

From: K. Humphrey [<mailto:sunshine57k@hotmail.com>]

Sent: Sunday, July 23, 2017 10:27 PM

To: David McClain <David.McClain@jonesboro.org>; Joe Hafner <Joeforjonesboro@gmail.com>; Charles Coleman <crcjab@sbcglobal.net>; Darrel Dover <ddover@nettletonschools.net>; Charles Frierson <cdfrierson3@hotmail.com>; clgrehabman@yahoo.com; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>; Mitch Johnson <johnsons3@suddenlink.net>; Bobby Long <blongicc@gmail.com>; chrismooreplumbing@yahoo.com; John Street <jwstreet@sbcglobal.net>; Gene Vance <GVance@jonesboro.org>; Ann Williams <edgecoffeehouse@hotmail.com>; Carol Duncan <CDuncan@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Ordinance 17-063

July 23, 2017

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to you tonight as a concerned citizen of Jonesboro. I am a long time resident and registered voter that takes the privilege very seriously! I want to let you know that I am very opposed to passing the following ordinance and the reasons why.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my extreme concern regarding the building of the 280 apartments and the rezoning ordinance proposal to amend Chapter 117, known as Ordinance 17-063 to rezone the property at the end of the Gladiolus Drive from C-3 to RM-14.

If this Ordinance is allowed to pass 280 apartments will be built there and that will be a disaster! Since I have lived in this area for over 25 years I have seen the "pros and cons" of the growth in this particular area. I have seen what happens to family community as a result of the "cons". It is quite evident that the traffic in the area of Harrisburg Road/ and Parker Road is already at capacity and anymore traffic will be a bigger problem. Just try driving in that area between 4:30-6:00pm! It is a total nightmare! In addition to the traffic issues already present, are the concerns for family safety with the potential for increased crime in the area, something many of us have experienced since the Gladiolas Estates and Gladiolas Manor apartments were built! I personally, along with many of my neighbors have had my automobile, parked in my driveway broken into and they took everything in it including my Bible and grand babies photo albums! This is unacceptable!

Other concerns include overburdening an already crowded school district, decreasing our ever shrinking green space, not to mention what apartments do to property value of homes that people have invested in for their entire lives! I have looked at the addresses of Mr. Ditta as well as the council members and I can see that he and many of the members do not live near this area with the exception of one or two so their property value and safety will not be threatened by this proposal. It is very disheartening to also realize that this issue was not made more public in the era of social media. I do not buy

the local newspaper and have spoken to many people in the last few days that also did not know about this proposal because the signage is placed so far at the back of the property that you cannot read it from the street! I feel like this makes the deal here look very sneaky and it is not a good reflection on our local leaders that knew of it!

I don't know if you are aware but there are a lot of folks networking to make sure our voices are heard and everyone I have spoken to about the proposal is strongly opposed to it.

I hope you take these concerns to heart and the impact that more apartments in this location will have on our community. We already have the Gladiolas Estates, Gladiolas Manor, The Links, The Greens, Park Lake Apartments, Dogwood Estates Apartments, and Dacus Apartments totaling hundreds of apartments in this one small area!

I implore you please do NOT pass Ordinance 17-063!

Sincerely,

J.K. Humphrey

From: Ed Lossing [<mailto:edlossing@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 6:52 PM

To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>; Derrel Smith <derrel.smith@jonesboro.org>; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>; Charles Frierson <cdfrierson3@hotmail.com>; Gene Vance <GVance@jonesboro.org>; Charles Coleman <crcjab@sbcglobal.net>; chrismooreplumbing@yahoo.com; Ann Williams <edgecoffeehouse@hotmail.com>; clgrehabman@yahoo.com; John Street <jwstreet@sbcglobal.net>; Mitch Johnson <johnsons3@suddenlink.net>; Joe Hafner <Joeforjonesboro@gmail.com>; Bobby Long <blongjcc@gmail.com>; David McClain <David.McClain@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Ordinance 17-063 to rezone the property located at the end of the Gladiolus Drive from C-3 to RM-14

Ordinance 17-063 is not a good idea for our community. Traffic at the convergences of Parker Rd, Harrisburg Rd and Interstate 555 is already a major congestion area. During the rush hour periods traffic North and South on Harrisburg Rd is almost impossible. Adding another complex of apartments right at the intersections will only compound the problems already being contended with.

