

To whom it may concern:

Before purchasing land to build a house, in the Northshore Town Center, my husband and I were told that the undeveloped land around the lake would be utilized for future retail and restaurants. This appealed to us specifically, due to the ability to live in a wonderful neighborhood and be walking distance to a variety of restaurants and retail shops. There isn't another neighborhood quite like the Northshore Town Center, regarding a nice neighborhood and walkability. Downtown is the only other part of the city that offers this, but as we know the downtown area would not be desired if left without restaurants and retail shops.

Overall, I am 100% opposed to the proposed development of that land to be multi-family space. I believe allowing that land to be further developed into a residential space (multi-family) will disrupt our neighborhood's quaint life, in addition to creating a burden of dense population within a relatively small area (with the current multi-family living spaces that already exist), creating more opportunities for the overall value of the neighborhood to decrease in monetary value, as well as increase traffic issues that currently happen with the current residents in this area.

I firmly believe that allowing this land to be used for restaurants and retail shops (and possibly other businesses such as doctor's offices, etc) would greatly increase businesses around this area (our exit off of Pellissippi) and become a more desired area for more growth and opportunity in general. If this land is used for more multi-family living accommodations, I believe this neighborhood will decline in desirability and livability. I foresee many neighbors moving away from this neighborhood, if this land is used in this undesired way. I know that our personal lives would be changed and challenged in an unexpected way which might drive us away from this area.

A lot of neighbors in our neighborhood allow their children to walk to and from school. With an increase in multi-family homes, I believe this will decrease that ability as we will be at an increased risk for misconduct. With an increase of possibility of more crime, drugs, and other unforeseen issues that are common statistics with multi-family housing, I firmly believe our neighborhood will no longer have the current trust we do today, in that we will be more alert and hyperaware of possible unwanted activity that correlates with our neighborhood.

I hope you can understand our extreme concerns for this proposed layover. Our intentions are sound as we want the best for our neighborhood and community.

Thank you,

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