

Comments on September 14, 2017 Planning Commission agenda items, received September 13-14

Item 5, Cherokee Ave. Master Plan and Item 8, rezoning S of E Trinity Lane

From: whitney pastorek [mailto:whittlz@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 3:57 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: Sewell, Marty (Planning); McCaig, Anita D. (Planning)
Subject: Commenting on two items: 2017SP-071-001 & 2017Z-037PR-001

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to provide comment on two items currently on the consent agenda for Thursday's meeting, one positive, one very negative.

2017SP-071-001

The proposed Aerial development on Cherokee Avenue seems like a fine use of that currently neglected space, PROVIDED Delmas Avenue receives its long-promised sidewalks prior to the start of construction. As I'm sure you all know, Delmas is a through street to the property in question, and residents are already endangered by the constant stream of vehicles traveling in excess of 60mph down their street at all hours of the day and night. Public Works has told me that a sidewalk is slated for the north side of the street, though they do not know when construction will begin. This MUST happen before traffic due to construction vehicles makes Delmas even more dangerous. East Hill is a growing neighborhood full of families, joggers, and people with dogs, and the residents of Delmas deserve the safety of a sidewalk before they're asked to become a driveway for a 166-unit development. Otherwise, I don't think any of us have a problem with it. And you know East Hill would tell you if we had a problem. :)

2017Z-037PR-001

Whoops, I've got a MASSIVE problem here! Scott Davis is trying to rezone 36 acres -- THIRTY SIX ACRES -- in a quiet residential neighborhood all at once?? That's insane, especially given the socio-economic status of many of the area residents and the displacement that will undoubtedly occur as a result of this change. What's even more insane is the fact that **he never held a neighborhood**

meeting to discuss this change. I know you have received 46 letters in opposition from residents in the Highland Heights area thanks to some **strong community organizing, and I'd like to add my voice** to that chorus as a resident of a nearby community who deeply appreciated all the HH neighbors who **stood with us in fighting a similar overreach by CM Davis. Changes such as the ones he's proposing** should be considered deliberatively and individually, and if anything, he should err on the side of hearing too *much* from the community, rather than following his usual pattern of obfuscation. I would ask that this item be moved OFF the consent agenda, and a proper neighborhood meeting be scheduled immediately so the Councilman and Planning staff can hear directly from immediately-affected residents prior to making any further decisions. I know that the woman who led the neighborhood in organizing against this insanity is out of town for work this week, and so I will do my **best to attend the hearing and speak to this in person. But y'all. Come on. THIRTY-SIX ACRES?????**

Thanks as always for your time and attention,

whitney pastorek

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Item 6, Lebanon Pike at Donelson

From: Shatara Lock [<mailto:slock4477@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 9:58 AM
To: Planning Staff; Rickoff, Abbie (Planning)
Cc: Aron Thompson; Shatara Lock Thompson
Subject: Project 2017S-076-001 (LEBANON PIKE AT DONELSON)

Planning Commissioners/Staff,

Please review and accept my concerns for the Rivercrest Neighborhood. We promote children to play outside daily instead of play video games inside. Allowing a road to come through our neighborhood would be a huge problem for our family including a 170lb Great Dane. Reading our concerns and taking action to support us are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for attention to this matter,

Shatara Lock Thompson

Aron Thompson

Axton Thompson

Big Easy Thompson

~TLT "I believe that friends are quiet angels who lift us to our feet when our wings have trouble remembering how to fly."

