

I could spend a lot of time on why this rezone is not a positive for our community. Chief among the reasons is the lack of infrastructure growth over the last several years. Neighborhoods continue to be approved based on the sector plan laid out in 2012 by the MPC, but the other improvements to our community outlined in that document have not been touched. It seems as if the only changes approved are funded by the private sector. I am not opposed to growth, but strategic growth is the key to a thriving community. Our schools can not handle these 65 houses plus the 33 being considered in Woodcreek Reserve plus the already approved 172 near Govt Farm on John Sevier. This is not to mention the other 700 dwellings approved in our area which have yet to be built. We are looking at the additional 830+ homes within the south knoxville area. Where will all of the children attend school? What will be done about the already horrific traffic situation? As it stands, an emergency vehicle would struggle to get through school traffic at South Doyle and Bonny Kate if necessary and adding 270 homes will make that significantly worse. The sector plan lays out a 5 and 15 year plan for our sector and the vast majority of the projects have not even been started 11 years after the adoption of this iteration of the sector plan. One of very few things which has remained faithful to the sector plan is the approval of more homes. I have spoken to our school board representative and they are already having to look for a South Knoxville schools solution due to issues already arising prior to these expansions. They already have concerns in our area and may even have to rezone if the trends continue which would upset several communities. For the information of the commissioners, there was a meeting of the South Knoxville Neighborhood Assoc. where around 130-140 members of the community met with Clayton representatives. I did not hear a single voice in favor of this at that meeting. Please consider our voice in opposition. Growth is understandable and inevitable. Growth without consideration for the infrastructure of the community is irresponsible. The list of reasons could go on and on, I look forward to speaking at the meeting. Thank you for your time.