

PSmith Comments - 1-SB-22-C | 12041 & 12119 Hardin Valley Road

As a resident of Massey Creek, I have a large concern with the proposal to add 5 additional homes with adjoining driveways at the end of Mission Hill. The largest concern being that of safety. As it stands now, the driveways will be in front of the landscaped medians. The only way for the residents to access their driveways safely would be for them to do a u-turn at the end of all medians and circle back around to make a right into their driveway. This not only seems like an unfeasible way to flow traffic it also proposes additional concern of safety as those exiting down Mission Hill now must worry about oncoming traffic doing u-turns to access these driveways. I have witnessed a similar design in another Hardin Valley neighborhood (Ball Homes) where the resident decided that driving to the end of all the medians to make a u-turn took too much time and decided that they would turn in between two of the medians and drive up the wrong way as this was a shorter path to their driveway. I do hope that people here would have more consideration for the safety of their neighbors, but that is in no way guaranteed. In addition, it is inevitable that these houses will have cars parked on the street at one point or another which adds another layer of concern in terms of safety. Being that the boulevard was not designed to have driveways it seems bizarre that this would even be considered. On top of safety concerns, I would like to address the never-ending concern of infrastructure in the area. Hardin Valley is growing at a rate that the community cannot support. This same builder has already been approved to build houses on the adjoining property. When will you, as commissioners, consider the concern being raised by several Hardin Valley residents when it comes to infrastructure and aesthetics? I, along with several others, have made comments before. However, it seems to continue to fall on deaf ears. At what point will these concerns be considered and even more so be addressed. We ask for you to act now on our behalf, not only for the safety of our community but also the aesthetics that made Hardin Valley so desirable in the first place.