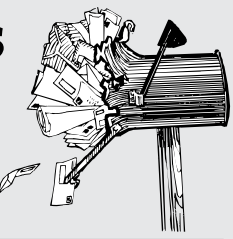


# Letters to the Editor



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## Developer Tim O'Brien asks Multnomah neighbors to be friendlier

Regarding, "New 39-unit building planned for corner of 32nd Avenue and Capitol Highway," by Erik Vidstrand, The Post, January 2018.

At the Dec. 12 meeting of the Multnomah Neighborhood Association, SERA Architects and developer Tim O'Brien presented a plan for a proposed 39-unit apartment building on the site of the old gas station opposite the Multnomah Arts Center on Capitol Highway.

I was somewhat amazed by the comments made by Mr. O'Brien as reported in your news article. Mr. O'Brien was reported as saying that neighbors to this project "could be friendlier to developers".

He goes on to say, "Try to weigh

in on projects with a positive attitude and not try to stop me or appeal until the cows come home."

I think it is incredibly naive of Mr. O'Brien to ask that people in opposition to his latest development be "friendlier".

I am in total agreement with the abutters/neighbors to the proposed building who mention loss of sunlight and increase in cars along with the scale of the building being out of character with the neighborhood.

I urge Mr. O'Brien to mentally imagine himself one of the abutters. What will they lose if and when this project is allowed to proceed? Sunshine, views and privacy.

These neighbors will live in the shadows and have the creepy feeling that their privacy is not secure.

One only has to tour North Portland's Mississippi Avenue to get a sense of what the outcomes can be.

A single-family bungalow right next to a four-story apartment building set back only three feet from the property line.

Most home owners have worked hard to afford home ownership which provides security and a sense of stability and privacy.

Mr. O'Brien's project threatens unwanted change in an existing neighborhood. Why should he be surprised by neighborhood pushback?

Be nice, Mr. O'Brien, and find another location to build your development.

Sim Hyde  
Multnomah Village



## EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk: One source of water waste is running it to change from cold to hot. Any thoughts on how to deal with this?

- Joanne Leussing

Running the water to wait for it to get hot is a huge waste of water. According to the Natural Resources Defense Council, a leading non-profit green group, upwards of 10 percent

of all the hot water drawn for showering in a typical single-family home is wasted waiting for hot water to arrive.

"With Americans taking over 200 million showers a day, that's a lot of water and energy literally down the drain, of no benefit to anyone," said Ed Osann, the NRDC senior policy analyst and water efficiency project director.

"Using Environmental Protection Agency estimates of shower water use, that's about 280 million gallons of hot water wasted each day—water that has been heated by a water heater, but then allowed to cool as it sits in long pipe runs that are not insulated."

The energy used to heat this wasted hot shower water generates about the same amount of greenhouse gas

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