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Homeowner Signature: Shatara Lock Thompson Date: 9/10/2017

Printed Name: Shatara Lock Thompson

River Crest Street Address: 612 Rivercrest Way, Nashville, TN 37214

From: Thompson, Aron [<mailto:AThompson@moodynolan.com>]

Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 9:54 AM

To: Rickoff, Abbie (Planning); Planning Staff

Subject: Case 2017S-076-65

Commissioners,

For case 2017S-076-65 I want to add to the list of items this map that shows the amount of one-way in and one-way out neighborhoods and communities that have been in place in the Donelson area for years. Rivercrest Subdivision is being encroached upon by a new subdivision that threatens to change what made the neighborhood and Donelson such an enticing area to live. The attached map shows

- Rivercrest Subdivision – 40 homes, single family homes - built in 1996 – no connecting road
- Riverstone Condominium – 53 units - built in 1997 – no connecting road
- Guill Court – 22 lots with single family homes, 6 duplexes - Housing around late 1970s with smaller Lebanon frontage 2003 – no connecting road
- Bluffs of Cedarstone – 25 buildings (retirement condos) - built in 2007 – no connecting road
- Wellington Square – 9 lots, single family homes - built in 1998 – no connecting road
- Benson Road – 15 lots, single family homes – no connecting road
- Riverpoint Pass – 17 lots, single family homes – no connecting road
- Cliffdale Road to Crestwood Rd – 35 lots, single family homes – no connecting road
- Donelsowood Rd – 22 lots – built in 1960s – No connecting road
- Spring Place Dr. – 25 units – No connecting road

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From: Aron Thompson [<mailto:atrain4450@gmail.com>]

Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 9:23 AM

To: Planning Staff; Rickoff, Abbie (Planning)

Subject: Case 2017S-076-001

I would like to voice my objection to the new subdivision going in along Lebanon Road. I am in opposition of this subdivision as it directly affects my way of life and my community as a whole. The new subdivision will be intrusive to the Rivercrest Subdivision, its roads, its safety, its quiet tranquil subdivision, and to the safety of the children who play along the streets in our neighborhood. We have been in Rivercrest for over 7 years and we are sad to know that the new subdivision will be more of a nuisance than an addition to the Donelson area. We love the idea of Rivercrest remaining a nice quiet neighborhood where neighbors are friendly, courteous and polite. This new subdivision would completely change the character and environment of Rivercrest which is juxtapose to the Nashville Next Plan. The plan speaks about the preservation of neighborhoods, the vital cornerstones of community and keeping neighborhoods as attractive places to live. Our neighborhood is 40 homes and remains all the things I just listed; if this new neighborhood would be developed it would completely ruin what most people in Nashville (and home buyers in general) consider an attractive place to live. Please add me to the list of residents who oppose this new development.

From: interorientalrug <interorientalrug@aol.com>

To: planning.commissioners <planning.commissioners@nashville.gov>

Sent: Wed, Sep 13, 2017 1:27 pm

Subject: Project 2017S-076-011

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Homeowner Signature: _____



Date: 9/12/17

Printed Name: _____

BEQIA POTKA

River Crest Street Address: _____

540 RIVERCREST CV

From: Noonan, Mary [<mailto:mnoonan2@dxc.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: Planning Staff
Subject: Rivercrest Project 2017s-076-011

Thanks

Mary

(attachment follows)

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Homeowner Signature: Mary A Noonan Date: 9/13/17

Printed Name: MARY A NOONAN

River Crest Street Address: 409 Rivercrest CT

From: JAMES [mailto:stanley3211@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 2:31 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Request to Speak

Dear Sirs:

I request to speak before the Planning Commission on September 14, 2017. I will address Item 6, which is the proposed residential subdivision 2017S-076-001 Lebanon Pike at Donelson.

I currently serve on the Board of Directors for the Donelson Hermitage Neighborhood Association, Inc. (DHNA). I represent the Stanford Country Club Estates subdivision in this residential association.

James Bruce Stanley

Donelson Hermitage Neighborhood Association, Inc.

