



Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] Propose East Knoxville Stone Project

ron reposa <pattiron.reposa@gmail.com>

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 7:46 PM

Reply-To: pattiron.reposa@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxplanning.org

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Sincerely,
Ron Reposa

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Laura Edmonds <laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] Fwd: Public Input: Planning Commission Meeting Information

1 message

Amy Brooks <amy.brooks@knoxplanning.org>
Reply-To: amy.brooks@knoxplanning.org
To: Commission <commission@knoxplanning.org>

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 10:41 AM

Amy Brooks, AICP
Planning Services Manager
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Public input from the commission meeting page below!

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From: **Public Input: Dennis Ford** <contact@knoxplanning.org>
Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 10:04 AM
Subject: Public Input: Planning Commission Meeting Information
To: <webmaster@knoxplanning.org>



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Dennis Ford has contacted you from the

Planning Commission Meeting Information Page.

The information provided is listed below.

Project: Planning Commission Meeting Information

Name: Dennis Ford

Email: Marbledalecommunity@gmail.com

Zip Code: 37914

Message: 6-F-20-UR Item #24 on agenda. My wife and I reside at 5806 Thorngrove Pk. And I am the current President of the Marbledale Community Association. The Marbledale Community strongly opposes this new quarry . Our roads would be destroyed by the heavy trucks traffic. Accidents would increase. Blasting would continue to destroy, wells, homes, church foundations e.t.c

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Kelli Byard

Graphic Designer

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Laura Edmonds <laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR - Opposition to East Knoxville Stone Mine in Marbledale Community

1 message

Karen White <karenwhite70@comcast.net>
Reply-To: karenwhite70@comcast.net
To: Commission@knoxplanning.org

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:47 AM

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] I live on Fawver Lane in Marbledale Community, and I am in Opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale due to blasting , dust , road destruction , by heavy trucks, noise , and shaking my house, like the Heavy Blast, today @ 4:19 PM June 8 2020. Item#24, 6-F-20-UR

balsamicwood via Commission <commission@knoxplanning.org>
Reply-To: balsamicwood@yahoo.com
To: Commission@knoxplanning.org

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:21 PM

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-Ur

'Gwendolyn Branson' via Commission <commission@knoxplanning.org>

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 8:09 AM

Reply-To: gwendolynbranson@icloud.com

To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Dear commission in opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale I would like to say that I have lived in this community all my life. I live in the home that my father bought in 1976. My husband and I have raised our children in this home we are now hoping to have our grandchildren in our home on visits. I walked to church when I was younger, I walked to my granny's house, I walked all over this community as a kid growing up. I would not walk on Thorn Grove Pike today to save my life. Traffic is terrible there is no where to go if a car was to be out of control. This community is quite and peaceful. For the most part everyone is in and ready for the night by 9 pm. So please do not let this company come in and destroy our beautiful peaceful community. This would decrease the value of my home that I have worked for all my life, it would destroy the water quality and the land where wild animals live. I have had to stop on Kennedy road to let a family of deer cross. This would destroy the church that burned in November of 2002 that we rebuilt with our blood sweat and tears. I will not allow someone to come into my community and take away what I have worked for all my life. I will fight until the good lord takes me home if necessary. I want to thank you for listening to me regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Gwendolyn Branson

Sent from my iPhone

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR

Crystal <ceshumate@msn.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 11:05 PM

Reply-To: ceshumate@msn.com

To: "Commission@knoxplanning.org" <Commission@knoxplanning.org>

Opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale Community, Item #24

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[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR Item#24

JENNIFER DANIEL <jenniferdaniel1@comcast.net>
Reply-To: jenniferdaniel1@comcast.net
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 8:51 AM

I am emailing in concern for my church Marbledale. I am against the digging in this area.

