

Dear Wendy Rampson, Planning Manager.

I am writing to share some thoughts, comments and concerns regarding the impending division of the 1854 Upland Drive property. Let me thank you for soliciting input regarding the division of the lot into four parcels from the neighbors. I have lived in this street at 1899 Upland Drive for the past eighteen years. This is a very close knit community. Many of my neighbors grew up in the homes on this block. Mrs. Mary Taggart ,who owned the 1854 property had expressed verbally on numerous occasions that she had hoped that the 1854 property not become a multiple family development. Mr. James Alvaroe, Keller Williams Realtor, had also acknowledged that the 1854 parcel was being purchased by a single family. So it came as a surprise to me as well as my neighbors that the parcel would be divided into four parcels.

Upland Drive is an unpaved street that has a unique character and feel of being in a quiet,serene, pastoral, countryside setting. We are in the city but it feels as if we are in a rural community. The division of the parcels will increase the density on the street as well as traffic. It will also impact the character of the street. It will begin to feel like a subdivision where there is little space between the houses. Impacting the neighbors closest to the new proposed parcels, because the planned houses will be near their residence.

The value of living on a street will be affected by the division of the 1854 parcel. The values of the homes will possibly be negatively impacted by this proposal. These are things that cannot be known for sure. I ask the planning committee to consider the above information when considering this proposal..

Respectfully,

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