

**Ann Arbor City Council Regular Session: November 16, 2015
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Alexa, Jennifer

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 7:47 PM
To: CityCouncil
Subject: Arthur Miller house move

Ann Arbor Mayor and City Council,

I have been a resident of Ann Arbor for 27 years. I think paying to move the Arthur Miller house to Liberty Plaza is a horrible waste of taxpayer money, as well as a horrible way to fill up the open space that is currently Liberty Plaza. Just because Arthur Miller once lived there when he was a student, does not make it hallowed ground that must be protected at all costs. It's just a house, like many, many other old/historic houses in Ann Arbor. As far as Liberty Plaza goes, this park has potential. I have enjoyed concerts there for Sonic Lunch, and have seen the city use the space for other special events, such as the Pop X art exhibit. When not being used for special events, it could use some extra police enforcement. What it does not need is a huge empty house plopped in the middle of it. There's already the Arthur Miller theater on North Campus, and I think other Arthur Miller information in the University libraries. Enough!

Barbara Mintz

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Alexa, Jennifer

From: William Quinn [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 9:32 PM
To: Westphal, Kirk
Subject: Meeting at Washtenaw Community College

Kirk Westphal,

I was informed about your meeting with five area residents concerning Nixon Farms North and South. I was unable to attend that meeting on behalf of Barclay Park, but hearing of your remarks, I was very disappointed. You were quoted as saying that while traffic in and about the Nixon corridor is a problem, it's not any different anywhere else in Ann Arbor or other cities. Well, it is indeed a problem, along with the miserable roads in Ann Arbor, as any resident in Barclay Park trying to get on to Nixon Road every morning can tell you. But, rather than doing something to alleviate the "problem," you are apparently willing to make the situation worse by allowing several hundred housing units to be built in the area. High density zoning does not "bother" you — the word is from an attendee — because it meets the city's master plan. Some plan!

I remember when you stopped by my condominium in Barclay Park to ask for my vote. I gave it, but now I see I made a great mistake. That won't happen again.

William Quinn

Alexa, Jennifer

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 11:25 PM
To: Warpehoski, Chuck
Subject: Re: Public comment for 11/16 City Council meeting on Nixon Farm Development

You are welcome, Chuck.

Xiaoping.

From: "Warpehoski, Chuck" <CWarphehoski@a2gov.org>
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Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 2:59 PM
Subject: RE: Public comment for 11/16 City Council meeting on Nixon Farm Development

Thank you

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Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2015 10:54 PM
To: xiao_ping_shen@yahoo.com; Kailasapathy, Sumi; Briere, Sabra; Smith, Chip; Ackerman, Zach
Cc: Mingxia Ding; Zhong Li; Taylor, Christopher (Mayor); Lumm, Jane; Westphal, Kirk; Grand, Julie; Kunselman, Stephen; Eaton, Jack; Krapohl, Graydon; Warpehoski, Chuck; sjbaggaley@gmail.com; Anglin, Mike
Subject: Public comment for 11/16 City Council meeting on Nixon Farm Development

Dear City Council Members,

My name is Xiaoping Shen, I live at [REDACTED] immediate west to the proposed Nixon Farm South Development. Unfortunately, I can't attend this Monday's meeting in person. I appreciate if my view below can be presented at the public comment session during your meeting's discussion about the Nixon Farm Development.

I was at the 11/14 neighborhood meeting, attended by our neighbors, Toll Brother representative and council members Lumm, Eaton and Briere. Thank you all who attended. The meeting was necessary for neighbors to express our concerns and hear from our council members' perspective. Thank you again to those attended the meeting.

We are not against development, we are against reckless development, one that is not supported by the basic infrastructure, the road condition, the poor and unsafe traffics at the intersection of Green/Nixon/Dhu Varrren.

As you know, among many outstanding issues, the paramount issue is the traffic at this intersection not able to support even the present needs. Without first addressing this outstanding issue, any

discussion around new residential development is premature and irresponsible as it will result in irreversible consequence down the road.

At the meeting, we all agreed the **right thing** to do is to solve the traffic issues along Nixon corridor before considering new development proposals. Yet, we have come so far not following this logic step by approving the re-zoning and moving on approval of the site plans, disregarding the repeated, overwhelming objections from the entire neighborhood and beyond ever since this project was proposed two years ago.

We have traffic studies that showing failing grades of "Es and Fs" along Nixon corridor as is now, yet we are considering adding approximately 500 more residential units. The city planning board, along with Toll Brother, has been irresponsible thinking a roundabout at the intersection will sufficiently meet the needs, without knowledge of the future impact to the area's traffic.

I strongly suggest you, our elected council members, do the right thing here, that is, reject these new developments until traffic study is completed and improvement is implemented.