Thank you
Jennifer Daniel

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-f-20-ur

Emily <auntieem21@msn.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:07 PM

Reply-To: auntieem21@msn.com

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

Opposition to East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale (item #24)

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment]

Kim Fawver <kimfawver54@gmail.com>
Reply-To: kimfawver54@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 6:26 AM

I oppose the expansion of the quarry in what is left of the Mabledale community. This is my my home place and don't want it !!! Thank you, Kim Fawver

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] Marbledale Quarry

kimfawver54 <kimfawver54@gmail.com>
Reply-To: kimfawver54@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 8:57 AM

I strongly oppose the expansion of this quarry, It will destroy what's left of this community.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR - Use on Review

Appen Lee <appen.lee@comcast.net>
Reply-To: appen.lee@comcast.net
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 9:12 PM

Dear Planning Commissioners,

For item #24, 6-F-20-UR, I request that you deny the requested use on review, as recommended by the staff. I was a member of the Marbledale Community for 23 years, until I got married and moved to the Mascot area. I still return to Marbledale on frequent occasions to visit with my parents, who have been residents in the community since 1974. The rural community of Marbledale is not equipped for the kind of operation being considered. The roads are small and winding. The trucks that would be required for this would cause dangerous traffic and would destroy the roads.

I am also concerned about the property value of homes in the community. My husband and I were actively looking for land to build our "forever home" and want to return to that area. At this time, we have put that search on hold.

The community has already suffered deterioration from the Blue Waters Industries mining operations. The area is no longer pleasant to look at or drive through. They have taken homes and land from people who have grown up in the community.

I request that you follow your staff's recommendation and deny this Use on Review for a mine in the Marbledale Community.

Thank you
Appen Lee
8507 Tailwind Lane
Knoxville, TN 37924

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[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR

Peggie Loveday <peggie1356@gmail.com>
Reply-To: peggie1356@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:07 PM

I am opposing the east knox stone mine in marbledale

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[Planning Commission Comment] East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale

Lisa Major <lmajor10467@gmail.com>
Reply-To: lmajor10467@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 7:26 PM

I am writing to let you know that I am apposed to the quarry mining on Flint Gap Rd. I was born & raised in Marbledale. I have seen what the quarry has done to the community already. I dont want to see all the trees gone in that area for them to replace them with a mountain of rock like they've done at the end of Thorngrove Pike. The blasting alone would be devastating to all of the homes in the area, especially to my mother's that would be directly across the street from them. Not to mention the amount of traffic, meaning dump trucks, that would be traveling through the residential streets. I do hope that you will stop them from ruining what's left of a great neighborhood.

Thank you,
Lisa Major

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale 6-F-20-UR. Dear Members; I am writing in reference to the quarry on Flintgap Road . This would be an absolute nightmare for my community. There are so many reasons. Trucks would destroy our roads also our homes . We are already having to deal with the Blue Water quarry on John Sevier Hey. Please vote against this proposal to open this quarry in our community. Sincerely, Debby Richards

Debra Richards <debra.p.richards@gmail.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 7:25 PM

Reply-To: debra.p.richards@gmail.com

To: Commission@knoxplanning.org

Sent from my iPhone

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[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR

Danny Shumate <shumatedanny@gmail.com>
Reply-To: shumatedanny@gmail.com
To: Commission@knoxplanning.org

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 11:10 PM

Opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale Community, Item #24

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[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR

Gordon Smith <NSEngineer@msn.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 7:57 PM

Reply-To: nseengineer@msn.com

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

Opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale Community Item #24

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[Planning Commission Comment] Opposition to the East Knox Stone Mine in Marbledale

Angela terry <angterry@live.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 7:56 PM

Reply-To: angterry@live.com

To: "Commission@knoxplanning.org" <Commission@knoxplanning.org>

Regarding item #24, 6-F-20-UR, I am writing to let you know of my opposition to this plan. As a member of the Marbledale Community, (60 years), with the Quarry that is already in operation at John Sevier and Asbury road, our home has already felt the impact of the blasting with cracks in the foundation. This new Quarry would put us right in the middle between the two and I can only imagine the damage this would cause with blasting from both. This would also lower the value of this area as it would be considered a commercial area more than a residential with two quarries just a few miles apart. It would greatly reduce the value of our home. At approximately 4:15 today, there was a blast that shook our windows from the quarry in operation. And the traffic would be a tremendous burden on our small roads with the trucks that would be traveling to and from the site, and the congestion it would create would be very frustrating. I understand progress and the need for it, but I also understand and know the need of keeping our community as safe as possible. And a residential community.....Mark and Angela Terry

