Trent Slagle Nov 11, 2020, 5:58 PM

Good evening,

We are writing in regards to the referenced case concerning a potential duplex at 7009 Wright Rd. We live at 7004 Wright Rd directly across the street from the proposed property and have lived there for about 6 years. We have several concerns with this proposal which we will list in detail below:

- Traffic The traffic on Wright Road has grown to a dangerous level since we have lived here. Cars use this road daily as a cut through between Harrell Rd and Oak Ridge Highway and routinely break the speed limit. There are blind hills on each side of our property and the proposed lot (pictures attached). These blind areas limit safety and visibility, for cars and pedestrians alike. It has become increasingly difficult to pull out of our driveway, and it is nearly impossible to turn left onto Oak Ridge Highway off Wright Road due to the traffic. The traffic has greatly outpaced the road development in our neighborhood and in the area as a whole. A duplex would add a minimum of 2-4 cars to the daily usage of Wright Rd, adding to the already overstrained conditions. Further, the location of the proposal is in a particularly precarious spot, given the limited visibility and steep nature of the lot. There are sharp drop offs and ditches on each side of the road. With the proposed driveway of the duplex being directly across the street from our driveway, this of course creates even more danger as multiple cars try to pull out in a double blind area surrounded by steep drop offs on both sides.
- The proposal mentions that the road is 18' in width. We are not sure how roads are measured, but we took a tape measure from the edge of the white lines on each side of the road and it measured out at 17'3". So, we therefore question the 18' measurement pending further information on proper road measurement. A narrow road does not mix well with the dangerous traffic conditions outlined above.
- All of the houses surrounding this property are single family residential homes. A duplex does not fit in with the surrounding properties and would have a negative impact on all surrounding property values. All of the owners in the area, including ourselves, have invested in our homes with the understanding that this is a single family residential area. There are some duplexes at the south end of Wright Road near Oak Ridge Highway, but a distinctive groove of trees serves as an obvious cut off between these duplexes and the single family homes. Additionally, these duplexes are confined to the end of the road, are all side by side, and are not mixed in with other single family homes. We also noticed the proposal mentions another duplex on Alkinson Ln. However, this duplex is not visible from the main road and is tucked towards the back of a dead end road, and therefore, it is not comparable to the proposed duplex on the main road.

We request you take these concerns into account before approving the proposal for a duplex on this lot. As residents of this neighborhood, the integrity and safety of our home and surrounding homes is of the utmost importance. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Trenton and Ashley Slagle

















