

10-F-14-002... Robin Parris

Knoxville - Knox County
Metropolitan Planning Commission
Suite 403, City County Building
400 Main Street
Knoxville, Tennessee 37902



RE: Ravenwood Boarding Kennels Expansion Application

I would like to address the Ravenwood expansion in this letter and have it presented on Thursday during the meeting with Cheri Roop.

I have lived on the same street as this facility since its existence. I even once lived two houses down from 1998 until 2000. I have never experienced any problems with the facility or its owner at any time. What Cheri is trying to do is a positive thing. I am excited for the potential future of Ravenwood and the services that they will be able to provide our community. I have not used Ravenwood, but I do plan on it in the very near future. I am especially excited about the self-serve pet wash that she wants to make available. This service has been met with very positive response in the downtown area where one is now located. If I had the money, I would have invested in such a facility on my own. Cheri has proven to me to be very caring and loving to our furry friends. It is very unfortunate that she has been met with some opposition from my neighbors.

There is only one negative that I could take away from this expansion. That is the fact it will add more traffic to a street that is already facing obstacles with a temporary dead end due to construction on Maynardville Highway and speeding down Old Maynardville Pike.

I would appreciate your consideration of approving this application.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Robin Parris".

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Ravenwood Kennels Expansion-7602 Old Maynardville Pike

1 message

'Justin Sauder' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Fri, Oct 3, 2014 at 5:31 PM

Reply-To: justin.danielle@yahoo.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Dear Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission,

My name is Justin Sauder. I am the property owner of 4823 East Emory Road which borders the real property line of Ravenwood Kennels. I am extremely concerned about the planned expansion of Ravenwood Kennels. My concerns relate to the increased noise, traffic, and overall appearance and cleanliness of our neighborhood. Imagine having 30-40 dogs in your backyard barking at 3AM. Imagine one day in the future trying to sell your home with a fence of 30 dogs right behind it. Imagine all that animal waste. Also there is a right-of-way which runs parallel to my driveway. If this business expands it will increase the amount of traffic using that right-of-way. During the rains the acces to Old Maynardville Hwy is flooded and cars will have to use it. Imagine having 40-50 cars driving between you and your neighbors house where your kids play. This pretty much sums up my concern. Please vote against the expansion of Ravenwood Kennels.

Justin Sauder

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] MPC Vote in 10-09-2014

1 message

'Stephanie Stevens' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>Sun, Oct 5, 2014 at 10:59
PM

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To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

To Whom It May Concern,

We as property owners, that nearly share roads and property lines with Ms. Roop, and now Ms. Lane, of Paws and Claws (with her illegally (?) placed trailer), would urge you to vote AGAINST allowing this expansion.

We have already seen a 100% increase in traffic since the trailer, and Paws and Claws moved in. They frequently use our driveway also and then cut across out grass to get to get her driveway.

There are 5 houses in our subdivision. Private homes. Not businesses. There has never been an issue with traffic in our subdivision. There's never been theft or break-ins or drug deals either. At least not until Paws and Claws and the trailer appeared. Our neighborhood is quiet and quaint. There are small children in every single home. Our subdivision has a country feel. Hence the reason for living in Halls. The road they use now to get to said trailer has nonstop traffic. We were told it would only be used as a back road or for emergencies. It's not a commercial drive. It's a private drive that for the past 6 years usually was closed up with gates.

We listen to dogs bark all day at Ravenwood Kennels. We've gotten used to that over the past 6 years. We are dog owners ourselves. As most all of our neighbors in our subdivision are. Adding another 30 kennels to the existing kennels, doubles the amount of dogs and noise. Obviously, no homeowners would welcome that.

In regards to the self serve dog wash station. That only invites trouble. Sure, it brings the concerned parties an increase in income, but at the cost of the safety of all of their neighbors.

As you can see this is a no win for numerous families around Ravenwood Kennels. It will be nearly impossible to ever sell our home now with the trailer and traffic and increase in noise, no one will want to live near here.

As we're typing this letter we hear the 30 dogs that already reside there bark and try to imagine how loud life is going to soon be. I can't sell my house fast enough.

Needless to say we are Against the expansion of Ravenwood Kennels.

Please feel free to contact us at anytime.

Sincerely,

Chris G. Stevens
And
Stephanie Stevens

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