There is already another restaurant (Arby's) being built at this intersection.

Surely there is a better, wiser use for this property than to add another 400 to 700 vehicles to what is already a major congestion point and a site that already ranks high in accident occurrences.

The above does not consider the effect that another apartment complex in our area will only worsen crowding and facility problems at the Nettleton School District and especially the Fox Meadows complexes.

We certainly need your help in resolving the issues we have, not adding to the problem.

Thank you.

Ed Lossing
3908 Brandywine Drive
Jonesboro, AR 72404

From: Angie Liggett [<mailto:aliggett@bpsbearcats.com>]

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 9:26 PM

To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>; Derrel Smith <derrel.smith@jonesboro.org>; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Ordinance 17:063

My name is Angie Liggett. My husband and I live at 505 Greenmeadow Lane. I'm writing to voice our concerns and disagreements with apartment project Ordinance 17:063.

We have lived here 23 years. The neighborhood and traffic flow have deteriorated significantly since the Gladiola apartments were built. Crime has gone up. This area cannot accommodate more traffic, foot or vehicular. This is a huge safety concern- wrecks every single day. The traffic at peak hours is horrendous. As a long time homeowner smack dab in the middle of this proposed apartment complex being built I want to cry and scream. Our property values were hit hard after Gladiola apts were built. OK. Now a committee will put out fate as taxpayers and homeowners as to if MORE apartments be built. Nettleton school will suffer greatly.

All we have is a voice to plead to our elected and appointed offices and council members. My husband and I have signed the petition and will be at the meeting August the first.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter and digest our concerns.

Sincerely,

Don and Angie Liggett

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Angie Liggett Special Education Teacher Brookland Jr. High (870) 932-2080 ext. 133 May your days always be special to someone.....♥

From: Craig Lee [<mailto:Craiglisalee@outlook.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 7:42 AM

To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>; Derrel Smith <derrel.smith@jonesboro.org>; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Ordinance 17:063

We are opposed to rezoning in order to add more apartments on Gladiolus Drive.

High density housing is not what Jonesboro needs.

The infrastructure is not being maintained nor upgraded to handle the current housing density and will be intolerable if more high-density housing is added.

Craig Lee
444 Silverstone Drive

From: L L [<mailto:grandisland64@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 7:44 AM

To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>; Derrel Smith <derrel.smith@jonesboro.org>; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

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Lisa Lee
444 Silverstone Drive

From: Trey Harguess [<mailto:trey.harguess@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 5:12 PM
To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>
Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>
Subject: AGAINST Ordinance 17:063

Mayor Perrin,

After learning about the apartment project, Ordinance 17:063, I felt strongly that I must express my families disagreement and concerns. I can sum up our concerns briefly with four words: TRAFFIC, crime, and property value. We happily chose this side of Jonesboro with those four words and take great pride in our city. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Trey and Bailey Harguess

From: Ronda Bryson [<mailto:dixiesmom65@gmail.com>]

Sent: Saturday, July 29, 2017 9:48 PM

Subject: Concerns

As a Jonesboro citizen and voter, I have some very real concerns about the planned apartments at the already horribly busy corner of Harrisburg Road and Parker Road. I don't feel that this would even be ready for a second reading IF the investors of the apartments would have followed protocol and notified local residents. A small single sign at the end of one road is not much notification. I can tell you that area is already stretching the infrastructure to it's limits. It can NOT take on 500+ more vehicles a day. Emergency responders already have a difficult time responding to accidents or tragedies in that area. Adding to the population and traffic is asking for fatalities, I hope that is realized.

Also the schools are at or near capacity at many grade levels. In some buildings regular non-classroom teachers are having to double up in rooms due to space issues. Nettleton has added onto many buildings in the passed few years and built several new buildings...yet are still overflowing.

Our family, along with many others, will be attending the council meeting. We will be watching the votes and the concerns, or lack thereof, of all involved so we will know how to cast our one votes in the future.

