

January 9, 2024

Subject: Disapproval of Rezoning of Land at 1630 Harvey Road Project (1-E-24-RZ)

Dear Knox County Planning Commission,

I am writing to express my disapproval of the proposed Rezoning of Land at 1630 Harvey Road. As a long-term resident (11+ years) and HOA President of Falcon Pointe (10+ Years - Current, 230+ residents), I have seen the growth of the area around us, yet that growth has not seen an equal change in support from our County and this Commission. While I appreciate the effort to expand the community, I am concerned about the lack of infrastructure support and poor road conditions in the area including the stretch directly in front of our subdivision. We will see an increase in traffic from this development not only from resident vehicles but also from other commercial services which will add to the problem. Furthermore, speeding and car accidents in the area have been on the rise, and the need for road widening and other safety measures (bike lanes, sidewalks) is even more clear. The size of the proposed development will also increase the demand and place more stress on our emergency and utility services.

I believe that this proposal (1-E-24-RZ) and anything similar brought in front of this Committee and Knox County Leadership be denied until the necessary infrastructure support is assessed, planned out and executed. This will ensure that the community can manage the growth.

I urge you to reconsider the project and consider my personal concerns and the concerns of the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Iram Rivera

Knox County Resident and Falcon Pointe Homeowners Association President