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From: Jo Ann Byl [<mailto:joannbyl@comcast.net>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 11:08 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Cc: Baker, Buddy (Council Member)

Subject: Against re-opening May Town zoning vote

Dear Members of the Planning Commission, I own a home & live within a hundred yards of the proposed May Town re-zoning (@ 645 River Rouge).

I have followed the zoning process for West Nashville and May Town Center. I have participated at neighborhood meetings for West Nashville planning. It has been a long emotional year (seems like two). I thought I could catch my breath after the June Planning Commission meeting.

I now understand that the developers would like to re-visit and re- open the May Town discussion and zoning vote. They state they have changed their plan & reduced the density. Well, unless they have changed their proposed density so much that it is less than their projected Phase-1-density, then it doesn't really make any difference. As the Planning Staff staff reported, the second bridge was to be built before Phase 1 was complete. That means May Town would have to reduce the number & density so much, that it would be

less than their current plan for Phase 1. And, if they reduce Phase

1 and drop Phases 2-5, then we don't get the jobs, the corporate headquarters, the shops, the restaurants, the condos and the tax benefits that May Town promised.

In other words, their logic doesn't fly.

I am asking you - please do NOT re-open the May Town zoning issue at the July meeting. Rather, I am requesting that you let us (west Nashville) move forward with our neighborhood plan, and not be over run by a single developer.

Sincerely,
Jo Ann Byl

cc: Councilman Baker

From: Sharon Work [<mailto:tidwellworks@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 10:27 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: No May Town

Vote no to the re-vote for May Town. May Town is a traffic nightmare for Nashville. It will result in millions of city and state dollars needed to fix highways to connect the bridges to existing roadways. How many times will the developers change their numbers to try to win approval? I do not feel they can be trusted to complete this project, in fact

they do not have such a good tract record with other large projects.(Signature Tower). Nashville certainly does not need 8,000 condos in a cow pasture and empty office spaces too.

James Work

From: Martha Berry [mailto:martha.berry@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 9:52 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: revote

I am a resident of the Sylvan Park neighborhood and I am against the Maytown development. Please do not allow this issue to come up for a revote.

thank you

Martha Berry

From: dianne naff [mailto:dinaff@comcast.net]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 9:54 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Vote No for May Town Center...and for Revote

I have followed this debate for some time, attending meetings and receiving emails and reading articles in all the media. It has always been most interesting to see assumptions made that May Town Center will actually bring in big tax revenues, particularly considering the amount and cost of infrastructure required.

Please vote no, now and in the future, to protect this one rural area of Davidson from being turned into another supposed "Cool Springs". It is not the right place. I am sorry for the money spent by the May family, but they knew the current zoning when they bought the land and thought they could get it changed.

Please vote NO for May Town Center.

Dianne Naff

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wade McCurdy [<mailto:edaw42682@comcast.net>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 9:43 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: no re-vote on May Town

Please heed the wishes of the Bells Bend/Scottsboro community and absolutely refuse to allow a re-vote on the May Town Center ADA...NO means NO!!!! Thanks for your hard work and time.
Sincerely, Wade McCurdy

From: David Wells [<mailto:humbleabode.david@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 9:26 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Opposition to a rehearing to maytown center

Dear Commissioners,

DO NOT allow this to get revoted on in the next meeting. We have wasted hours and thousands of dollars on this issue already and I think all sides have been heard to the fullest extent. To allow one person to usurp this democratic system is unfair to the hundreds of citizens who have volunteered their time to this issue. I trust that you will not allow this to go to vote again. We need to focus on new issues in this city not an issue that very few people want. I know your tired of receiving emails about this as much as I'm tired of sending them. This issue is dead and should not be revived.

Thank you,
David Wells

-----Original Message-----

From: Pete Horton [<mailto:pbhorton@pbhorton.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 7:09 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: This is not the time to speculate on Nashville's premier greenspace

Sirs:

When the MTC plan was rejected, there was like silence. No out cry. No outrage. But a huge sigh of relief.

It would be good to let the dust settle. They can come back with another plan, another time, older and wiser.

There are some great futuristic ideas out there that could suggest creative, low impact, solutions for MTC that are centered on education, recreation, agriculture, science and history.

MTC reminds me of plans Norman Bel Geddes publicized during the 1930s that featured all traffic at the ground floor level, all pedestrian walkways at the 2nd story level, and every home with an "autogyro" in the back yard. What could have possibly happened to abort those visionary plans?

It's hard to get everyone lined up to support a visionary plan. Consider health care.

This is the season to be prudent.

Sincerely,

Pete & Bette Horton

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From: loquat14@yahoo.com [mailto:loquat14@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 6:34 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Maytown

Hello Members of the Planning Commission,

Thank you for your hard work and patience in dealing with the Maytown proposals.

I would like to encourage you to once again vote against this development. (And, in fact, to vote against re-voting!) As residents of Scottsboro, we would like to keep our neighborhood how it is. Also, the plan makes no sense, because one bridge could not possibly service a city the size of downtown. And if you count all the entrances to downtown Nashville, you would see that even three bridges would be stretched beyond their limits as well. Plus, the 3 bridges are too expensive and would cut through too many other neighborhoods.

This is just not the right project for Scottsboro.

Thank you,

Chris and Mary Beth Foley
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From: JenWPen1 [mailto:jenwpen1@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 5:58 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: MTC

Dear Commissioners,

I am opposed to the re-hearing of the MTC agenda. Once is enough.

