



Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Use on review File 1-I-18-UR

1 message

Hill C C <clarencechill@bellsouth.net>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 10:38 AM

Reply-To: clarencechill@bellsouth.net

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Cc: Hill Ann <ahutonahill@icloud.com>, mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org

Commission members:

The purpose of this message is to provide comments, identify concerns, request certain actions and express opposition to the proposed "detached residential subdivision" development located on Broome Road immediately adjacent to our property located at [718 Broome Road](#) where we have lived for 28 years. Our property shares an approximately 700 feet property line with the proposed development area. The plan would negatively impact the uniqueness of our property. The development is proposing to subdivide approximately 12.5 acres into 45 residential lots including the construction of a public road that intersects Broome Road. The proposal involves extensive deforestation, clearing, and excavation to achieve the proposed finished grade contours. Over half the area is currently forested with 50 + year old hardwood trees and is an area with very steep slopes.

The proposed development will:

- create unsafe traffic conditions at the intersection of the new public road and Broome Road,
 - result in an increase in the hazards of traveling on Broome Road due to the increase in traffic on Broome Road,
- and
- create a nuisance during development construction.

The proposed development plan shows a new public road (entrance to subdivision) intersecting Broome Road from the southeast which is adjacent to and within a only a few feet of our property line and our private driveway which also intersects Broome Road from the southeast at the property line. The proximity of the public road intersection to our driveway will create unsafe access and egress to and from our property and to and from the proposed subdivision. The location and design of the intersection is contrary to good engineering practices. The location of the new public road intersection with Broome Road relative to my driveway is unacceptable and must be relocated.

Additionally, the increased traffic volume created by the addition of 45 residences combined with the other proposed and newly initiated developments along Broome Road warrants a comprehensive traffic study that considers the combined traffic flow impacts resulting from the proposed and newly initiated developments for which Broome Road serves as an access/egress route. Therefore, we request that an independent comprehensive traffic study be provided for the commission's consideration and the results of that study be a major consideration in the decision for the safety of the public.

Additionally, the deforesting, land clearing, and excavating of the currently vegetated and forested area will displace wildlife and destroy any sensitive plant and animal species that may inhabit one of the few remaining diverse habitat areas between I-40 and Middlebrook Pike in the West Hills area. Therefore, we request:

- a. An independent sensitive plant and animal species survey be conducted and the commission heavily weigh the results of the survey in your decision, and
- b. The 25 feet peripheral setback along our 700 feet property line be designated as a "No Disturbance Area" except for removal of invasive species such as privet.

Additionally, the control of stormwater during construction and post construction will require extreme controls due to the very steep slopes and drastic changes in ground cover. Sediment leaving the construction area will deposit on off-site private property and add to the sediment load in the Ten Mile Creek watershed. The rate of post construction runoff will exceed pre-construction runoff rate unless extreme control measures are taken, further impacting the Ten Mile Mile Creek watershed. Therefore, we request that the commission require the applicant to provide professional engineer stamped detailed plans and calculations demonstrating the impact on the quality and rate of stormwater entering the tributary to Ten Mile Creek and the commission consider such information in your decision.

In consideration of the concerns identified, we request that the proposed development Use on Review be either tabled, denied or at least postponed.

Thanks you for your consideration.

Regards,

Clarence and Ann Hill

[718 Broome Rd, Knoxville, TN 37909](#)

[865 556 6007](#)

[865 640 6008](#)



Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Development of property in West Hills

1 message

'rejophil' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 10:44 PM

Reply-To: rejophil@aol.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Please postpone proposal scheduled for Thursday concerning housing development planned for property near corner of Broome Road and Middlebrook Pike. There has been no meeting of developer with residents who will be impacted by rumored densely populated space. More information must be made available to West Hills' homeowners before this project is given a green light.

Thank you.

Dr. and Mrs. William J. Schneider
706 Westborough Rd.

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Proposed development off Brooke Rd

1 message

'Glen Vesser' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 10:01 PM

Reply-To: glenvesser@yahoo.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

I am a resident of Westborough, which is off of Broome Road. There is a proposed development for 45 houses on 12 acres of land on Broome Road. I feel that this land is not able to have 45 houses built on it. The land is steep, and there are too many houses for such a small area. This is an area of West Hills that has larger lots and houses are of good construction. The developer has not shared his/her vision of the proposed homes with the West Hills and other area HOAs. I feel that the MPC meeting to discuss this proposal should be postponed until the developer and the area HOAs can discuss the proposal and our concerns.