Board of Directors

From: Shah, Chirayu [mailto:chirayu.shah@Vanderbilt.Edu]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:30 PM
To: Rickoff, Abbie (Planning)
Subject: Opposing Project 2017S-076-001 (LEBANON PIKE AT DONELSON) Rivercrest Pass Extension

Re: Project 2017S-076-001 (LEBANON PIKE AT DONELSON), 9-13-2017

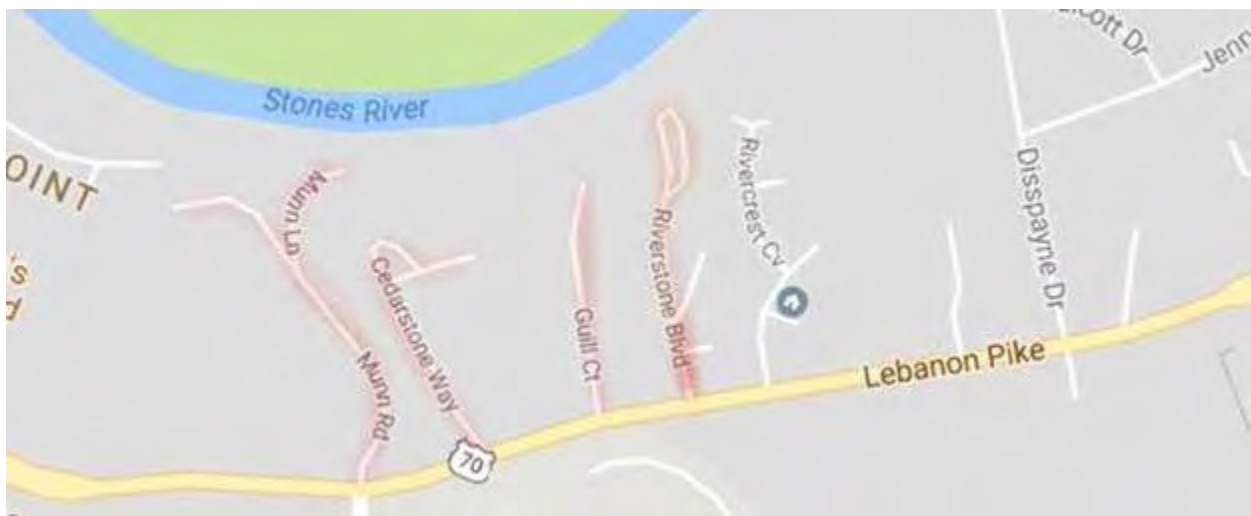
Dear Abbie,

I appreciate your time and attention in reading this rather long email. I am writing this email opposing the proposed project 2017S-076-001, LEBANON PIKE AT DONELSON which is item 15 on your September 14th meeting agenda, because the project involves extension of Rivercrest Pass into this proposed subdivision.

I have been a resident of the River Crest community for past 10 years and I have come to appreciate the unique calmness, safety and charming nature of the neighborhood despite its proximity to everything. Since its inception over twenty years ago, vehicular traffic in River Crest has—by design—been limited to residents and their guests. That factor has contributed more than any other to the creation and maintenance of the strong sense of community we enjoy in this culturally diverse neighborhood. Extending Rivercrest Pass into the proposed subdivision will seriously erode this unique characteristic by increasing vehicular traffic and increasing noise pollution.

Not only that, our neighborhood is home to a lot of new families with young children who currently enjoy playing on the street in front of their houses and ride bikes on regular basis. We have come to take this for granted given limited vehicular traffic. Adding a magnitude fold of additional traffic by extension of the Rivercrest Pass will pose a significant safety hazard to our children.

As the shown on the google map picture below, Rivercrest is not dissimilar from four other neighborhoods in its proximity (as marked with red below) with regards to one way in and one way out. This is in part due to the geographical reality of Stones River to our north and no street connectivity to our west. It has been like this since its inception.



River Crest neighborhood is a unique, gem of a neighborhood in Donelson. My wife and I have thought about moving to Brentwood on multiple occasions but the unique characteristics that the neighborhood offers has prompted us to stay put. I sincerely urge to help maintain the safety and quality of our neighborhood by opposing the proposed plan which connects the Rivercrest Pass to the new neighborhood.