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[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR // Opposition to East Knox Stone Mine in the Marbledale Community

Edward G. White <TWhite@hdclaw.com>

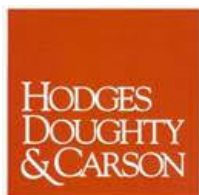
Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 8:38 AM

Reply-To: twhite@hdclaw.com

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

Cc: "Wayne A. Kline" <WKline@hdclaw.com>, "karenwhite70@comcast.net" <karenwhite70@comcast.net>

Dear Commissioners: I reside at 3001 Rush Miller Road, 37914 in the Marbledale community. I am aware of the utilization review application referenced above and want to express my strong opposition to it. The reasons for our community's opposition to this proposed stone quarry mining operation have been articulated comprehensively in a letter by attorney Wayne Kline who represents us in opposing this project and I adopt his words here by reference. I hope that you will vote to deny the use that has been proposed so that the quality of life in our community is not hugely diminished by the intrusion of such an unfavorable project. Respectfully, --



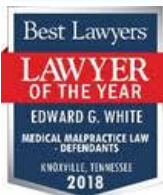
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Edward (Ted) G. White, II

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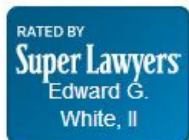


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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR - Opposition to East Knoxville Stone Mine in Marbledale Community

Karen White <karenwhite70@comcast.net>

Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:47 AM

Reply-To: karenwhite70@comcast.net

To: Commission@knoxplanning.org

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Laura Edmonds <laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] 6-F-20-UR

1 message

Kim Frazier <hvpa2018@gmail.com>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 11:30 AM

Reply-To: hvpa2018@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Cc: Kevin Murphy <murphysprings@gmail.com>, Lisa Starbuck <lisamstarbuck@gmail.com>

Dear Commissioners,

As a member of the organized community groups, HVPA & KCPA, I would like to add my support of the staff recommendation to deny the requested use on review.

Thank you for your time and service.

In Service,
Kim Frazier

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] Fwd: Proposed Mining

Mike Reynolds <mike.reynolds@knoxplanning.org>
Reply-To: mike.reynolds@knoxplanning.org
To: Commission <commission@knoxplanning.org>

Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 9:27 AM

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From: **Garrett Tucker** <gtucker@rgc-a.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 9:26 AM
Subject: RE: Proposed Mining
To: Mike Reynolds <mike.reynolds@knoxplanning.org>
Cc: ted.hunsaker@keckenterprisesinc.com <ted.hunsaker@keckenterprisesinc.com>, mike@dixieroofiginc.com <mike@dixieroofiginc.com>

Mike,

I wanted to follow up on the meeting last Thursday evening.

The meeting was scheduled for 5:30 pm.

On Monday, June 1, we posted a sign on Flint Gap Road near the sign by Knox Planning.

We got there shortly before 5:00 pm.

The group included: Garry Tucker, Teddy Hunsaker, Tony Burnett, and Mike Malicote

Nobody showed up until about 5:40 pm, when Mike Harper who lives at [6210 Flint Gap Road](#) came by.

He was concerned about drainage, said that his driveway floods during heavy rain events.

He also indicated that Flint Gap Road floods in this area.

Nobody else from the community attended.

 A screenshot of a cell phone Description automatically generated

Garry Tucker

[7523 Taggart Lane](#)

[Knoxville, TN 37938](#)

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From: Mike Reynolds <mike.reynolds@knoxplanning.org>
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2020 12:28 PM
To: Garrett Tucker <gtucker@rgc-a.com>
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Mining

Garry,

This is the first email that I recall receiving in opposition to the East Knoxville Stone application, however, I also want to let you know that I've received several phone calls from concerned neighbors. Have you set a date for the community meeting that you mentioned having in your comment response letter?

Thanks! Mike

Mike Reynolds, AICP

Senior Planner

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From: J. L. V. <jl22069@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 1, 2020 at 12:20 PM
Subject: Proposed Mining
To: <mike.reynolds@knoxplanning.org>

Hello Mr Reynolds,

My name is Janice Verklas I live at [2517 Julian Lane Knoxville Tn 37914](#) directly across the street from the location of the proposed mining operation. I will say that I am not in favor of this proposal. I am not familiar with this process, if you have any information about what this process is I would appreciate it greatly.