Ronda Bryson

From: Bonnie Kissee [<mailto:bonnie.kissee@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 11:42 AM
Subject: Proposal

Dear City Council Members and Mayor Perrin,

As a Jonesboro citizen and voter, I have some **very real concerns** about the planned apartments at the already horribly busy corner of Harrisburg Road and Parker Road. I don't feel that this would even be ready for a second reading IF the investors of the apartments would have followed protocol and notified local residents. A small single sign at the end of one road is not much notification. **I can tell you that area is already stretching the infrastructure to it's limits.** It can NOT take on 500+ more vehicles a day. Emergency responders already have a difficult time responding to accidents or tragedies in that area. Adding to the population and traffic is asking for fatalities, I hope that is realized.

Also the Nettleton schools are at or near capacity at many grade levels. Nettleton has added onto many buildings in the passed few years and built several new buildings...yet are still overflowing. In some situations, teachers/staff are being forced to share offices/classrooms/supplies etc...

Our family, along with many others, will be attending the council meeting. We will be watching the votes and the concerns, or lack thereof, of all involved so we will know how to cast our own votes in the future.

Thank you so much for your time and FULL consideration on this proposal.

Respectfully,
Bonnie J. Kissee

From: abryson@suddenlink.net [mailto:abryson@suddenlink.net]

Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 10:12 PM

To: clgrehabman@yahoo.com

Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Proposed apartments

I live close to the Harrisburg Road/Parker Road intersection. This is a very busy, dangerous intersection with the current heavy traffic flow. This area can not handle the additional traffic that an apartment complex would produce. Morning and afternoon traffic already backs up from this intersection to the Burger King intersection. Traffic is so congested that Central Baptist Church has a patrol officer directing traffic in order for traffic to exit the parking lot. Emergency vehicles are very limited when trying to maneuver this area. The infrastructure just can not handle this additional traffic.

This area is in the Nettleton School District and I know for a fact that the school district classrooms are overflowing and can not accommodate additional students. Nettleton School District does not have room for the additional students nor the additional teachers that would be required if these apartments are approved.

I hope our elected city council members will support the voters concerns and vote against allowing the construction of these apartments.

Greetings,

I am contacting you today to express opposition to ordinance 17-063, the rezoning of the land on Gladiolus drive. The reason I am against this ordinance is because I am a commuter from the Sage Meadows subdivision. I drive to my job on Parker Road every morning using Southwest Drive. The traffic on Southwest Drive is horrible, and it will be worse when schools are back in session. This is relevant because the proposal states that the drivers will have the ability to turn left onto Parker Road. With the traffic already being a headache, just imagine how worse traffic will become when you add potentially 280-560 more vehicles.

In addition, being a graduate of the Nettleton School District, I can tell you that the quality of education I received was the best. We were given almost one-on-one attention, which helped me excel as a student. By adding potentially 100-280 new students to the Nettleton School District, the classrooms will become overcrowded and the students will not receive the one-on-one attention that is needed. This will ultimately cause the students to become behind in the curriculum and cause the school to have lower educational rates than the ones they already have compared to other schools in the area.

Accordingly, I object to the implementation of this ordinance, and I would appreciate your support in blocking this bad decision.

Thank you,

Jessica Lack

To whom it concerns,

As a Jonesboro native and registered voter, I am writing to you to express my concern about the proposed apartments at the corner of Harrisburg Rd. and Parker Rd. I do not believe this proposal would be ready for a second reading even had the correct protocol been followed pertaining to notifying the local residents. As far as I know, only one small sign was put up, which seems to be very miniscule notification for such a large project affecting so many people. This area simply cannot handle the amount of new traffic these apartments would create. The Harrisburg road overpass, as well as Parker road in this area, is already a dangerous area to drive because of the amount of traffic. The amount of traffic that uses this area was shown a few weeks ago with the congestion all over Southwest Drive and Caraway due to the wreck that took place closing the overpass. It is unsafe for residents of the area, as well as difficult for emergency vehicles to navigate when so heavily congested.

