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Why is it that so many times when people are trying to accomplish something, they trample everything in sight in the thoughtless pursuit of their goal? There is absolutely no good reason to do away with a review of the historical value of structures, especially the ones that have been officially designated as historically important, just to supposedly make it easier to construct middle or other level housing. It's just literally mindless destruction.

Already included in the present process is a balancing of priorities and examination of whether the new construction justifies the destruction of what already exists. Please choose intelligent restraint. Certainly some existing structures will go. I am by no means suggesting never tearing things down. But it is entirely possible to have new housing without mindlessly destroying our existing cityscapes. Drop that Elon-esque chainsaw and write a housing bill that creates housing without destroying existing treasures.