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To: Council Coments <CouncilComments@jonesboro.org>

Subject: No More Curfew

Only a few months ago, the City was stumping for a new tax. Now you are killing business. How can you get any tax revenue with businesses faltering, and failing?

It's always been a joke of sorts, that small towns roll up their sidewalks at night. Do you want to be a small town? What about the recent push to recruit and keep young professionals? They do not want to live in that kind of town.

My husband and I aren't young, but we appreciate the same things. For example, my favorite night out, before all this started, was a show at the Fowler Center, with 10 o'clock dinner reservations at Roots.

The place was packed! People were buying mixed drinks, wine and food. While we were there, the band we had gone to see (from Juliard) came in to the restaurant to end their evening. I was proud that they could enjoy our town, in such a great place. All the servers, bartenders, cooks employed, and well as bringing more tax dollars into the City.

So, if want to turn Jonesboro into a "rinky-dink" town, keep the curfew. At that point, you might as well make it permanent, because no one will want to live here anyway.

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