Thank you,

Janice L Verklas

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] Proposed Mining Operation

J. L. V. <jlv22069@gmail.com>
Reply-To: jlv22069@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Wed, Jun 3, 2020 at 8:02 AM

Hello my name is Janice L Verklas and I live at [2517 Julian Lane Knoxville Tn 37914](#). I have received correspondence regarding a proposed mining operation on the property [2514 Julian Lane](#) which is directly across from my home, in which I am not in favor of. I would like to participate in the discussion for East Knoxville Stone (6-F-20-UR).

Janice L Verklas
[2517 Julian Lane Knoxville Tn 37914](#)
JLV22069@gmail.com

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Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

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Commission <commission+msgappr@knoxplanning.org>

Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 7:39 PM

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From: Thomas Branson <tbranson65@gmail.com>

To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Cc:

Bcc:

Date: Mon, 8 Jun 2020 19:39:19 -0400

Subject: 6-F-20-UR

We would like to express our opposition to yet another quarry in our neighborhood. Where we live, we would be situated right in the middle of Bluewater Industries, and the proposed, East Knoxville Stone. This is a residential neighborhood with new houses going in frequently. We don't need more traffic and road damage. We already experience lots of dust sediment on our cars and houses, and loud blasts that shake our houses. We have already had one well to collapse on our property. Please support our request for denying this proposal. Best regards, Tom and Virginia Branson.



Dori Caron <dori.caron@knoxplanning.org>

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Laura Edmonds <laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] #24 6-F-20-UR - Use on Review

1 message

Lisa Starbuck <lisamstarbuck@gmail.com>

Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 2:52 PM

Reply-To: lisamstarbuck@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxplanning.org

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I support the planning staff's recommendation that this Use on Review not be approved. I don't think there is any way this mining proposal can avoid negative impacts on the surrounding residential area, especially with regard to the road infrastructure and noise. The character of the neighborhood has changed significantly since mining operations were active, and re-activating an abandoned mine site would definitely cause a great deal of harm to property values and quality of life for the surrounding properties.

Please support the staff recommendation and the people of the Marbledale community by DENYING this request.

Best regards,

Lisa Starbuck

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Laura Edmonds <laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org>

[Planning Commission Comment] #24, 6-F-20-UR - Request to Deny this use on review

1 message

Diette Crockett <dcrockett78@gmail.com>
Reply-To: dcrockett78@gmail.com
To: commission@knoxplanning.org
Cc: dcrockett78@gmail.com

Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 2:51 PM

Dear Planning Commissioners,

For item #24, 6-F-20-UR, I request that you deny the requested use on review, as recommended by the staff.

The location of a mine in this quiet rural community is not appropriate because it would be surrounded by homes, farms and a community church that have been there for many years.

The Flint Gap access to Thorn Grove Pike is right in the middle of a quiet residential community that would be greatly affected by big trucks driving through it. The narrow roads in this area are not capable of supporting the increased truck traffic required of a mine and would also create a hazard to others using the roads.

I enjoy traveling this peaceful section of Thorn Grove Pike on a regular basis and am also concerned about the damage to the roads that would be caused by trucks from a possible mine.

This community is also located right next to the French Broad River, so any water issues from a mining company could greatly affect the water in the river which flows towards downtown Knoxville.

Their request mentions that there is currently another mine in the area but Blue Waters Industries road access is only on John Sevier Scenic Highway and does not go through the residential area on Thorn Grove Pike.

I request that you follow your staff's recommendation and deny this Use on Review for a mine in the Marbledale Community.

Thank you,

Diette Crockett
Riverdale Community Resident
[7111 Kodak Road](#)
[Knoxville, TN 37914](#)

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[Planning Commission Comment] #24 6-F-20-UR - Please deny the use on review

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Sun, Jun 7, 2020 at 5:30 PM

Dear Planning Commissioners,

For item #24, 6-F-20-UR, I request that you deny the requested use on review, as recommended by the staff. I fully concur with the analysis that the proposed use is not appropriate to the location and will significantly injure the value of adjacent property.

