

FILE #11-E-22-RZ

LOCATION: South of E. Emory Road near intersections of Tazewell Pike and Findhord Boulevard

I am writing to ask you not to approve the rezoning of this property. Townhomes with 9 DU/AC will create not only an eyesore for this area, but it will create more traffic in an area that is already congested. There are also too many car accidents in this area. The road improvements have not successfully countered the current traffic, and this area cannot take the extra cars this development would put on the road.

I also do not believe the extra students has been properly counted. The application shows 40 new students. How is this possible with over 200 townhomes unless they are going to only allow that many children to live there?

Around this planned development there are single family residential, rural residential, and agricultural. The subdivision across from this land has 3.6 DU/AC. That is a stark contrast with this planned development. This is not an area that wants to see Townhomes and apartments start to take over. This brings people to the area that will only live here for a short time and are not invested in the beautification of the area that so many who live here take pride in. The local stores are not equipped to handle this influx of new people. I also believe that a Townhome development will make the local stores and the area less safe for the current residents. Not only will the basically temporary new residents not be a long haul resident who cares about the safety of the community, but they will bring with them more people as guests to the area, which will also increase the traffic flow and possible criminal behavior.

Overall, I do not believe the numbers are accurately reflected on the increased traffic or students attending the local schools. This rural area, filled with single residential homes, does not need, nor want, this type of development.

Thank you,
Michelle Macklin
Concerned Citizen and Local Business Owner