This area is heavily traveled, and we do not need the additional traffic that 45 homes would create. I humbly ask that you postpone a decision on this matter until all affected parties can talk. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Vesser III

Sent from my iPhone

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Proposed subdivision on Broome Road

1 message

Andrew Schmudde <andrewschmudde@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 11:06 PM

Reply-To: andrewschmudde@gmail.com

To: Commission@knoxmpc.org

Members of the commission:

I am a long-time resident of the West Hills community and have the pleasure serving on the West Hills Community Association executive committee. WHCA is one of the oldest community associations in Knoxville and the state, and represents the interests of more than 1,250 homeowners.

I have just learned via email from a Broome Road neighbor that an MPC notice sign was recently placed on that street announcing this coming Thursday's (1/11) hearing to approve The Cove development designed to build 45 houses on the 12-acre parcel. This proposal as described is unacceptable and if allowed to proceed, will have a very detrimental affect on our community from several different perspectives.

Specifically, I am concerned with the following issues:

1. The density far exceeds the established density of adjoining properties and that of the West Hills community in general, thus jeopardizing the integrity of the neighborhood.
2. There is not a good location with a line of sight to allow for safe access to Broome Road.
3. Broome Road is too narrow and poorly constructed thus making additional traffic generated by such a development an increased hazard to the neighborhood and for those who travel this road.
4. The hilly terrain, unknown geologic condition, and restrictions of the Ten Mile Creek watershed raise concerns about storm water management.
5. The developer has made no effort to have a dialogue with the community or immediate neighbors of the site. Not having heard from those who live adjacent to this property, I doubt if any folks even know about the project. This casts doubt on the intentions of the developer and his regard for the welfare of the community and desire to be a positive force and a good neighbor.

I ask the commission to please postpone the scheduled hearing for at least 90 days to allow time for representatives from West Hills and the developer to meet and better understand each side's desires and concerns.

Respectfully,

Andrew Schmudde



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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Re: Thursday 1/11/18 MPC Hearing Regarding 45 houses on 12 acres along Broome Rd

1 message

Marymargaret Rosenbloom <marymargaretrose@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 10:48 PM

Reply-To: marymargaretrose@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Dear Members of the MPC:

As members and residents of the West Hills Community Association and the Westborough Neighborhood Association, we are writing to request that the matter re: proposed construction of 45 houses on 12 acres of land along Broome Road **OR** any other alternate or additional construction being proposed for same property be postponed for hearing until community members have had a chance to meet with the developer and discuss proposed development.

The magnitude of such project warrants detailed analysis of impact on neighborhood traffic, density exceeding established WH standards of adjoining homeowners, neighborhood integrity, storm water control and any other such concerns as may be raised by WH neighbors regarding such a large scale development and the amount of pressure it produces on an already strained connecting road (Broome Road). Any and all new developments impacting Broome Road increase already established concerns that this small neighborhood connector is being overused at the risk of increased traffic complications, traffic safety, and crime control.

Thank you for your consideration to postpone hearing until such time as all affected parties have had a sufficient chance to provide input on the effect of such new construction on Broome Road.

Sincerely,

Dr. & Mrs. Scott Rosenbloom
605 Kempton Road

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[MPC Comment] Wanda Moody's lot on Broome Road.

1 message

erikajfuhr@comcast.net <erikajfuhr@comcast.net>

Tue, Jan 9, 2018 at 9:44 PM

Reply-To: erikajfuhr@comcast.net

To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Broome Road cannot handle safely the traffic we currently have, we have a Retirement Center being built, the possibility of traffic from Friendship Church dumping on to Broome Road and now another development.

I urge you to stop this latest effort at infill into every open space in residential areas. Aside from the assault on Broome Road residents and life as we have known it we must now fear for our lives as we navigate the road to and from our homes.

Broome Road is a very narrow road, without a shoulder on much of it, hills and curves the entire length and is not capable of handling safely the traffic it already has, not to mention the additional traffic of 30 more homes.

