## William D. & Pamela J. Cross 1215 Rocky Hill Road Knoxville TN 37919



Re: 74. DMP PROPERTIES, LLC West side Rocky Hill Rd., north of S. North ore Dr., Council District 2. MPC Agenda January 11, 2007 Agenda Item No. MPC File No.

a. One Year Plan Amendment 1-F-07-PA From LDR (Low Density Residential) to O (Office).

b. Rezoning 1-M-07-RZ From R-1 (Low Density Residential) to O-1 (Office, Medical, and Related Services).

## Dear Commissioners,

It has come to our attention that DMP Properties, LLC is attempting to have two properties in our neighborhood rezoned (1227 and 1301 Rocky Hill Rd). We strenuously oppose this. Our neighborhood is small and quiet – a haven, if you will, from the hustle and bustle that takes place on Northshore Drive.

These homes and the homes surrounding them are certainly not million dollar homes but they are not in a state of disrepair. The neighborhood is made up of modest, well-built homes that are maintained and are good affordable housing. In fact, several homes in the area have been renovated in recent years. There are yards with trees and flowers, squirrels and birds – not houses with parking areas that have constant traffic in and out during the day, then stand abandoned at night. This is a place where families still walk to the neighborhood store for ice cream and children can walk to school under the watchful eye of their parents and neighbors.

Ours is a tiny little neighborhood with a narrow road that already bears the burden of being a cut-through between Northshore Drive and Morrell Road. In addition, we of course have a great deal of traffic when school is in session because Rocky Hill Elementary School stands at the corner of Morrell Road and Rocky Hill Road. Additional traffic would only add to the congestion and hazards our children face every day.

The properties at issue are not vacant lots at the end of the road that could easily blend with other commercial properties. These houses are right in the very heart of our neighborhood. There are homes both to the left and right as well as across the street.

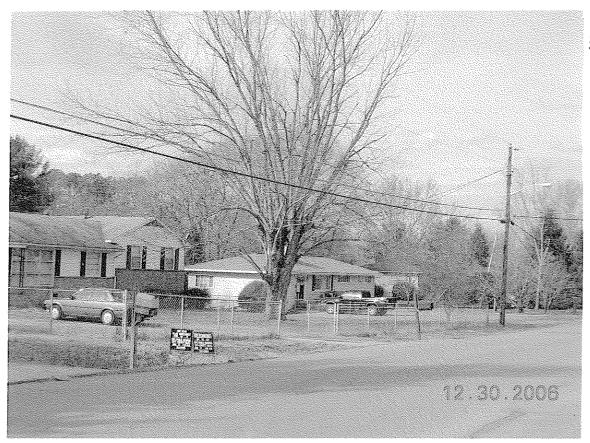
We ask that you take a look at the enclosed pictures of our little neighborhood and see fit to allow us the same simple pleasures that everyone wants and deserves. To be able to come home to our neighborhood where families enjoy summer afternoons and weekend barbeques; not a place where faceless corporations have turned houses into office buildings, chopped down trees and left behind only asphalt where children used to play.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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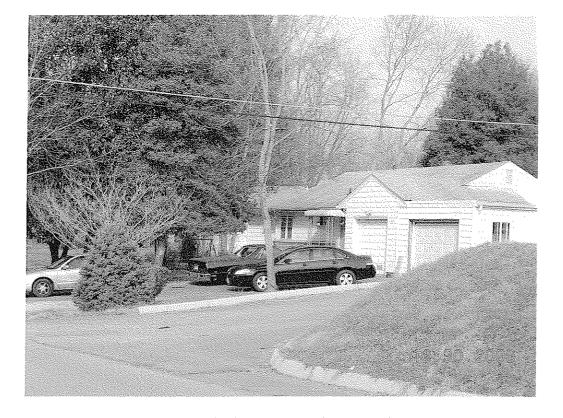
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1227 Rocky Hill Road And View North



1301 Rocky Hill Road And View South



Across The Street From The Properties



Rocky Hill Lane Intersection



Looking North On Rocky Hill Road – Elementary School In The Curve



Looking South On Rocky Hill Road



Some Neighboring Residences Left Of The Properties



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Knoxville/Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission

City County Building

## Meeting 1/11/2007 @ 1:30PM

Knoxville, Tennessee

Subject: Rezoning file# 1-M-07-RZ /1=F=07-PA

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As a citizen of Knoxville and Knox County and a resident of the Rocky Hill area, I wish to make the Metropolitan Planning Commission aware that I am <u>AGAINST the rezoning of the lots</u> involved.