I sincerely appreciate your time and attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me at email chirayu.shah@vanderbilt.edu or my cell phone at 615-491-0524 if I can be of any help.

Sincerely,

Chirayu

Chirayu Shah, MD

Assistant Professor of Radiology & Radiological Sciences

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Member/Investigator Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center

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Homeowner Signature: Beneta Burroughs Date: 09/09/17

Printed Name: Beneta Burroughs

River Crest Street Address: 529 Rivercrest Cove, Nashville, TN 37214

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Homeowner Signature: Bing N Lem Date: 9-10-2017

Printed Name: Bing N Lem

River Crest Street Address: 504 Rivercrest Cove

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Homeowner Signature: Patricia Jansen Date: 9-11-17

Printed Name: PATRICIA JANSEN

River Crest Street Address: 513 RIVERCREST COVE
NASHVILLE TN 37214

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METROPOLITAN PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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Homeowner Signature: Karen PalmerDate: 09/11/2017Printed Name: Karen PalmerRiver Crest Street Address: 508 Rivercrest CV

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Homeowner Signature: Tara N. Bailey Date: 9-8-17

Printed Name: Tara N. Bailey

River Crest Street Address: 528 Rivercrest Ave Nashville, TN
37214

Item 8, rezoning S of E Trinity Lane

From: Davis, Ashonti [mailto:DavisA17@aetna.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:04 PM
To: Birkeland, Latisha (Planning)
Cc: Ashonti Davis
Subject: RE: Item 8 on Consent Agenda - 2017Z-037PR-001

Dear Ms. Birkeland,

I am requesting that Item 8, No. 2017Z-037PR-001 be removed from the Consent Agenda. I would like to reiterate my concerns about the adverse effects of the proposed rezoning to the existing neighborhood, including, but not limited to:

- Increase in Traffic
- Inadequate Parking
- Inadequate Infrastructure
- Detrimental Environmental impact

The proposed rezoning is akin to redlining in that it cherry picks and carves out certain portions of an entire neighborhood for rezoning without any justification. For instance, the proposed rezoning of the selected portion of Edwin Street primarily consists of single-family homes on .18 acres. The proposed rezoning of Edwin Street (and surrounding streets) does not account for the existing character of the neighborhood, nor does it include the 2 other blocks that encompass Edwin Street. Further, the proposed rezoning ignores the narrow nature of the existing streets and the fact that the existing topography of the neighborhood cannot support the additional density. It also appears there is a complete lack of oversight on the impact the additional traffic will have on the existing narrow and quiet streets where people frequently walk and children play. As the map indicates, the proposed rezoning does not involve Marshall Street, Pullen Avenue, Gatewood Avenue, and Joy Avenue – all streets with similar composition to the streets proposed for rezoning. It begs the question: why are similarly situated streets being proposed for rezoning?

Importantly, several neighbors have signed letters that were submitted to the Planning Commission outlining the above concerns. And, our Honorable Councilmember Scott Davis has not met with the

affected community members and addressed these concerns. As a result, the residents and property owners directly impacted by the proposed rezoning have not had an adequate opportunity to discuss and explore solutions posed by the proposed rezoning.

As a lifelong resident on Edwin Street, I am deeply troubled by the lack of engagement with the community about the proposed rezoning. Further, I ask, as I have done at previous Planning Commission Meetings, that the Commissioners consider the aggregate impact of not only this rezoning, but all of the recent rezoning plans and developments in this one neighborhood.

I sincerely appreciate your time and consideration of this request.

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Ashonti T. Davis

Counsel

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Items 11a/b, East Nashville Community Plan Amendment/Cayce Place

From: Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 8:40 AM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: rdowell@KIPPNashville.org; Grider, Anna (Planning)
Subject: KIPP Kirkpatrick parent letters regarding Agenda Items 11A-B, Envision Cayce

Planning Commissioners:

I have received and forwarded several letters pertaining to Agenda Item 11A-B, for the Envision Cayce community plan change proposal and Specific Plan. I wanted to ensure that you received these letters for review before tonight's hearing. Thank you for your service.