When my 3 kids were at home and working various jobs while my husband and I also worked I counted the trips up and down the driveway in and out and was dismayed that most days we were between 25 and 30. Please do not underestimate the amount of traffic you are creating and please consider the safety of all involved.

In addition I am concerned about further earthmoving and the effect of redirected water on those living downstream from this area. We already have pictures of fences washed off their pillars by the force of water and flooding at Kinzlow Canal.

You should not disregard the safety of the people of West Hills when you consider this new development.

Thank you,

Mrs. Joseph (Erika) Fuhr

623 Broome Road

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Smartphone

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Broome Road development under consideration

1 message

Danni Varlan <dannivarlan@gmail.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 9:04 AM

Reply-To: dannivarlan@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

I am a West Hills resident and have concerns about the housing development being considered on Broome road. The developer has had no contact with our neighborhood association and that in itself raises a big flag. Broome Road is already a very dangerous entrance and exit road and adding dozens more houses to the mix is a concern. Danni Varlan

Sent from my iPhone

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[MPC Comment] Broome Road Development

1 message

Megan Erpenbach <Megan.Erpenbach@knoxvillecatholic.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 9:06 AM

Reply-To: megan.erpenbach@knoxvillecatholic.com

To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Hello MPC,

Happy New Year! I have seen a sign along Broome Road about an upcoming hearing regarding some land on Broome Road and a proposed development of 45 homes. Please consider postponing this hearing (1/11) for a later date. Our neighborhood has just learned of this development and we need time to meet with the developer and voice our concerns with him.

If you haven't driven along Broome Road lately, I suggest that you do. It is a narrow road with lots of homes along it. Should you allow a 45 unit neighborhood to be built, the traffic will increase greatly and negatively impact our neighborhood. Not to mention, that a development of that size will greatly exceed the density standards of current West Hills homes.

We have a terrific neighborhood and we are not opposed to development. I just don't see the need to rush this one. We'd love the opportunity to talk with the developer and discuss his ideas.

Thank you for your consideration.

Megan Locke Erpenbach

Community Relations Coordinator

Knoxville Catholic High School

[9245 Fox Lonas Road](#)

[Knoxville, TN 37923](#)

[865.560.0509](#)

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Proposed 45 home development in West Hills off Broome Road

1 message

'Megan Vesser' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 8:32 AM

Reply-To: meganvesser@yahoo.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

MPC,

I respectfully request that you postpone the hearing on the above project until we, the current homeowners in the area, have had a chance to meet with the developer to understand their intentions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Megan Vesser
724 Westborough Road

Sent from my iPhone

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Proposed project for 45 homes on 12 acres of Broome Road

1 message

Pam Douglass <panda8005@gmail.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 9:09 AM

Reply-To: panda8005@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Cc: Leland C Hume <leehume@utk.edu>

We are writing to express our extreme concern for the proposed development of 45 homes on Broome Road. We have lived in West Hills for 27 years, and we re well aware of drainage problems that can develop quickly with severe storms in this area. In addition, the traffic on this road is already far too much to handle another development. The new nursing facility already being built will add significant traffic to this narrow road, and another 45 homes is unthinkable! This developer has not involved the West Hills Community Association at all in these plans. This is a very active and concerned community association and should be involved. Please vote "No" and do not approve this development!

Pam and Allen Douglass
8005 Corteland Dr
Knoxville, TN 37909

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[MPC Comment] proposed 45 houses on Broome Road

1 message

FRED ALEXANDER <alexanderfa@comcast.net>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 11:14 AM

Reply-To: alexanderfa@comcast.net

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Having lived in West Hills since 1959 I know narrow Broome Road is dangerous!Cramming 45 houses into the proposed location would not be prudent.For the sake of the community I implore you not to approve this proposal.Thank you for your understanding.Fred Alexander

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Cove in West Hills 1-I-18-UR

1 message

Dearden, Boyd L <bdearden@utk.edu>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 12:13 PM

Reply-To: bdearden@utk.edu

To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Members of the commission:

I am a 43 year resident of the West Hills community and have just learned via email from a Broome Road neighbor that an MPC notice sign was recently placed on that street announcing this coming Thursday's (1/11) hearing to approve The Cove development designed to build 45 houses on the 12-acre parcel. This proposal as described is unacceptable and totally out of character with the West Hills community in general. If allowed to proceed, will have a very detrimental effect on the West Hills community.