Thank you.

Respectfully,
Xiaoping Shen

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Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 8:49 AM
Subject: Re: Resident against zoning change at Dhu Varren/Nixon development

Dear newly elected city council member Mr Smith and Mr Acherman, congratulations to your successful elections!

I attached below my August 24, 2015 email to the city council in regarding to this subject. Since this item is up for review and approval at your next meeting, I would like to again emphasize the issues with this development.

Our neighbors met with Toll Brother representative in October, and reviewed the proposed site plan, we again expressed our concerns about the project to Toll Brother:

1. it is too dense for the road and environment to handle;
2. the buildings are too tall to fit into the landscape;
3. the buildings are too close to our properties;

Toll Brother representative told us explicitly that the current site plan was dictated by our city planning commission and Toll Brother was told not to make any changes, disregarding our concerns and improvement recommendations.

I urge you review the proposed development carefully and listen to the voices from the neighborhoods and vote against this development.

Sincerely,

Xiaoping Shen
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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 4:04 PM
Subject: Fw: Resident against zoning change at Dhu Varren/Nixon development

Dear Councilwomen Briere and Kaliasapathy,

I am resident in your represented ward. I live at 2976 S Foxridge Ct, borders west to the proposed Dhu Varren Farm South development.

I have attended all the meetings on this subject, dating back to last year's first meeting with Toll Brother at Holiday Inn, the city planning commission meeting and Council meeting on 8/17.

Meeting after meeting, the questions and protests against this development have been overwhelming, I hope both of you agree with me on point. The main objections are the followings:

1. Worsening traffic of current unacceptable condition at the Green/Nixon/Dhu Varren intersection;
2. Destroying and losing large patches of the farm land which will make the flooding situation much worse during heavy rain;
3. The proposed high density housing will be detrimental our property values;

These concerns, among many others, were articulated much better and clearer at each and every meetings that I attended.

One stated "benefit" is the financial contribution from the builders for the construction of the roundabout at the fore-mentioned intersection. Why is not the city fixing this intersection now with our tax revenue? At this current state, it is not acceptable for auto traffic, it is not safe for bicycle traffic, nor for pedestrians coming from Dhu Varren road. We have been suffering this condition ever since I moved here 12 years ago. Does our property tax not enough to make this correction and you have to rely on outside builders to pay for it?

Of course, we heard the "traffic study" that proposed the roundabout, and frequently quoted by some of you as a remedy to traffic due to these massive developments, has critically flawed assumptions in terms of projected number of added auto traffic.

We understand there is new language and site plan in the re-zoning proposal on table which came about just before the 8/17 council meeting. Since nobody knew this in our neighborhood, when will this new site plan available for the residents to view?

Since you are our council members from our ward, our hope of stopping this non-sense developments is all in your hand.

I appreciate you will get back to me on the questions I raised here.

Respectively yours,

Xiaoping Shen

From: "DiLeo, Alexis" <ADiLeo@a2gov.org>
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2015 11:39 AM
Subject: RE: Resident against zoning change at Dhu Varren/Nixon development

Mingxia Ding and Xiaoping Shen,

We have received your written protest of proposed Ordinance 15-15 and 15-16. It will be included with any and all other protests received for these ordinances to determine if 8 affirmative votes of City Council, instead of the normal 6 affirmative votes, will be required to approve the requested zoning designation. Thank you for your participation.

Alexis DiLeo

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 03, 2015 10:20 AM
To: CityClerk
Cc: Mingxia Ding; Zhong Li
Subject: Resident against zoning change at Dhu Varren/Nixon development

Dear City Council Members,

We are against the proposed mass development in Nixon Farms, north and south, at Dhu Varren & Nixon.

The proposed condo developments are to add more traffics to further congest the road and destroy the green land in our city. The traffic condition at this location is not

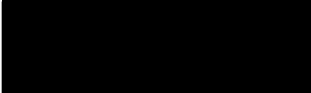
acceptable at current state, adding 500 more units in these two development make the bad condition worse.

Residential development needs to be controlled to be in harmony with the community and neighborhood. We believe the proposed developments are too high density for this neighborhood. We kindly suggest a single family housing development for this land be more appropriate.

We appreciate your consideration to our concerns.

Sincerely,

Mingxia Ding & Xiaoping Shen



Alexa, Jennifer

From: Kamala Meader [kmeader@aerokam.net]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 11:37 PM
To: Lumm, Jane; Briere, Sabra; Kailasapathy, Sumi; Westphal, Kirk; Eaton, Jack
Subject: Thank you

I just wanted to personally thank you for listening to us tonight at the council meeting. I feel like we are almost there and we truly your help.

Thank you,
Kami

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