Brett A. Withers

Metro Council, District 6

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From: Randy Dowell [<mailto:RDowell@KIPPNashville.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 7:22 AM
To: Grider, Anna (Planning); Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Subject: letters from concerned Kirkpatrick parents - batch 1

Anna and Brett – I am attaching letters written by 8 concerned KIPP Kirkpatrick parents (sending in two batches... this is 1st of 2). As you will see, the concerns range from traffic and safety issues to gentrification. Please include these in the record as it is unlikely these parents will be able attend today's meeting.

Thank you.

-Randy



Randy Dowell

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I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

I support this, because there are too many children at one school, and little to nowhere to park.

Leann Peal

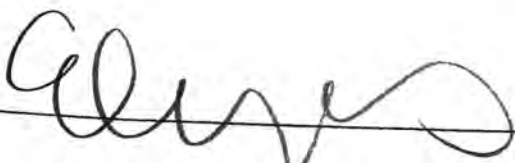
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Date

I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

as a parent of two children that currently attend KIPP, I foresee traffic being horrible. I also feel that having two schools located so closely together isn't the best solution for a community of kids that mostly walk. I believe that the original vote should stand as that's what people in the community thought would be happening until this back door change.


Signature


Date

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I am a parent and I believe that the school being placed so close to Kipp will cause a huge amount of traffic and will be unsafe for the kids to walk and travel back and forth. I think this will be a issue for the staff, parents and anyone coming through to travel to and from this area.

Vanyse Bell

Signature

9/12/2017

Date

I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

There is too much traffic flow on the street. We have younger children kindergardners walking up and down the street. Why do you need to put to elementary schools together. What are you thinking.
People do not now how to drive.

K. Beatty

Signature

9/12/17

Date

From: Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 8:41 AM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: rdowell@KIPP Nashville.org; Grider, Anna (Planning)
Subject: Additional letters regarding Agenda Item 11A-B, Envision Cayce

Planning Commissioners:

Some additional letter pertaining to Agenda Item 11A-B regarding Envision Cayce are attached for your review prior to tonight's hearing.

Brett A. Withers

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From: Randy Dowell [<mailto:RDowell@KIPP Nashville.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 7:23 AM
To: Grider, Anna (Planning); Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Subject: letters from concerned parents - batch 2

Here's the second batch of letters.



Randy Dowell

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Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street
because:

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Rachel Matlock

Signature

9-11-17

Date

I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

As a concerned parent and the safety of all children attending KIPP Kirkpatrick Elementary School relocating the school between Dew Street and Lenore Street would ensure the safety of all the parents and children that walk on a daily basis to and from school.

As of today the daily traffic is more than congested with the vehicles picking up and dropping off the students and this will ease the traffic in the area verses increasing the traffic in the area.

Velinda D. Bransford

Signature

9/12/2017

Date

I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

My name is Adrienne Witt, and I'm a parent of Declan Witt at Kipp Kirkpatrick. Please Do Not build another school so close to our school. Most mornings the traffic is already horrible and congested and causes me to barely get to work on time. That much traffic is not safe for the walkers in this neighborhood.

Thank you.

Adrienne Witt

Signature

9/12/17

Date

I am writing to support approval of the amendment to relocate Envision Cayce's school between Dew Street and Lenore Street because:

I do not like how a new school is going to be built next to one that my kids go to. It will cause too much traffic and drama for everyone. I feel like if it's next door some of the younger kids could get confused of where to go. I feel like they need to relocate the new school further away from Kipp Kirkpatrick. Thank you

Kayl Moece

Signature

9/12/17

Date

From: Danielle Dunlap [mailto:danielleandrudy@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 11:38 AM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Fw: Explore Community School

I am writing to you to let you know that as a former preschool teacher and parent of two children at Explore Community School, I strongly believe that option 1 is most definitely the best option for the new Explore campus to be built. Children avoiding busy streets could be done by using option one, proximity to the Martha O'Bryan Center, who founded Explore, would be beneficial in establishing a strong school and neighborhood community.

