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To: City Clerk <CityClerk@jonesboro.org>
Subject: Fwd: City Council Meeting Dec1,2020

Attached is an email that Ron Blackburn sent me regarding ORD-20:049. Please add as an attachment to the agenda item in Legistar.

I'm also going to forward an email from Craig Light with answers to Mr. Blackburn's questions.

Thanks,

Joe

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From: ron blackburn <ron.blackburn@suddenlink.net>
Date: Mon, Nov 30, 2020 at 9:48 AM
Subject: City Council Meeting Dec1,2020
To: joeforjonesboro@gmail.com <joeforjonesboro@gmail.com>

Hello Joe, I am sending you this email because I do not have the technical skills needed to comfortably deal with the Virtual City Council meeting being held tomorrow evening. I am asking you to read my statement below when comments can be made from the floor regarding ORD – 20:49. Please confirm this request via an email reply or you can contact me @ 870-761-5572. Thanks in advance.

Ron Blackburn

798 Brownwood Circle

Alderman Hafner, thank you for having Chief Engineer Craig Light address the City Council on Nov 17 regarding the “Traffic Impact Study” that was triggered by another Savannah Hills rezoning request. Would you please present this list at the virtual City Council meeting on Tuesday December 1.

It is important that complete transparency of this action remains in the forefront for all citizens of Jonesboro to understand the requirements listed in the “2020 Master Street Plan” adopted last June. I believe this will be the first time that an impact study will be required.

With that said, a multitude of questions come forth:

- Who and how will an outside Traffic Engineer firm be selected?
- When will this study be conducted?
- What is the length of time allowed for the study?
- Will lower traffic counts due to the Covid crisis be taken into consideration?
- Will unbuilt apartments in this complex be taken into account?
- 109 from January 2018
- 24 from July 2020
- 42 from the current rezoning request
- 175 Total
- Will future projections of the possibility of an additional 500 apartments be considered?
- Who negotiates the cost of the study?
- Does the city gather and contribute information used in the study?
- Does the city charge the developer for this use of manpower?
- Who is responsible for payment of the study?
- Will a neighborhood meeting be held for citizen input?
- Who will conduct the necessary street improvements?
- When will those improvements be completed?

- What is the meaning of Mitigation?
- Will there be a legal and binding agreement between the city and developer for payment of the street improvements?
- **Does all of the above action have to take place before a building permit can be issued?**

Please remember that this study should be for the benefit of all citizens living in and around the affected area who use Harrisburg Road (minor arterial) not just the feeder streets leading from the apartment complex.