Thank you,

Jennifer Pennington

From: India [mailto:idez8@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 5:52 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: May Town Center

Planning Commissioners-

Please don't encourage the irresponsible and desperate request of a developer who has financial interest in May Town Center. Nashville is happy with the decision that you made in June and doesn't want to put you through anymore hardship over the ridiculous May Town Center proposal. Please vote against May Town Center - again as it may be.

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From: Martin Holsinger [mailto:martinholsinger@nashville.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 5:28 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Re: Maytown again?

Even discussing whether to revote on the question looks to me like bending over backwards to do favors for a developer. Most people don't get this kind of a chance, do they?

The reason the meeting went way into the night and the vote was taken late at night is because there are so many good reasons not to go ahead with Maytown, and only one reason to approve it: the Mays have more money than just about anybody else in town, and some people don't want to be on their bad side. This is a time when a certain amount of political courage is called for.

Thank you for your attention in this matter
Martin Holsinger
Drake's Branch Rd.
Nashville

-----Original Message-----

From: Gay Welch [mailto:gay.welch@vanderbilt.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 5:15 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Maytown

To the commissioners: I am AGAINST the re-vote on the ill-planned and environmentally disastrous Maytown proposal. Please help preserve that beautiful part of our county and stop the Maytown development once and for all.

Many thanks.

Gay Welch
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From: Butka, Brenda [mailto:brenda.butka@Vanderbilt.Edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:52 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: maytown do-over: don't

Please vote against the Maytown do-over.

The plan was discussed and changes made during the process. Changing it yet again isn't "new information" for a do-over. The Commission will be opening itself up to an endless round of endless rounds of do-overs if you let this happen.

Implying that the Commission did not know what you were voting for is insulting, at best.

We very much appreciate the work you do. Allowing this do-over would just complicate that work forever.

Thanks.

Brenda Butka, M.D.
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Nashville, TN 37218

From: Odle, Maggie (Parks)
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:34 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: No Re-vote for May Town

Greeting Commissioners:

I want to ask you not to reconsider another public hearing on May Town. You all have done your job and have done it well. I commend you on your patience to listen to the citizens of Scottsboro/Bells Bend. It has been a long battle. I cannot tell you how proud I was to see the vote as it turned out against the zoning changes.

Sincerely,

Maggie Odle

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From: Villegas, Raquel [mailto:raquel.villegas@Vanderbilt.Edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:32 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: re-vote for MTC

Dear Planning commissioners,

I am writing to express my opposition to the re-vote for the rezoning that will allow May Town Center to be built. You already voted on June 25th.

The only letter that you have got asking for a re-vote is that of Mr T Giarratana's. If every time there is a vote, those that losses in the process bring it back it will be a long process to get anything approved or disapproved.

Thanks very much

Raquel Villegas

From: Kip Kirby [mailto:KipKirby@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:30 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: VOTE NO ON MAY TOWN CENTER RE-HEARING TOMORROW

Dear Commissioners,

You should be insulted by Tony Giarratana's demand for a "re-do vote" on May Town Center.

Mr. Giarratana is under tremendous pressure to see that May Town Center is put squarely in the middle of the Bells Bend property purchased by Jack May and the May family. He has a great deal invested in making sure that you see things his way, but he does not deserve a new vote just because he says you (the Commissioners) were "tired" and "confused" at the last meeting and "didn't understand" what you were voting on.

The vote taken at your June 25 meeting was fair and properly handled. The lateness of the hour did not confuse you in your voting, contrary to what Mr. Giarratanae claims. After reviewing the facts and listening to comments at the public hearing, you correctly voted to honor and protect the existing land use policy for the Scottsboro/Bells Bend area, which negated the developer's request for a rezoning.

Community Plans are created for good reason and cannot be allowed to be altered at the whim of a developer.

Do NOT not waste the time and money of Metro taxpayers by rehearing May Town Center .

DO NOT REVOTE THIS ISSUE. LET YOUR ORIGINAL VOTE STAND.

Respectfully yours,

**Kip Kirby, President
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From: Loiseau, Keith A [mailto:keith.loiseau@Vanderbilt.Edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:29 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Revote on May Town Center

Dear Commissioners,

Please **do not** consider re-voting on May Town Center. To do this would set a precedent for any party unhappy with the public process. This could lead to undermining the Planning Commission's process as well as the community's faith in fair participation. I believe the Planning Commission understood the information presented and was not confused in making a decision. For the developers to state that they will reduce density in their plan by 15% does not change the grounds for the plan that they presented.

Thank you, Keith

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From: DiAnne Patrick [mailto:dipat4459@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:28 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject:

Dear Commissioners,

Tomorrow you will entertain a request to rehear the May Town Center zone change. If you decide to do this (and I pray that you do *not*), I hope that you will discuss the problems presented by the air traffic from John C. Tune Airport. The disaster that could come from the combination of tall buildings and low flying aircraft is a frightening possibility and one that you didn't talk about at the last meeting.

Thank you for your service to Nashville,

DiAnne Patrick
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From: norland@comcast.net [mailto:norland@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 3:53 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Bells Bend / May Town Center

No reason to reconsider this proposed development. You said no the first time, and there's still no good reason to reconsider this development. This benefits no one except Giarrantana and the May family, and they are crazy if they think Nashville supports this - we don't. **TURN THEM DOWN AGAIN!**