

Hello.

I'm a resident of FountainGate subdivision which is just up the road on Tazewell from the property in case 7-H-24-DP. We have experienced significant water issues in the neighborhood for many years. It seems that water from 5283 Fountainhead Ln runs off across the properties adjacent to FountainGate and into the creek running behind homes on FountainGate Rd. It then overflows the creek which creates flowing water and flooding issues to properties on FountainGate Dr, Justin Drive, Tazewell Pike, and the entrance to FountainGate Subdivision. Many homeowners have spent time and considerable financial resources to mitigate the water issues. Specific to my property, the previous owners installed a swale with piping along the back of our property to assist with the water issues. The concern myself and my husband have, as well as many residents in our subdivision, is that this development could create further water issues as the new homes will reduce the amount of rainwater that is absorbed into the ground. This will increase the water runoff to the creek, making it overflow and increasing the water that runs down to these homes and the subdivision entrance. I have included pictures (below) of the back of our property as a reference to the current issues. I am not opposed to the development on this land but would ask that Knoxville-Knoxville County Planning has the appropriate agencies thoroughly investigate the current water issues, that those agencies plan accordingly based on the proposed development, and that they require the developer to install culverts and retention ponds, or whatever other measures are necessary. And, if the water issues are exacerbated by this development, then the county would be prepared to mitigate these issues to the impacted homeowners on Tazewell and within FountainGate subdivision.

Thank you,
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