

I am asking the County to disapprove the application to allow development of 1-E-22-RZ | 0E. Emory Rd. on the proposed property.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed rezoning and subdivision near the intersection of Emory Road and Tazewell Pike.

While the local community may be unable to prevent development, that will be detrimental to the area, nearly all residents in the Corryton neighborhoods are completely opposed to the addition of multi-family housing that will cause traffic and safety problems, create even more problems with schools that are already over-capacity, destroy local wildlife habitat, and potentially lower the property values of the existing community.

Traffic and safety of pedestrians are major areas of concern. Traffic jams at the four (4) way already span quite the distance. It is not uncommon for public safety vehicles to be slowed or hampered by the intersecting lanes, and the intersection, are routinely blocked by traffic turning, from all directions. While some consider the traffic lighter on average, the local neighborhood traffic will disproportionately surge during morning and evening rush hours, causing traffic issues during critical times for the existing Corryton resident's, public safety, and commuters. The traffic surge already during rush hours negatively impacts the commute during school hours. In general, the area traffic is continuing to increase, and heavy traffic is already common at times.

Environmental concerns: The project does not appear to fit many specifications of the community. Construction and pavement are close to the buffer zone of the water. The road surface, curbs, shoulders, drainage ways, and other necessary items to transport persons, vehicles, or storm water will negatively affect the area, both up and down stream.

In summary this proposal is bad for the intersection, and bad for Corryton. We are asking you to not allow this in our families back yards.