Thank you for your time,
Danielle Dunlap

From: Dan Walsh [mailto:letsgo@goprograms.org]

Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 9:26 AM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Envision Cayce

Hello,

Please build the new school in the Envision Cayce plan right next to the park! There is a BIG difference in a short distance...especially when we look at it from the perspective of a kindergartener! Think about the time it takes to be able to walk out of your doors right onto a playground and field compared to walking 100yards or more to the park...especially at that age. Elementary school students need as much time to play together. As teachers, my wife and I and I know how much time it takes away from play getting students lined up to go to the park, and back. But don't do it for the teachers sake, but the **students**.

Two of my daughters are students at Explore! Community School and we're almost as excited about the new school as we were when we were accepted into the school. We love how our school is so active in creating and keeping diversity and we're excited that our three other daughters (ages 4, 2, and 1 month) will be going to a welcoming school that teaches diversity every day by integrating our kids with all different families from different backgrounds economically, and culturally. We LOVE our kids, and we love Explore school.

Sincerely,

Dan, Meagan, Winter, Meadow, Rhapsody, Arabesque, and Quintana Walsh

From: Rudy Dunlap [mailto:rudydunlap@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 11:43 AM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Explore Community School

Good Morning.

I understand that there is a proposal to change the location where Explore will be built. I believe that the original master plan was very well thought out and moving the school to a different location is a bad idea. I strongly support of the original plan for the location of Explore Community School and respectfully ask that you support the original plan as well.

The original plan addresses the needs of families in the neighborhood--a great deal of thought was put into environmental conservation, TRAFFIC FLOW, safety (avoiding having young children cross busy intersections) and is next to the community park and library. The new location would force Explore students to walk a great distance, through Cayce Homes, to get to either the park or the library, rather than the original option, where Explore will be located north and directly adjacent to the big park and library and sports facilities.

One of Explore's Core Values is community--and we (speaking from the parent perspective) want to be a school that meets the needs of our community. I believe we have the opportunity to be a model for the nation. The new proposed location could impact this greatly.

This is about an investment in Nashville's most important asset--our children & their education, and petty politics have no place here. I urge you to stick with the original, very well thought out plan for the location of Explore Community School.

I look forward to your response and hearing your vote.

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Rudy Dunlap, Ph.D.
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From: Michelle Bowman [mailto:michellebowman@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 4:22 AM
To: Planning Commissioners; Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Subject: Meeting Today

Hello!

Our son attends Explore Community School and I know there is a meeting today where locations for the new school site will be discussed.

I wanted to speak up and say I support and am in favor of option one for the spot for the new building.

Thank you,

Michelle Tomczak

From: Katja Raine [mailto:katjaraine@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 10:54 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Explore Community School

Good morning

My name is Katja Raine and I'm the mom of 2nd grader at Explore.

I would like to let you know that I strongly support the original plan for the new Explore building. The location is part of a well thought out plan and would benefit our kids and us parents. The school would be closer to the park and the new library and traffic should flow much better.

Thank you and have a good day,

Katja Raine

From: Javier Rodriguez [mailto:pajavier@mac.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 10:15 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Subject: Future Explore Community school location

Hello!

I am writing to you to let you know that as a parent of two children at Explore Community School, I strongly believe that option 1 is most definitely the best option for the new Explore campus to be built. Children avoiding busy streets could be done by using option one, proximity to the Martha O'Bryan Center, who founded Explore, would be beneficial in establishing a strong school and neighborhood community even more so because relationships could be developed with families that utilize the center, saving wonderfully big trees is very important, and being closer to the park would assist in allowing the children to have more opportunities to develop physical education skills as well as allowing families to enjoy it after school hours easily.

