

**Planning Commission public comments for the June 9 meeting,
received June 4-9**

**Item 12a, 2016Z-056PR-001/rezoning from RS20 to RM9 on Oakley
Drive (unnumbered)**

From: Farmer, Mark [mailto:Mark.Farmer@nsc.edu]

Sent: Sunday, June 05, 2016 11:48 PM

To: Planning Commissioners

Subject: Case 2016z-056PR-001

Dear Commissioners :: My name is Mark T. Farmer at 105 Oaklynn Drive, Madison, Tn. My work keeps me from attending your hearing on re-zoning, my neighborhood. We all work to have a happy home environment. Myself have lived at my current address for 8 years and my neighbor Wesley Van hoosier has lived there 103 Oaklynn dr. for 50 years. Talking with others in neighborhood, we all want this rezoning to be defeated have total opposition to it. However with the exception that houses with sizeable lots, like our own houses and lots, be the only exception. We ask that this rezoning be defeated ---if this will not be the case. We value our neighborhood, and want to protect it against someone who is looking to make quick money at the expense of others. So in closing, we ask you to make changes or totally oppose the application for re-zoning. Sign Mark T. Farmer and concern Neighbors .. My phone number is 615-485-4665. Mark T. Farmer Ps: This neighborhood was built 50 years ago, we don't it mess with. Tks.

Item 13, 2016Z-055PR-001/Hickory Hollow Parkway rezoning

From: Verlinda Darden [mailto:vdarden@nashvillechamber.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2016 10:55 AM

To: Planning Staff; Planning Commissioners

Cc: Jennifer Carlat; Dowell, Jacobia (Council Member)

Subject: Metro Planning Commission June 9th Agenda

Dear Planning Commission Staff,

Please find attached a letter from the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce expressing our concern regarding item 13 (Hickory Hollow Parkway downzoning) on today's June 9th Metro Planning Commission agenda. We respectfully ask that you provide this letter to the Metro Planning Commissioners for their consideration. We concur with planning staff recommendation on this item and ask that the Commissioners vote to disapprove this action.

Best Regards,

Verlinda Darden
Policy Project Coordinator

(attachment follows)



June 9, 2016

Dear Metro Planning Commissioners,

On behalf of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express our opposition to item 13 on the June 9 Commission agenda (zone change 2016Z-055PR-001). The Chamber concurs with the Planning staff's recommendation and urges you to disapprove this request.

The Chamber rarely engages in the debate on individual zone changes, but the proposed downzoning of the Hickory Hollow Parkway property has troublesome implications for the business environment in Nashville.

As with the proposed rezoning of the Forest View Drive property heard at the previous Planning Commission meeting, the downzoning of the Hickory Hollow Parkway property would signal to private property owners that even if they have followed Metro's regulations and procedures, that their property may be rezoned and their entitlements diminished—against their wishes—at any time.

The Chamber is committed to supporting predictable, transparent development and zoning policies and procedures to encourage development and investment. We are concerned that a pattern is emerging that threatens the predictable environment that is crucial for individuals and businesses to feel confident investing in Nashville/Davidson County. The current owner of the property, Vastland Development Inc., has alerted the Chamber that it has lost a potential buyer for the property once the buyer learned that the property could be downzoned and its entitlements significantly diminished.

The Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce respectfully asks you to disapprove zone change 2016Z-055PR-001 (item 13). Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Jennifer L. Carlat, M.P.P., AICP
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