It has also been brought to my attention that this area would be in Nettleton School District, which is already near capacity at many grade levels. With these additional living quarters, it would amplify this problem tremendously. As a Nettleton alumni, I do not want to see the education level of my alma mater suffer due to over population in the schools.

My final concern is one for crime levels. It is no question that the amount of apartments for a given area correlates with the amount of crime in that area. Several cities across the US have studies that document this correlation. This is already an area that struggles with crime, especially at the Dollar General and gas station across the road. I do not want to open the doors to increase this.

My family, as well as many others in this area will be attending the council meeting in regards to this proposal. We will be closely watching the votes and concerns, or lack thereof, in order to help make decisions on how our votes are cast in the future

Thank you for your time and consideration of this propose.

Respectfully,

Andrew Bryson
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
College of Medicine Class of 2020
870-931-2848

From: Ronda Bryson [<mailto:ronda.bryson@nettletonschoools.net>]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 10:08 PM
Subject: Proposal

Please do *not* vote to have the area around Harrisburg Road/Parker Road/South Culberhouse/Southwest Drive/South Caraway any more dangerous than it already is.

The infrastructure in that area is already having a really tough time keeping up with the amount of people and vehicles in the area. The roads are not holding up well. There are many accidents in those areas. With 280 more apartments, which could mean 500+ more occupants, things will only get MUCH worse. *Someone will be killed in that traffic and I pray it is not an innocent school child getting off a crowded school bus. Do you want to be partially responsible for that? I certainly don't. It terrifies me.*

How many accidents are recorded in those areas? I seem to remember a study done a few years ago. Parker/SW Drive and Parker/Harrisburg Road were on close to the top of the list of *worst intersections*. That was BEFORE neighborhood Walmart, the dentist office near there or the pharmacy at SW Drive was opened so multiple that risk now.

If safety/traffic isn't an issue, why does Central Baptist need an officer at least three days a week? Why does an officer sit near Exxon/Dollar General often? We are thankful they do stay there to keep us safer but sad there is a NEED for them to be there.

Respectfully, Ronda K Bryson

From: twirlypi@yahoo.com [<mailto:twirlypi@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 10:05 PM

To: Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org>

Subject: New Apartments

I have some concerns about the planned apartments at the already dangerous corner of Harrisburg Road and Parker Road. I don't feel that this proposal would even be ready for a second reading IF the investors of the apartments would have followed protocol and notified local residents appropriately. The current notification, a small single sign at the end of one road, is not much notification. **I can tell you that this area is already stretching the infrastructure to its limits.** It can NOT take on 500+ more vehicles a day. Emergency responders already have a difficult time responding to accidents or tragedies in this area. Adding to the population and traffic is asking for fatalities.

Also, the Nettleton schools are at or near capacity at many grade levels. Nettleton has added onto many buildings in the passed few years and built several new buildings, yet are still overflowing. In some situations, teachers/staff are being forced to share offices/classrooms. Homeowners in this area are already having a difficult time selling properties as is. These are just people who own the home they live in, not rental properties or "house-flippers". Houses are sitting on the market, a sellers market, much longer than homes in other areas because people do not desire to buy a \$350,000-\$500,000 home when so many \$600 apartments surround it.

Thank you so much for your time and FULL consideration on this proposal.

From: Debbie Roberts [<mailto:debbie.robertspln2015@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 4:15 PM

To: Harold Perrin <Harold.Perrin@jonesboro.org>; Derrel Smith <derrel.smith@jonesboro.org>; David McClain <David.McClain@jonesboro.org>; Joe Hafner <Joeforjonesboro@gmail.com>; Bobby Long <blongjcc@gmail.com>; johnson3@suddenlink.net; John Street <jwstreet@sbcglobal.net>; Ann Williams <edgecoffeehouse@hotmail.com>; Gene Vance <GVance@jonesboro.org>; Charles Frierson <cdfrierson3@hotmail.com>; Charles Coleman <crcjab@sbcglobal.net>; chrismooreplumbing@yahoo.com; clgrehabman@yahoo.com

Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Apartments to be built by the Harrisburg Walmart market

To all of the Jonesboro City Council members:

