Mr. Donaldson

My name is Allen R Robertson, I live at 4921 East Emory Road, Knoxville TN (865-922-2153).

I am writing in reference to the proposed change in zoning on the Southeast side of Old Maynardville Pike and Maynardville Pike, File number 5-I-06-SP and 5-T-06-RZ (RN,LLC), agenda #84. This proposal, as you know, is changing the zoning from Agricultural to a Commercial zoning for General Business.

I am in total opposition to this for the following reasons:

- I personally do not want a retail shopping center across from my property! The lights, noise and runoff from this would detract from what I love about where I live.

- I do not believe this zoning coincides with the property around this site.

- You would be allowing another commercial site that would take away the natural green-scape of the area. Currently this land absorbs the rain runoff and does not pollute Willow Fork Creek. Another commercial site would just add to the destruction (automotive oil, radiator fluids, trash, etc.) of Willow Fork Creek. You would be and are turning Willow Fork Creek in nothing but a large drainage ditch. This is wrong.

- This also does not follow what I believe Your Own Publication states, Knoxville-Knox County Tree Conservation and Planting Plan (June 2005), that we should be conserving such areas.

I know I am just one electronic voice. I know what I am saying will probably not sway your decision, I do not believe my voice will be heard, I do not even believe that you will read this! I am disappointed that an assistant will probably read this and send me your standard form letter of "We hear and will look into but………….."

But at least I have made my voice known to you officially and hopefully on public record as I cannot attend Thursday 1:30 pm meeting as I have to work.

I am asking you to please not allow this change in zoning OR any others like it in this area. We have enough shopping centers in Halls, we don't need any more please. Let us keep our lands in tacked and green…….please!

Sincerely,

Allen R Robertson

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