

## Kerbela Shriner Site Public Comment

After reviewing the updates from CR-Endeavors, I'm extremely disappointed that they did not address any of the major concerns that both the community or the Planning Commission board mentioned during the last meeting. I attended that meeting, and it was very clear from all parties that there needed to be public access through the site, that the site needed to be developed for commercial/public use cases for the future, and that the aesthetics needed to be significantly improved. The new proposal by CR-Endeavors only lightly touches on the aesthetics of the building, and does absolutely nothing for the public access and future use cases of the property. This directly goes against the Vision Plan and the form-based code for this area. Their proposal does not meet the community or city requirements, and it is clear they have no desire to work with the community or city. If they actually cared about the community, then they would design a property development that adhered to the Vision Plan and the code, but it is clear they do not have the or city in mind, either for today or the future. This is a major disappointment and, frankly, an insult to our beloved city. Knoxville is a hot spot with many developers wanting to build here. If CR-Endeavors does not care about our community, then the city should deny their request. There will be many more developers trying to buy that site. As the Shriners mentioned, they have already had multiple offers. Let's pick a developer that actually cares about our community and is wholeheartedly willing to follow the Vision Plan and the code. Our city is too valuable to kowtow to a developer who is not willing to do the bare minimum.