

I am writing you today urging you to deny the Innsbruck Farms Concept Plan 3-SB-21-C. Our community is one that is a rarity in Knox County. From those of us who were raised and still live there (my family is raising the 5th generation on our property), ones who have returned to the area, or are new to us sought this area out specifically because of the type of community we have. The majority of our area consists of owners who own more than one acre up to 20+ acres. We still have working farms in this area, my family being one of them who rely on this for income. This type of dense development will destroy the atmosphere of our neighborhood and is one that our community holds strong hostility towards. I encourage you to look at the map that shows the area with this development added to it. There is a vast difference between the two. Drive around the community, there are protesting signs everywhere!

One good thing this proposed development has done is to push us to know our neighbors more and has bonded us together. But at the same time this has caused us great stress. It is stressful when you have worked hard and invested money, sweat, and tears into something to be proud of just to have one try to destroy it for their own good. Community is more than just people who live in the same area. It also means people who share the same interests, beliefs, and passion. We like our rural characteristic of the Ruggles Ferry Community. We do not want a development that will be the largest and densest in all of Knox County. We don't want the traffic (+4400 vehicles per DAY), the noise (construction and dense population noise), the destruction (beauty, woods, etc.), the mess (construction traffic, road mess, runoff), or the length of time for development (proposed to be 10 YEARS!). We have tried time and time again to work with the developer to no avail. **Mr. Chrisman is adamant this is the only way his money will work out.** After meeting with him last week, I personally fear this is designed for failure.

This isn't about development, this is about building as many houses as possible and making as much money as possible while he (Mr. Chrisman) can; then he'll walk away or fail along the way. There is nothing to protect my community in the future. This is our only way to be a part of the design. What if this fails and someone else buys it out. There are no restrictions that prevent someone from making a bad situation even worse.

We want to see development in our area; we need development in our area. But it needs to be development that mirrors what the community around it is about. I urge you to represent the community in this and deny this concept plan!

*Thank you for your time,
Andrea Foster*