Inadequate roads for the heavy truck traffic that must travel from a major arterial are a reason why this is not an appropriate location for mining operations. Since it has been inactive for more than 30 years, it no longer has an established use as an active mine, and is a change of use. The surrounding uses are residential, agricultural, and religious which are not compatible.

Moreover, Knox County Zoning Ordinance section 4.10.17 specifically requires the use on review to not significantly injure the value of adjacent property by noise, lights, fumes, durs, vibration, traffic congestion, or other impacts. Mining, associated blasting, heavy truck traffic will significantly injure the adjacent rural property.

As an example of injury, I want to specifically call out the "Blasting" section on page 5 of the proposed Mining Operations Plan. The plan compares blasting to everyday activities 'such as door slamming and hammering nails'. It offers no specific limits on intensity or frequency of blasting. The only limit it provides is that blasting will be limited to daylight hours and weekdays. Tomorrow is Monday, June 7, and sunrise is at 6:20AM. If somebody started hammering nails or slamming doors at 6:20PM in your house, I imagine you would be upset. Or the parishioners at Marbledale Baptist Church might be upset if blasting occurred during their 7PM Wednesday evening worship service.

This location is approximately 1/2 mile away from the established industrial zone of Forks of the River Industrial Park. It would pull substantial heavy truck traffic through residential areas with inadequate roads for that traffic, and it would injure the adjacent property value.

Please deny this use on review.

Sincerely,

--Kevin

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RE: Development Application Request File Number 6-F-20UR

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

This letter is to advise of my representation of the Marbledale community's and adjacent community's opposition to the above stated file application for mining operations of the various listed properties on and adjacent to Julian Lane and Flint Gap Road in East Knox County. The Marbledale community's opposition is supported by adjacent communities including the Ramsey community, the Kodak community and the Riverdale community. These residential communities have developed over the years while the mining operations in this area have diminished. The residential communities are not supportive of this request because the mining communities have been closed for too long, the quarries have basically moved on and to reintroduce more quarrying and mining in this area would have damaging and deleterious effects to the residential community, especially those residences closely positioned to the mining activities.

The Marbledale community is 90% residential with a population close to 2,000 residents. This area from the French Board River to Straw Plains Pike, as well as the surrounding communities of Ramsey, East Riverdale, Kodak, and the Dora Kennedy community all have developed over the years with residences and recently built fine homes in and adjacent to the Marbledale community. Some of the residents live directly next to the requested quarry activity and there are many residents within the Marbledale community who live within 1/2 mile of the requested quarry activity. As history has informed us, homes, foundations, windows and property can be easily damaged by quarrying activity, especially from blasting.

As well as blasting, dump truck trafficking, dust problems, overburden with removal, noise, operations of machinery and equipment, pit development, petroleum storage and transportation and other safety problems mitigate against the reintroduction of mining operations in this area. Air quality diminishes when operations such as those proposed are introduced into the environment and the operations of crushed stone equipment, discharge and runoff can endanger the water table. Roads that are too narrow to accommodate this kind of activity are proposed for use to access the site and because they are not wide enough and too crooked to support the kind of dump truck traffic required for quarrying activity, can not only damage homes and property in the area but also decrease property values.

Over the years, the Knoxville planning staff and Commission have supported residential development in this area. It appears inconsistent and inapposite to now reintroduce quarrying and mining in an area that has grown and developed residentially and in fact become a vibrant local community and asset to Knox County.

Areas surrounding the applicant's property are zoned for residential development, including RA zoning. There are many existing homes adjacent to and in close proximity to the applicant's requested mining and quarrying operation. For the foregoing reasons and on behalf of the entire Marbledale and adjacent communities, we request the Planning Commission deny requested application and use on review for the mining operations special application for use on these properties.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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[Planning Commission Comment] Proposed Mining Operation

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Wed, Jun 3, 2020 at 8:02 AM

Hello my name is Janice L Verklas and I live at [2517 Julian Lane Knoxville Tn 37914](#). I have received correspondence regarding a proposed mining operation on the property [2514 Julian Lane](#) which is directly across from my home, in which I am not in favor of. I would like to participate in the discussion for East Knoxville Stone (6-F-20-UR).

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