

I am writing to appeal to the commission to focus on the concerns of the East Knoxville community regarding this project. Please don't limit your impressions of the number of oppositions there are to this project by the number of people present at the meeting, as most are unable to attend daytime meetings during a work week. You should look at this project taking into consideration the impact on public utilities, road access and community opinion.

Consider what your concerns would be if you lived in our neighborhood.

This project went from RN1 to RN4, even at the protest of the community, and now we are here today trying to prevent even more allowances for a project that should never have been approved. Did this commission ever consider the concerns of this community? What are the plans to address the issues raised by this community? Is there a plan in place to improve the infrastructure in the short term to accommodate this project and at whose expense?

We are all expressing our strong opposition to this proposed housing development. This project compromises our current lifestyle and the reasons we now live in this area. As reiterated by many expressing their opinions, the problems this project brings to the neighborhood way out way the need for additional housing. The future residents of this proposed project will also be dealing with the issues this project presents.

This planned development is simply too large for our area and right behind this zoning request is another proposed project in the same area 3-SJ-25-C on Riverside Rd adding to the home density. The increase in population density would put a strain on our already insufficient infrastructure, leading to increased traffic congestion, noise pollution and more issues with our public services. Additionally, the construction of this project would result in significant environmental damage, destroying natural habitats and putting wildlife at risk.

Furthermore, the type of housing being proposed is simply not in keeping with the character of the neighborhood. It will drastically alter the aesthetic of the area when replacing the existing greenery with a high-density housing complex. Why not consider single family homes to tie into the existing community?

In conclusion, I strongly urge you to reconsider this proposed housing development, I believe that this project is simply not the right fit for our neighborhood. Thank you for your consideration, although the original rezoning protests of this project were previously ignored, I would hope you would give this the consideration deserved.