I am a life long resident of Jonesboro and my family has had several businesses in this town since 1948 when my grandfather started Massanelli Cleaners to my dad having a carpet store in the 70's and 80's. It saddens me to see that our town is gaining too many apartment complexes and it is hurting our schools by gross over crowding not to mention the crime rate at an all time high. Please consider the traffic in this area which is already horrible for residents and church goers. Not to mention the crime rate in these apartment complexes such as the Links and Gladiolius. It makes no sense to add to the already heavy traffic in this area. The Nettleton School district is also busting at the seams and will hurt our schools ability to keep up with new buildings and teachers to house more students. I beg you not to let this happen in our city.

Sincerely,
Debbie Peace Roberts
601 Oak Hollow Ln
Jonesboro, AR 72401

From: rbryson@suddenlink.net [<mailto:rbryson@suddenlink.net>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 11:38 AM

Subject: Proposal Vote

Please do not vote to have the area around Harrisburg Road/Parker Road/South Culberhouse/Southwest Drive/South Caraway any more dangerous than it already is. I am so afraid for the lives of those that travel that area daily or in some cases several times a day.

The infrastructure in that area is already struggling to keep up with the amount of people and vehicles in the area. The roads are not holding up well, there are potholes and the shoulders of the road are iffy in some areas. Please drive it yourself to see. There are many accidents in those areas. With 280 more apartments, which could mean 500+ more occupants, things will only get MUCH worse. Someone will be eventually be killed in that traffic and I pray it is not an innocent school child getting off a crowded school bus. I've witnessed some close calls myself. I don't think anyone wants to be responsible for the death of anyone, especially a child. Plus trying to get emergency crews to that area is a NIGHTMARE.

How many accidents are recorded in those areas? I seem to remember a study done a few years ago. Parker/SW Drive and Parker/Harrisburg Road were on close to the top of the list of worst intersections. That was BEFORE neighborhood Walmart, the dentist office near there or the pharmacy at SW Drive was opened so multiple that risk now.

I read that someone from the committee or wanting the apartments say a traffic study showed there wasn't an issue. How can that possibly be? If safety/traffic isn't an issue, why does Central Baptist need an officer at least three days a week? Why does an officer sit near Exxon/Dollar General often? We are thankful they do stay there to keep us safer but sad there is a NEED for them to be there.

With much respect, RL Bryson

From: ML Walters [<mailto:mlwalters2000@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2017 10:15 PM

To: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Cc: Carol Duncan <CDuncan@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Proposed apartments

I would like to formally object to the apartments that are before the city council near Harrisburg Rd. We bought our home near Harrisburg Rd. 21 years ago and there have already been dozens of apartments built out here. Just to pull out onto Harrisburg Rd. all you can do is say a prayer and floor it. Sunday mornings Jonesboro Police Department have to direct traffic for Central Baptist Church. The side streets over here are already falling apart and the more traffic we get the worse our streets become.

I suggest if Ditta and Arnold wish to build all these apartments they should build them in their own back yards and deal with the never ending traffic and the increase in crime. They are only concerned about the dollars going into their pockets and nothing else. They don't see or care about the law abiding, tax paying citizens who have lived in this area some of them up to 30 and 40 years.

Also I don't believe the tiny sign they have kept well hidden in the area should be legal in any shape, form or fashion. That was a dirty trick any way you look at it.

Yes I am a registered voter and am keeping an eye on the decision of the city council's vote. Do they work for the citizens of Jonesboro or just these 2 men?

Sincerely,
Marcia L. Walters

From: ML Walters [<mailto:mlwalters2000@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2017 10:15 PM

To: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Cc: Carol Duncan <CDuncan@jonesboro.org>

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Marcia L. Walters

(NOTE: THIS EMAIL WAS SENT TO ALL OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS)

Dear Ms. Williams:

As a resident of a single-family neighborhood, my husband and I purchased a house in the Brookstone addition because it was in a quiet, safe, uncongested neighborhood.

