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Vote on April 1, 2025

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Hello,

My name is Staci Haarer, I have been a homeowner at 2004 Crestland Dr. in the Pattengill neighborhood (Ward 3) for 23 years. I am emailing to share my thoughts on your public hearing vote postponed from the March 18th meeting.

Item 8a on tonight's agenda

I have been told several times now by members of the Planning Commission and my own City Council reps that you want my option, you want to hear from the community. That is great to know, I am happy to share. I do hope you mean it. And one way to demonstrate that you care about public opinion is to KEEP the requirement for public hearings for site pans. Residents/voters/taxpayers need to be able to address city officials in a public forum on large development projects, we should get a chance to question and understand development projects that affect our neighborhoods. It may add to the developer's time frame, well that is one of the many moving parts for developing. If that time is *truly* too costly then perhaps the project should be reconsidered because it may not be very sound or the developer may not really be in a position to be successful. I am sure there are ways to save time that do not include effectively silencing the public.

You may also argue that the zoning supports the project so you do not need to hear from us, but then you are not actually interested in what the community thinks, are you??

Additionally, I would like the Planning Commission to KEEP the requirement on letting neighbors know what a lot is divided. That certainly does not restrict anyone and it is just common respect and politeness. Most of us, I assume even members of the planning commission, would truly appreciate a simple *heads up* in this situation. Some might even call it being neighborly.

I urge you to be open-minded and listen to the community that you want to hear from. I know many, many of us share this opinion.

Thanks for your consideration,

Staci Haarer