Since this is the first time the West Hills Community Association was even aware of the proposed development, it seems reasonable that the commission should postpone the scheduled hearing for at least 90 days to allow time for representatives from West Hills and the developer to meet and better understand each side's desires and concerns.

Respectfully,

Boyd Dearden

732 Kempton Rd

West Hills Community Association

Executive Committee Member

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[MPC Comment] Fwd: Broome Rd. Subdivision

1 message

Mike Reynolds <mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org>
Reply-To: mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org
To: Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 12:51 PM

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From: **dapsihogios** <dapsihogios@aol.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 9:15 AM
Subject: Broome Rd. Subdivision
To: mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org

Mr. Reynolds,

I am adamantly against the Broome Rd. subdivision. How are these people allowed to do these projects and no one in our neighborhood is included in the discussion. The senior citizen complex is a blight in this neighborhood and now to add insult to injury we're going to add 4 houses to an acre in this new subdivision? That goes against our zoning and is detrimental to our property values. Again does anyone care that Broome Rd. is dangerous? We're going to have additional traffic in a neighborhood that is already overwhelmed? I bet this wouldn't be allowed in the subdivisions that the MPC members live in. Add to that the church wanting an entrance on the same road. Who is making these decisions? What has to be done to stop this insanity?

Diane Psihogios
865-693-2003
dapsihogios@aol.com

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] Sleepless Night b/c 1-SF-18-C 1-I-18-UR

1 message

Debra Smith <debra@wetn.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 11:58 AM

Reply-To: debra@wetn.com

To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Dear MPC Members:

Once again we are faced with DANGERS concerning Broome Road. The most recent application (above) lead has lead to sleepless nights thinking about the new concerns that would come with approving this development.

Currently under construction:

- Senior Living Center next to proposed development

On Hold until February:

- Fellowship Church (exit onto Broome Road)

On Review 1/11/18:

- The Cove in West Hills (45 homes on 12.2 acres)

Broome Road was not intended for what it has become - a major thorough fare. We live directly on Broome and find it increasing more and more dangerous DAILY to simply enter/exit our driveway.

ALL of the above projects are located with several hundred yards of each other. How much more activity can this road/curve handle when the road is not up to minimum stand widths to start with? Estimated traffic impact 497 per day just from the proposed development! This does not include the other mentioned items above that will increase the fore mentioned number. Let's not forget the others that use Broome as a cut through to Middlebrook 24 hours a day or the heavy equipment trucks that will be coming and going at both entrances (Gallaher/Middlebrook Pike). Someone will be killed or injured it's a matter of time.

WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CONSIDER NOT APPROVING this development as it is currently (you have other letters from neighbors stating why so I won't reiterate). Let us put it on hold until a dialogue can be had with the developer. We are a strong community and believe in communication, we expect the same from others. Major concerns deserve DIALOGUE, it's the FAIR and RIGHT thing to do.

We will be present at tomorrow meeting along with others. Would you kindly consider our concerns when making your recommendation. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE.

Frank & Debra Smith

West Hills Executive Committee Members 2018

538 Broome Road

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] development in West Hills on Broome Road

1 message

Anne Crais <anneccrais@gmail.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 2:40 PM

Reply-To: anneccrais@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Dear Commissioners,

I just want to voice my concern and opposition to this development of 45 houses on 12 acres in our area. Please consider this beautiful area with large lots and nice homes as this development does not keep with the same integrity that we are used to having.

The traffic impact would be horrible on Broome Road and Middlebrook Pike. We plan to attend the meeting on Jan. 11 at 1:30 pm to show our opposition.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Anne Crais
[6818 Haverhill Drive](#)
[Knoxville, TN 37909](#)
[865-360-9008](tel:865-360-9008)

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] MPC notice sign THE COVE DEVELOPMENT on Broome Road Knoxville

1 message

vmdred49 via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 2:41 PM

Reply-To: vmdred49@aol.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Members of the Commission:

I am a resident of the West Hills community. WHCA is one of the oldest community associations in Knoxville and the state, and represents the interests of more than 1,250 homeowners.