Now 3 years later we feel threatened by the proposal of an additional 320-280 apartments at the end of Gladiolas Drive as proposed in Ordinance 17-063 which seeks to change zoning from C-3 to RM-14. (The notification signs for this ordinance were placed in an obscure area which may have been legal but certainly not transparent to the surrounding neighborhoods!)

There are more than 1700 units within a two-mile radius of that area. And now they are proposing adding 320-280 more apartments! The traffic on Harrisburg Road and Parker road is very congested. Harrisburg/Parker is the second most dangerous intersection in Jonesboro with 23 traffic accidents reported since 1/1/17. The addition of more apartments is going to add more traffic to an already congested area.

This area already is already a high crime area with 588 calls to Jonesboro Police Department, Craighead County Sheriff's Department and Jonesboro Fire Department. Increased population in this area can only add to the strain on our city's infrastructure.

The addition of these apartments will also put undue strain on our school districts especially the Nettleton School District with overcrowding undue financial strain on resources.

These apartments will negatively impact our neighborhood and property value and quality of life with increased traffic and crime and we are opposed to the passage of this ordinance.

Danny and Joyce Glenn
447 Copperstone
Jonesboro, AR

From: Fred Yawn [<mailto:fredggolf@gmail.com>]

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 4:28 PM

To: Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org>

Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Ordinance 17-063

Mayor Perrin;

I ask that you and your council veto the ordinance to build the apartments near the existing gladiolus apartments. Our traffic south of Parker is already congested during the day and especially the evening. We don't want the risk of crime creeping into our established neighborhood. I have lived in the Mardis Addition for 50 years. I have stayed in this neighborhood because of it's safety and unity of our neighbors. I ask you to please consider our neighborhood as they voice their concerns over this. Thank you so much

Fred Yawn
511 Clay Dr
870-935-9129

From: Gunner Norwood [<mailto:gunnernash54@gmail.com>]

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 11:23 AM

To: Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org>; lj@ljbryant.com; Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: OPPOSE ORDANANCE 17-063

Please do not pass this ordinance!

Doing so will result in more crime in the future, because all apartments will always in time degrade and a lower class of tenants will occupy these new apartment in the future.

Traffic is already a problem in this area and will become worse. More accidents, more injuries, and much, much more headache for the people who live here and have bought property he long term.

What will this mean for the School district? More students without more funding? You tell me! I DO NOT WANT THE VALUE OF MY PROPERTY TO DECREAS WITH ALL THE WORK I'VE PUT INTO THIS PLACE. Not to mention I would like to stay here for the rest of my life but if places like this keep invading our community< I may no choice but to move in the future

If this passes I will be looking to elect other officials that care about the people who have invested in the property and homes in this area and the not the interest of some developer. Let the property turn into businesses that will produce more structure and jobs to the area and not apartments that will hurt this area and the people who live here!

Thank you,
Gunner Norwood

From: Norwood, Louis [<mailto:lnorwood@amgen.com>]
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 11:09 AM
To: Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org>; lj@ljbryant.com
Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>
Subject: OPPOSE ORDANANCE 17-063

Dear Mayor Perrin and city council members,

I strongly oppose this ordinance. Its bad enough that we have Gladiolus backed up to our part of town, but a new set of apartments is not what I want for our community. When we bought our house just before deploying to Iraq there was a golf course in the area and now its apartments. For now they look nice and well kept but so did apartment city off Johnson and Gladiolus when they were first build. This is a nice area with a lot of families that worked hard to get where they are, a good quite community, aside from the cars that speed up and down Forest Hill Rd. We have seen a spike in JPD calls to this area and to the existing apartment complex. I want what I worked/fought for to keep its' value and continue to grow in value while I am still here on this earth. I do not want crime to increase in this area, which it most certainly will even now as the Gladiolus apartments age and a less desirable tenants move in. There have been drug labs

blow up there and even guns shoots heard for these apartments.

Not to mention the traffic for Harrisburg road is terrible at the off ramp, morning traffic, afternoon traffic, and especially during Church hours. If you allow this 1700 unit complex to go up in this area you can most certainly count on this problem to grow exponentially. As traffic grows so will the incidents of accidents and injuries.

This area should be left Zoned C-3 so that businesses can move in and provide jobs to grow our economy and not apartments that will prove to an additional burden on our area.

