in a "futures" video presentation.
5. The real impact on residents cannot be fully comprehended by viewing a video vs. visiting the location, understanding its use, comprehending its implications, and the violations of the environment.
6. Computerized presentation can be slanted and biased, and thus ambiguous to the viewers, with potentially major future impact on the residents.
7. The pretext for not installing Story Poles, that implied that poles would have to be located in the middle of streets, in parking lots, etc., and would inhibit access to ambulances, fire trucks, etc. has been debunked, see attached maps.

For the above reason, as well as several others, this real time, real place, method for viewing and comprehending the whole of the construction proposal, MUST be fully demonstrated in the real environment.

PRS has given several reasons for exemption for story poles. Their reasons are:

- a) The project is large scale unlike a residential construction project
- b) The poles will interfere with traffic and normal operations
- c) The poles and netting will inhibit ambulance traffic.

To answer PRS' concern #a: we see some examples of story poles for big structures, much larger than Saratoga Retirement community and on the hill side

THE STORY POLES

*******LOS GATOS PLANNING DEMANDED STORY POLES FOR THE MEADOWS RETIREMENT COMMUNITY IN 2021*******

+++++++SARATOGA PLANNING SHOULD DEMAND STORY POLES FOR THE SARATOGA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY ++++++

~~~~~ PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW COMPUTERIZED VISUALIZATION AS A SUBSTITUTE – LET SARATOGANS SEE THE REAL STORY~~~~~

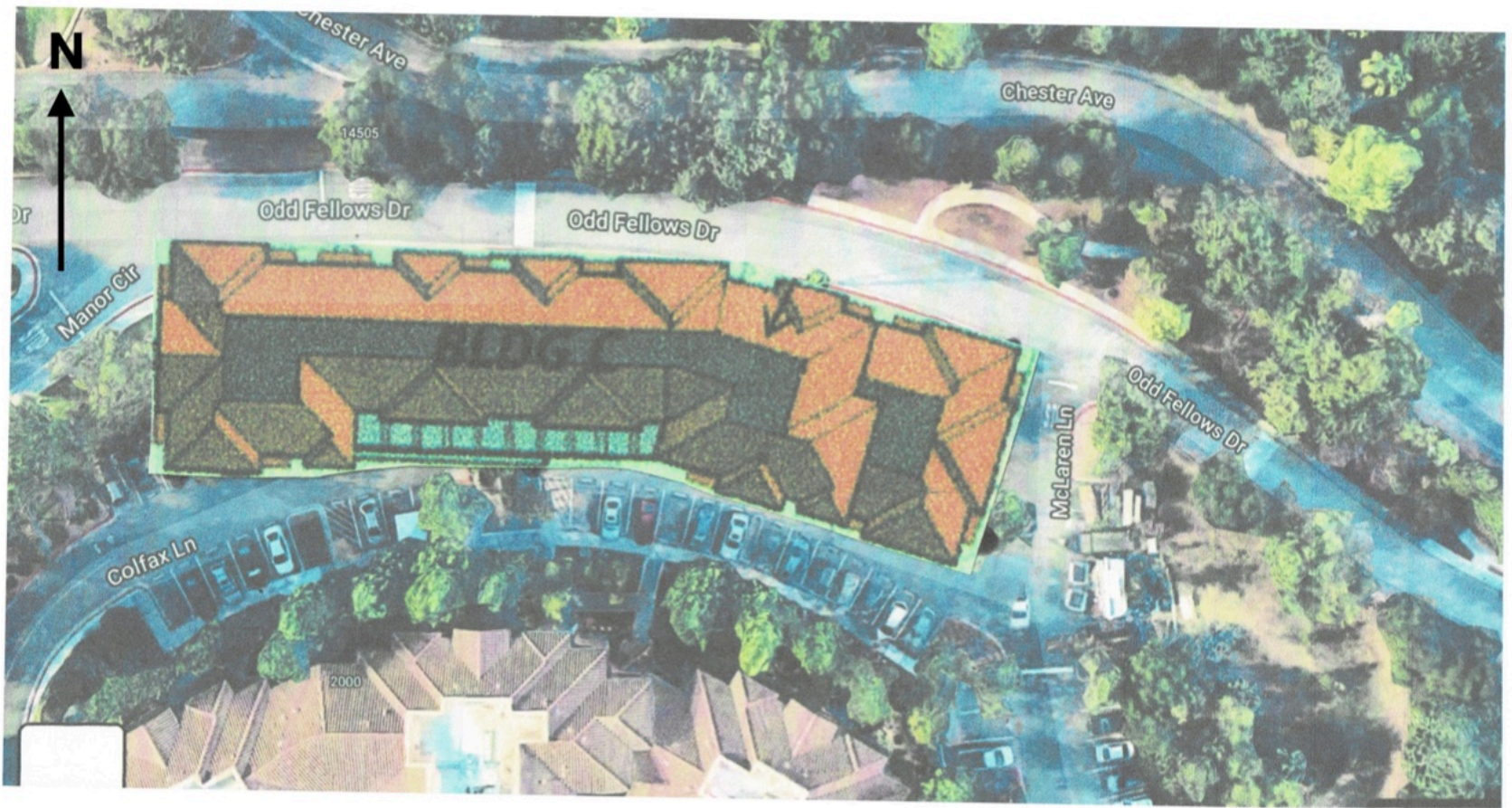


To answer PRS' concerns on #b and #c, we have mapped the PRS proposed buildings on the current campus site to show where the poles could be. These images are from Google map and from PRS' presentation.



Story poles locations for the PRS proposed Building B.

- Black lines outlines the foot print for Building B.
- Orange patch shows the dimension of the Building B. Flip over the Orange patch to map the foot print of the actual site . Story poles locations are noted in black dots.
- Pictures taken from Google Map and Building B from PRS Master Plan presentation (Jan. 27, 2021).



Building C story poles positions

- Flip the white patch (mirror image of Building C foot print) over to map over the current campus site.
- Black dots show story poles, marking the corners of Building C.
- Poles are near Manor Cir. and Colfax Ln but not on the road.