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[MPC Comment] 10620 Rather Rd. re-zoning request

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Chair Longmire and Commissioners -

Good morning. I am writing to you to express my opposition to the current request for re-zoning at [10620 Rather Rd.](#) As I understand the situation, King Properties is petitioning to re-zone from agricultural to residential with a proposed density of 4 dwellings per acre. The MPC has recommended 3 dwellings per acre. So, at a minimum, 15 new homes (assuming 5 acres are suitable to build on) are to be built.

I understand and respect the property owners rights to sell and the desire of King Properties to build in the Hardin Valley/Solway area. I live down the street (10429 Rather) and this is a wonderful neighborhood. However, I do not believe certain conditions were considered when proposing this density level for Rather Rd. The road it's self is very narrow, barley enough room to pass other vehicles. The property in question is located between two blind hills. A new subdivision is directly across the street and they are continuing to build, so there will be increased traffic on George Light. The addition of 15 new homes means 30+ cars trying to get onto George Light and then cross Pellissippi Parkway (SR162). It is difficult and dangerous enough without the additional traffic this re-zoning would bring.

I humbly submit that if you approve the density for re-zoning, it will have a severe impact on traffic safety and the desirability of Rather Rd. However, a much lower density model, such as one house per acre and an alternative method for accessing George Light or Rather, would not be a burden to those of us who currently own and reside there.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Roger Thompson

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