If you approve this, I see the following happening:

1. Crime-increase
2. Traffic/accidents- increase
3. PROPERTY VALUES- DECREASE
4. Burden on school- increase
5. OUR RE-election VOTE--- VANISHED

Respectfully

Louis A Norwood Jr
Maj. US Army RET.
870-351-5270

-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Gail Lack [<mailto:pglack@suddenlink.net>]

Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 9:44 PM

To: Charles Frierson <cdfrierson3@hotmail.com>; Gene Vance <GVance@jonesboro.org>; Charles Coleman <crcjab@sbcglobal.net>; chrismooreplumbing@yahoo.com; edgecoffehouse@hotmail.com; clgrehabman@yahoo.com; John Street <jwstreet@sbcglobal.net>; Joe Hafner <Joeforjonesboro@gmail.com>; Bobby Long <blongjcc@gmail.com>; David McClain <DMcClain@jonesboro.org>; lj@ljbryant.com; Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org>

Cc: Donna Jackson <DJackson@jonesboro.org>

Subject: Our FB Group Page- Apartment 280

To: Mayor Perrin and all the City Council Members

We have been very busy in the past two weeks informing more area residents about Ordinance 17:063. Since we will not be able to present any new information at tomorrow's city council meeting, please feel free to browse our FaceBook Group Page- Apartment 280. I'm looking forward to the meeting tomorrow.

Thank you.

Patti Lack

Dear Mayor Perrin,

As a resident of Rossland Hills neighborhood, I would like to voice my opposition to the proposal to build 280 apartments at the intersection of Parker Road and Harrisburg Road. The traffic in this area is really congested and there are already too many apartments. Please vote no on this proposal. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jane Rees

Hello Mr. McClain,

My name is Joe Koch. I live at 340 Savannah Dr. in Jonesboro, Arkansas. I strongly oppose Ordinance 17-063 to rezone the property located at the end of the Gladiolus Drive from C-3 to RM-14. If this rezoning passes, it would allow 280 apartments to be built on the property between the Neighborhood Walmart on Harrisburg Rd and the Home Depot on Parker Rd.

My wife, Kelly Mears, used to be a resident at the Gladiolus Apartments. She often had things stolen and felt unsafe due to the conduct of other tenants. Should these new apartments be built, this same environment will stretch to within a simple tree line of our house (corner of Charleston and Savannah). This is unacceptable - especially if a second entrance is allowed into our subdivision. First and foremost, I would worry about my wife's safety as I often travel out of state. Secondly, theft will almost certainly increase. Third, traffic in our neighborhood will be horrendous. And finally, our property value will decrease such that many of the residents will be unable to relocate due to loss of equity.

We are angry that the proposed rezoning was done in sneaky fashion (inconspicuous signs, etc.), hoping that residents would not find out until it is too late. I can promise you that our growing list of concerned citizens feels the same.

Please consider these points when it comes to vote.

Thanks,

Joe Koch

From: Eric Kriner <eric.kriner@smail.astate.edu>
Date: August 12, 2017 at 2:00:40 PM CDT
To: joeforjonesboro@gmail.com
Subject: 2814 Wood Street Issue

Mr. Hafner,

If you would be so kind as to take a look at this opposition video to the 2814 Wood Street rezoning, I would really appreciate it. It illustrates some of the proponents statements to the MAPC which were not made before the city council that we believe are very relevant to the discussion. Also included are some pictures of the property from the residents' perspective.

Please consider voting to deny the rezoning request.

Respectfully,
Eric Kriner

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VsRyZ-b2MIM>

My husband and I are very concerned about this issue, please everyone attend the August 15 meeting. We did not build our retirement home in a secured subdivision just to have it ran through as a traffic get away for apartments that are not wanted, needed, or beneficial for anything other than the builders financials. All the residents have worked very long and hard and paid all their city, state and federal taxes to have a quite and SAFE place to live. In addition to retirement homes there are family homes with all age of children, whom ride their bikes, play basketball and many other family activities. So can you put a price tag on the safety of our children?

Theresa Crossfield