

## **Rezoning To A Low Density Residential District**

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My name is Deborah Rosford and I live at 4513 Upchurch Road, Knoxville, TN 37912. I am a home owner. I have lived in my house since 1990. I have seen a lot of apartments and condominiums built in the Inskip Area since 1990. The increase in population and traffic and crime have brought about many personal concerns for the future of our neighborhood.

As the notice from the Metropolitan Planning Commission states it has been documented that a majority of the area is considered as single family residential land use and the zoning predominantly allows for multi-family residential uses. This can have a destabilizing effect on our neighborhood. I am very much in favor of rezoning remaining groups of single family houses from R-2 to either R-1 or R-1A, Low Density Residential. It seems obvious to me that this would be a very good thing for preserving a healthy future for the residents of Inskip.

Sincerely,

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November 12, 2013

To: Metropolitan Planning Commission

From: Nancy Jane and Kenneth Russell Webb, Sr.

1007 South Park Circle

Knoxville, TN 37912

Regarding: Governmental Rezoning File No. 11-F-13-RZ

606 Glenoaks Drive Property ID NO. 069IE003

We are requesting to be exempt from R1 or R1A rezoning and to remain R2. Our property is located in Moore Heights Subdivision which was former farmland owned by my husband's grandfather, James Ervin Moore. The farm included the entire area between Bruhin Road and Glenoaks Drive( formerly Helen Street) from our west property line to the intersection of Bruhin Road and Glenoaks Drive.

My husband's parents bought the piece of the farm that we still own in the 1940's. Our property is unlike that around us in size. It is 257x235xIRR with the house located in the middle of the property. The homes west of us are small with small lots, and the homes east of us are ranchers with slightly larger lots in width than those on the west. Since, we have a much larger parcel of property, we would like to be able to keep our options open for future use of our property.

Since, two houses directly across the street from us are used for the care of mentally challenged adults, our property value has declined. If our land is rezoned to R1 or R1A, our property value will decrease further because our options for the use of the land will be greatly decreased. Therefore, due to these circumstances, we believe that we are justified in asking for an exemption.

According to a newsletter that we received in July 2013, the rezoning of Inskip was initiated by the Inskip Community Association. We had no knowledge of the existence of this group, but we have attended recent meetings and expressed our concerns. According to their president, they have approximately 12 members. We are concerned that the future of Inskip is in the hands of a very, small group of people.

My husband has lived in Inskip since 1949, and I have lived here since 1964. We have raised 3 children in Inskip and have invested a large part of our lives in working with the children's recreational programs. In later years, I taught many of these children at Central High School. We have always been participants and supporters of our community, and we are concerned about the future of our community. In conclusion, we have had our property in our family since the 1940's, and we just want to be left alone as we have been for the last 64 years to exercise our rights as property owners in a R2 zone. We would gratefully appreciate your considering our request for an exemption.

Respectfully,

Mancy Jane Webb

Kenneth Russell Webb, Sr.



November 14, 2013

## Planning Commissioners:

I would like to ask your support for the general rezoning in the Inskip area Item # 30, 11-F-13-RZ. You may recall a portion of Inskip was rezoned by MPC in August 2013. There were about 200 properties involved in this first phase. This phase involves 372 of the remaining residential properties in Inskip. In October Inskip Community Association sent out a Newsletter to 1,650 properties in Inskip letting them know about the proposed rezoning and the chances they had to learn about it at a community meeting on October 22, a MPC staff information meeting on November 4, and MPC meeting on November 14. At the end of October MPC then mailed out a letter and postcard (in your packets) to the 372 property owners actually being proposed to be rezoned. At those two meetings many residents expressed that they do not want more apartments or condominiums to continue to spring up in their own back yards.

Out of those 372 property owners I have personally only heard from three property owners that they want to be exempt from the rezoning to single family residence. They cite their property rights and some properties around them that have changed to devalue their property. I simply ask that you consider the rights of the whole community in trying to stabilize this area and make it safer for our children and residents to walk in the community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Betty Jo Mahan President Inskip Community Association ACI