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good day again long time resident of district 6 here

i would like to add the following comments regarding agenda item 22 in tomorrow's city council meeting

Once again we have the city trying to get zoning issues that are of great importance to the residents of districts 6 and 5 to be done by remote hearing ..the council heard the voices many of the residents of these districts about how this process will undermine and diminish public participation in the matters that affect their districts ..it seems the council is content to ignore the voices of the residents and continue to try and push this through to allow the developers to push through their proposals without having to worry about the residents getting in their way or having to hear opposition their and the city's almighty development plan ..the fact that this item is dead last on the agenda which means it will not come up until very late when the city and council are well aware that many residents can not stay online or at the council chamber to participate shows clearly the attempt to cut out public participation in this agenda item and get it passed without any public "input" ..The residents of district 6 want our right to speak to our council in person on development issues that affect our district and to be done so at a reasonable hour of the day not 11pm at night and we see this as another attempt by the city mayor troxell tony frank CSU and the developers to cut out our voices and take away our ability to participate ..to quote mayor troxell this a bastardization of the democratic process and the rights of the citizens of ft collins and severe government overreach ..the council can rest assured that despite your efforts to cut out public participation in zoning matters especially the hughes rezoning you will not silence us we are not going away .we strongly ask that you vote down this matter and stop trying to cut out the public in these matters ..and again council members always remember ..the developers tony frank and CSU do not vote for you or decide if you keep your seats ..the good citizens of ft collins do ..we alone have the power to take you out office ..you work for us you are our employees and as sure as the sky is blue we are the ones who you answer to .again vote no on agenda item 22 and honor your oath of office and represent your constituents and stop bowing to the developers ..

thank you