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Fwd: 8-D-15-UR Request from Neighbor of Proposed Development (Weigel's)

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Dan Kelly <dan.kelly@knoxmpc.org>
To: Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Aug 12, 2015 at 7:30 AM

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From: **Chris Hammond** <hammit1982@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Aug 11, 2015 at 6:00 PM
Subject: 8-D-15-UR Request from Neighbor of Proposed Development (Weigel's)
To: dan.kelly@knoxmpc.org

Dear Mr. Kelly,

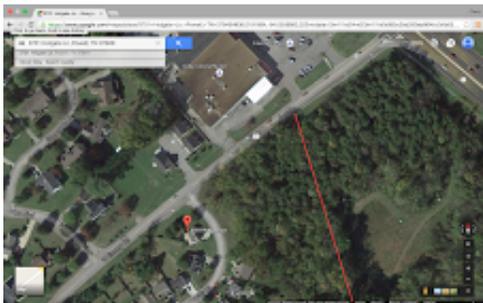
Attached is the letter to the MPC that I have addressed about the proposed Weigel's in Powell at the corner of W. Emory Rd. and Clinton Hwy. Please forward this to all members of the MPC, as I will be unable to attend the meeting on August 13, 2015, at 1:30 pm, due to work. I am a Knox Co. school teacher and have class during that time. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Chris Hammond
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Chris Hammond, M.Ed., RRT

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2 attachments

MPC Aerial View Weigels near Holgate Lane.png
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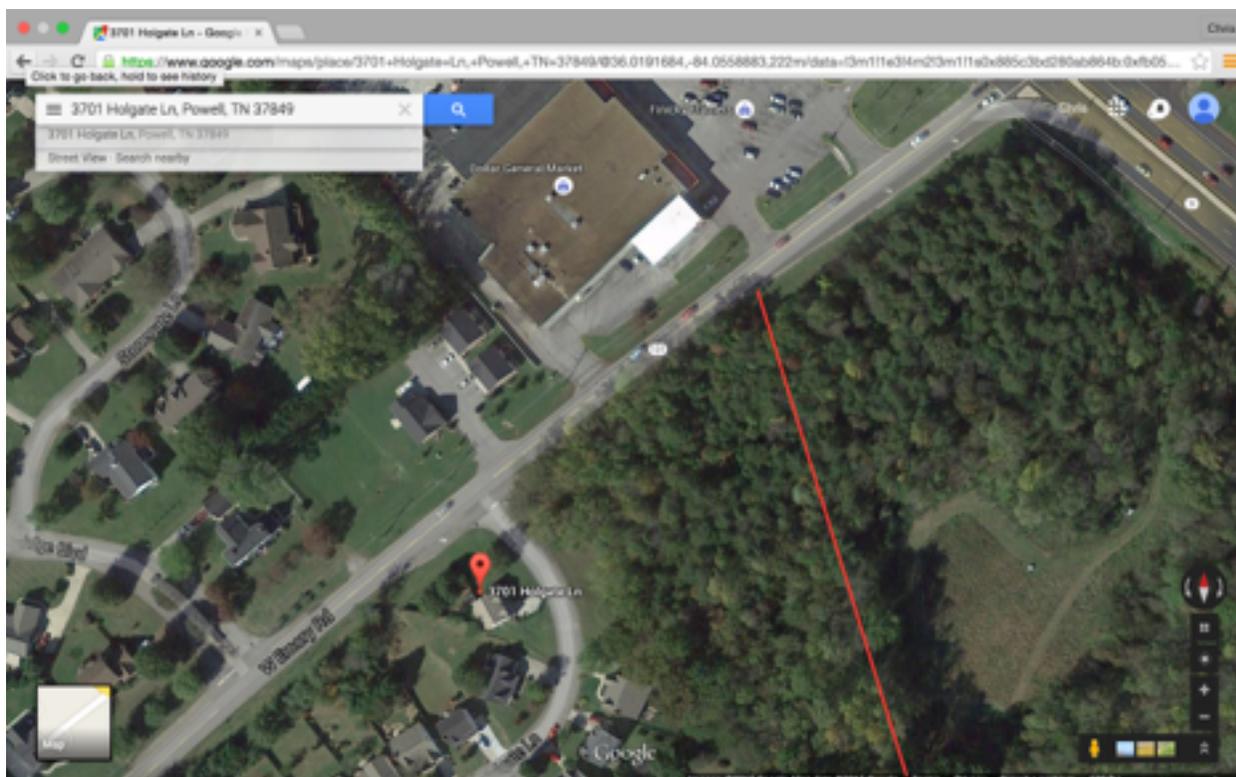
 **Letter to MPC regarding Weigels in Powell.pdf**
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8/11/15

Subject: 8-D-15-UR, Southeast side of W. Emory Rd.

Dear Knox County Metro Planning Commission,

Hello, my name is Christopher Hammond. I received a "Notice of Public Hearing" regarding a proposed development of a new Weigel's store near my property (File number 8-D-15-UR). I am a public school teacher, so I am unable to attend the hearing scheduled for August 13, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. I will be in the middle of teaching a class and I did not receive the notice well enough in advance to request off. My property is located at 3701 Holgate Lane, Powell, TN, 37849. I am the first house on the right as you turn into our subdivision. This means that the front of my house faces directly to the back of the property that Weigel's is going to develop. First, I would like to say that I am not opposed to a Weigel's coming in near me. I have been a longtime customer and I think their new stores look very nice. However, I do have a request of the MPC: please add a requirement to leave a sufficient tree buffer (the trees to the right of the red line on the map). After speaking with a couple of neighbors, we have concerns about privacy, noise, and light pollution. While we are not opposed to the development of the land, we feel like leaving a stretch of these trees up near the border of the Weigel's property and our subdivision is vital to our property value, privacy, and our way of life. While I certainly understand that Weigel's has a lot of money invested in this property and wants to maximize their investment, the people of our neighborhood have a lot of money invested in our homes and property as well. I have created a diagram on Google maps to give you a visual perspective of this request. I spoke to Mr. Bill Weigel personally on the phone on August 9, 2015. In that conversation he stated that they were going to leave only 50 feet of trees. While I respect Mr. Weigel and his company, I feel like this distance is insufficient to address the concerns mentioned above; if trees were left at a depth up to the middle entrance of the shopping center across the street, that would be a more efficient buffer. We would really appreciate it if you all could require the trees to the left of the red line in aerial photo to be left standing:



Please understand that I am not trying to be difficult or confrontational, but merely trying to protect my property investment, as are my neighbors across the street. Weigel's is a well respected business in Powell and has a good reputation with maintaining a harmonious relationship with our community. The residents of Gleenbrook subdivision/Holgate Lane are seeking to continue that relationship. Please take this request and consideration seriously, as we all care about our neighborhood. Thank you!

Respectfully,

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