- 1 The rezoning of said lots from single family residential to Professional Office would not be in keeping with the character of the existing neighborhood. Also this rezoning of these lots would be right in the middle of a long line of all residence area which would not be appealing to the existing neighborhood.
- 2. Our neighborhood has suffered from a substantial increase in the level of traffic on Rocky Hill Road as it is now. This has been brought about by two "Improvements" to our neighborhood.
- 2a. The first has been the installation of the stoplight at the intersection of Morrell Road and Northshore Drive. As this is a very congested intersection, most of the traffic, including delivery trucks, frequenting the Rocky Hill Shopping Center now use our small neighborhood road as a way to bypass the stop light.
- 2b. The second problem was caused by the rerouting of the traffic to drop off and picked up students at Rocky Hill School. For 45 minutes to an hour each morning and afternoon our tiny two lane road becomes total obstacle course. This makes it impossible to get in and out of your driveway.
- 3. There already has been three good sized commercial buildings constructed behind the Rocky Hill Shopping Center. In the construction of these buildings the grading of the existing land was changed quite drastically. The residents on the north side of these commercial buildings are now more than 4ft below the grade of the commercial buildings. The changing of the grade and the black topping of the parking lot has created folding conditions for several homes adjacent to that development. These commercial buildings have created quite a nuisance caused by parking lot maintenance vacuum trucks and garbage trucks banging the dumpsters to empty them at 2 and 4:00 a.m. in the morning. A At times this has even occurred on Sunday mornings.

So please consider our request that these lots are NOT REZONED FOR OFFICE OR COMMERCIAL USE. IF THERE IS SUCH A DEMAND FOR COMMERCIAL/OFFICE SPACE IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA, HALF OF THE COMMERCIAL UNITS BEHIND THE ROCKY HILL SHOPPING CENTER ARE NOW SETTING EMPTY. PLEASE NO MORE, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH...SEE THE NEXT PAGE FOR RESIDENTS SIGNATURES.

ADDRESS OF RESIDENT	NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER
1 7512 ROCKy Hill Lu	1 Chayles Sorrell Grall
2 7505 Rocky Hill Ln	2 ant & ahlatt
3 7505 Rocky Hill Ln	3 Semoth Callett
4 /208 ROCKYHILL Rd	4 Mary Mc Howw
5 7509 Rocky Hill Lene	5 actele Couch
6 1211 Rocky H. 11 Rd	6 Andrea Daniel
7 1204 Rocky Hill Rd	7 Karen Cogburn
8 Doy Rocky Hill Rd.	8 Show Ring
97572 Roily Hill Ln.	9 Alice Somell
10/209 Rocky 1+11 Rd	10 Venus Woodward-
11 1209 Rocky Hill Rd	11 Victoria Sorrell
12 75/3 Locky Hell Ln.	12 to and Sandi Memorgan
13 1219 Rocky New Rd	13 Kelly Buckner
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16/2/9 Rocky Hill Rd.	16 Jacob Buckner
17/219 Rocky HILRd	17 Katie Buckner
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24 7508 Rocky/Hell Jane	24 Edna Fin
25 1305 Rocky Hill Rd	25 July 1
26 1309 Rockey Hell Rd	26 Judy Johnson
27 1309 Rockey Hell Rd	27 Bill Johnson
28 1222 Rocky HIS Rd.	28 R. Michael Clary
29 /222 Kocky Hill Rd. 30 /201 Roller H.// Rd	29 Kathy a. Kain
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