I strongly believe that having two schools next to each other would not pose a problem at all! While it is not common to have two schools in such close proximity to each other, there will be enough students for both schools to be fully enrolled. I also know that children are very unique in the ways they learn and that having two very distinct education models so close to each other would allow parents to choose which would meet the educational needs of their individual child best. When a child's educational needs are best met, educational success will only follow and therefore positively impact our community.

Thank you for your time,
Javier Rodriguez

Sent from my iPhone

From: J Bauer [mailto:jstnbauer@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 8:57 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Envision Cayce Explore school site

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

As a member of the community and a parent of a student at Explore! Community School, I would like to urge you to approve construction of the planned school building at the Option 1 site, which I think has clear advantages over the second option on Lenore. This site is considerably nearer to the park and keeps existing green space intact. Thank you for your careful consideration of these options and for taking community input into account; please make a decision that takes the best choice for our children and our community into account, rather than concerns about proximity between two schools that both serve a growing, changing neighborhood.

Thank you,

Justin Bauer

jstnbauer@gmail.com

215-740-6135

From: J Bauer [mailto:jstnbauer@gmail.com]
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From: chandler perdue [mailto:chandlerperdue@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 5:42 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Input- tomorrow's meeting

Hello Planning Commission,

As an East Nashville resident and parent of a school-age child I would like to express my support for Option #1 in tomorrow night's planning meeting for the Envision Cayce Project. This I believe is in conjunction with the planning department's current plans, not to move the new school location. I believe that the option to move the school would be counterproductive to the Envision Cayce overall plan as well as the overall well being of both elementary schools.

Thanks,

-Chandler Perdue

From: Rebekah Mitchell [mailto:rebekahrmitchell@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:48 PM

To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: Withers, Brett (Council Member)
Subject: Envision Cayce- Explore School

I am writing to voice my opinion on the proposal to move the site of the building for Explore Community School. I firmly believe that the school plan should remain where it was originally planned. I don't think that it makes sense to propose a new location now, when the well-thought-out Master Plan already indicates the location of the new school that not only will save existing trees, but also manages traffic flow, has much better safety, is near/adjacent to the community park and library, and does not force school-age kids to cross busy roads. I urge the planning commission staff to disapprove this move. Thank you for your time-

Rebekah Mitchell

From: Erin E. Mercer-Swayze [mailto:e.elizabeth@me.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:12 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Cc: Withers, Brett (Council Member); Jon Driskell
Subject: Option #1 for Explore!

To whom it may concern,

I am of the opinion that Option #1 reflects 3 years of master planning and is well thought out with respect to adjacencies, traffic flow and access for Explore! students to have the surrounding "campus" of amenities (like the shared basketball courts, park/playspace and most importantly the public metro library going in next door to location #1. To infer there will be conflict between the two schools only disrupts the common goal of community and by placing precedence to what I perceive as a political gain. Option #2 jeopardizes the future of Explore! as it is a new school growing every year and has a right to amenities that well established, traditional schools have immediate access to.

Explore! has been an asset for the community and will continue to do so if given the opportunity to thrive as it ought.

Thank you for your time and consideration and vote for Option #1.

-Explore! Community member and parent
Erin S.

From: Nicole Rodriguez [mailto:javier.nicole@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Future Explore location

Hello!

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Thank you for your time,
Nicole Rodriguez

Sent from my iPhone

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

From: Joe Casola [mailto:joeycasola1@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 12:59 PM
To: Planning Commissioners
Subject: Future explore location.

Good afternoon.

As a parent of a student at the explore school it has been brought to my attention that there is a debate as to where the future site will be. After looking at both options carefully it seems that option 1 near the park would be the most conducive for recreational activities and science exploration as well as the least damaging to the natural environment. I greatly appreciate your time to read this and hope my opinion of the advantages is taken into consideration.

Thanks!

Joe Casola
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