

Comments Against Sector Plan Change and Rezoning for 2707 E. Emory Road

I agree with the Staff's Recommendation and the two Public Comments to deny both the Sector Plan Change and the Rezoning. The list of 60 some businesses and offices allowed with the Rural Commercial zoning is overwhelming and totally unnecessary. One could travel three miles or less in either direction on Emory Road to easily find any commercial business needed. Approving this would seriously encourage additional unneeded commercial businesses on Emory Road while reducing the values of the homes and subdivisions on Emory Road. Traffic on Emory Road is both heavy and fast and there has been at least two accidents with a total of three or four fatalities. I live 200 yards from the parcel in question, and 90 feet off of Emory Road. A Captain with the Knox County Sheriff's office says it is too dangerous for anyone to turn left (West) on Emory Road because the East bound traffic is so steady and fast. Every time I turn left, it is a gamble on whether or not the coming traffic will miss me or not.

I read that there is, however, a need for residential land for homes and with 1.94 acres on this parcel, several new homes could be built.