Jacqueline Beaudry
City Clerk
City of Ann Arbor
100 North Fifth Avenue
P.O. Box 8647
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107

Re: Rezoning of North Sky Property

Dear Ms. Beaudry:

I am writing in response to your July 2nd letter regarding the "North Sky" Property and the potential rezoning of the property proposed in Ordinance No. ORD-08-25. My wife and I live on Bateson Court and would like to voice our strongest opposition to this zoning change.

The area that we live in is very rural, and the lots are typically well over an acre. We feel that this is high density housing development will negatively impact our neighborhood – not only those directly adjacent but also those living nearby. It will:

- Increase the air, noise, and light pollution in the area.
- Add greatly to the number of vehicles traversing the area, and contribute additionally to the continuing traffic problem along and near Pontiac Trail during peak hours
- Completely destroy the appearance and natural features.
- Deplete green space and habitat for native wildlife (deer, birds, etc). Has the Department of Environmental Quality given approval for a development in this area?

Perhaps even worse then these issues is the negative economic impact upon the area. Given the massive availability of homes (over 1,000 for sale in Ann Arbor alone, and 3,539 foreclosures in Washtenaw County), it can only be harmful to add additional properties and thus hurt those already trying to sell. . Given the oversupply and current capital market issues, it is hard to imagine that the North Sky development will succeed. If such a development is started and fails, who will cover the costs of the sewer and water installation? What are the other yet unforeseen consequences?

We do not feel that approving such a rezoning (and development) is in the best interests of us, others on Bateson Court, those living in the area, or the City of Ann Arbor or Ann Arbor Township.

Based on these issues, we urge you to vote against this proposal and deny the zoning change.

Sincerely,

Allan Small 2949 Bateson Court Ann Arbor, MI. 48105



Written Protest Petition regarding North Sky Property

Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Protest Petition

Submit this form to:

City Clerk's Office City of Ann Arbor 100 North Fifth Avenue Ann Arbor, MI 48107

Date: July 21, 2008

Contact Person: Jacqueline Beaudry City Clerk

Address: 2[™] Floor City Hall City: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48104 Telephone: (734) 994-2800

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- 2. The proposed North Sky housing development does not take in consideration the character of the existing neighborhood, where homes have considerable larger lots (one or two acre lots). For example, the developer intends to build 14 houses on an existing single family plot. The current zoning proposes the construction of 240 residential units on the 31.77 acre site, resulting in a 0.13 acre site for each dwelling.
- 3. This high density housing development will negatively impact the environment, significantly increasing the level of noise and air pollution in the area. The developer of this site has already cut all the trees on this property: 25 acres of forest were clear cut

- and the land adjacent to that property was completely denuded so that it looked like a strip mine. It was not planted it was left there as an eyesore.
- 4. The road access infrastructure necessary to support the increased traffic to this development containing 240 residential units and 519 parking spaces is insufficient. Pontiac Trail is a divided road with one lane for each direction of traffic, and is the only access road connecting this development to the city of Ann Arbor and to the freeway system. It is anticipated that the North Sky Development will add greatly to the number of vehicles traversing the area, and contribute additionally to the continuing traffic problems along and near Pontiac Trail during peak hours.

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