

I've read the comments that Heyoh Design and Development has made in response to the limitations placed on the development by the planning commission. The response shows no attempt to decrease the number of units in the development. There are discussions of amenities that the surrounding neighborhood probably would not use. There was a concession to remove 310 parking spaces....because the neighborhood is within ¼ mile of a transit route. According to the Census bureau ACS 5-year estimate from 2023, 94.32 percent of Knoxville residents drive to work or work from home, so I don't understand how this "concession" works. There is a discussion of walkability at the Brooks Road entrance. This entrance is at the bottom of a very dangerous hill when driving. No one will want to walk on this portion of Brooks Road.

I still strongly oppose any access on Riverside Road. There has been a conversation to just widen the road with no problems. In addition to being a narrow road, more than half of it is on a slope. As you leave the development and approach Delrose on Riverside, there is a gulch to address drainage that has been in place for over 50 years. If you widen the road, it will require extensive grading and increased stormwater runoff to the properties at the bottom of the hill.

In the end, there are simply too many units in this development. I find it particularly disheartening that no one associated with this development has reached out to meet with the community surrounding this property to try to understand our concerns.