I have learned via email from a Broome Road neighbor that an MPC notice sign was recently placed on that street announcing this coming Thursday's (1/11) hearing to approve **The Cove** development designed to build 45 houses on the 12-acre parcel. The ORIGINAL proposal as we have now learned was for **4 to 5 houses NOT 45**. This is proposal as described is unacceptable and if allowed to proceed, will have a very detrimental affect on our community from several different perspectives.

I am concerned with the following issues:

The density far exceeds the established density of adjoining properties and that of the West Hills community in general, thus jeopardizing the integrity of the neighborhood.

2. There is not a good location with a line of sight to allow for safe access to Broome Road. This traffic would be in addition to the increased traffic generated by Fellowship Church as well as the new senior living center currently under construction on Broome Road

3. Broome Road is too narrow and poorly constructed thus making additional traffic generated by such a development an increased hazard to the neighborhood and those who travel this road.

4. The hilly terrain, unknown geologic condition, and restrictions of the Ten Mile Creek watershed raise concerns about storm water management.

5. The developer has made no effort to have a dialogue with the community or immediate neighbors of the site. Not having heard from those who live adjacent to this property, I doubt if any folks even know about the project. This cast doubt on the intentions of the developer and his regard for the welfare of the community and desire to be a positive force and a good neighbor.

I ask the commission to please **postpone the scheduled hearing for at least 90 days** to allow time for representatives from West Hills and the developer to meet and better understand each side's desires and concerns.

Respectfully,

Richard DuByne
[538 Broome Road](#)

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] New proposed development on Broome Road

1 message

'Louis whittemore' via Commission <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 2:16 PM

Reply-To: louis.whittemore@yahoo.com

To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Hello,

My name is Louis Whittemore and I own a home on Lennox Drive bordering this proposed project.

My understanding is that 45 homes would be built on ONLY 12 acres of land. This is definitely an unacceptable number of homes on that volume of land. Most all of the surrounding homes have at least 1/2 acre with many having multiple Acres associated with their homes. This would definitely create an undesirable effect on West Hills and Bennett Place subdivision as it is not consistent with its surrounding properties.

I think another issue that should be addressed is the line of sight and the volume of cars that would be on Broom road that is already saturated with traffic.

My property has a huge water shed and a culvert on the western side of the property this extends into the proposed subdivision and would also decrease the land usage in that area. This would even make the lot smaller considering the road setbacks easements that would be Associated not to mention the ecological drainage system that it would affect.

Please DO NOT APPROVE this project as planned and let's compromise to make this a better outcome for our community and everyone that is involved.

Thank you for listening and valuing my opinion as a constituent, home owner and member of West Hills Community.

Louis Whittemore
8003 Lennox Drive
Knoxville, TN 37909

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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Betty Jo Mahan <bettyjo.mahan@knoxmpc.org>

[MPC Comment] The Cove Development

1 message

Jessica Curtis <coffee8594@gmail.com>

Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 1:09 PM

Reply-To: coffee8594@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Good Afternoon

I have just learned via email from a Broome Road neighbor that an MPC notice sign was recently placed on that street announcing this coming Thursday's (1/11) hearing to approve The Cove development designed to build 45 houses on the 12-acre parcel. This proposal as described is unacceptable and if allowed to proceed, will have a very detrimental affect on our community from several different perspectives.

I have two toddler girls. I'm already terrified to let the girls be in our front yard. When I'm out doing yard work I have to put them in a stroller so they can be with me and not as in much danger. Adding 45 with a possibility of 90 plus car to Broome road is reckless. Broome road is already high traffic street due to Gallagher and Middlebrook. Please don't make our street that more populated.

Our driveway has a wall, and when it rains we literally have a waterfall coming off that wall. Our neighbors back yard becomes flooded at the slightest shower causing frogs and tons of mosquitoes! If that development happens I fear it will become a million times worse and possibly affect our homes foundation.

I ask the commission to please postpone the scheduled hearing for at least 90 days to allow time for representatives from West Hills and the developer to meet and better understand each side's desires and concerns.

Thank you for your time
Jessica Wittmer
522 Broome Rd

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