

Supervisor Sweeney,

It has come to my attention that there will be a matter requiring a vote coming before you on April 10 at the stated County Board of Supervisors meeting. This letter is in regards to a re-zoning of a parcel south of Hwy 50 near the corner of El Dorado Road and Hwy 50 at Runnymead.

I am a homeowner in the immediate neighborhood and would like to express my concerns over the proposed re-zoning and subsequent building of an apt complex on that location. Jim, ours is a quiet and peaceful neighborhood where residents, young and old alike, along with others (El Dorado Savings Bank employees) can walk or ride their bicycles up and down the existing road (Runnymead) unencumbered with the need to worry about heavy traffic and their safety. The proposed re-routing of the existing road and the addition of a 70+ dwellings not to mention the associated increase in traffic would surely remove that peace of mind and would forever alter the flavor of the neighborhood we have enjoyed for many years.

Our area is zoned as 1 acre+ parcels set aside for single family dwellings. This in our currently approved Master plan, (which we voted for) let's let that plan guide us for a time before we undertake changes of this nature. My understanding is that this proposal before you would forever change that aspect of this neighborhood which I love.

My concerns extend as well to the children of the immediate area, and to the families that may want to relocate here in the future, as we continue to grow. El Dorado Rd. is in all reality barely equipped to handle the safe loading and unloading of children to and from their school buses in the AM, let alone walking or riding a bicycle. I get the chance to witness this first hand each morning as I drive this section of road. There are a few wide spots where the busses can safely pull over to the shoulder, but I am always concerned when a line of cars must follow a bus as it makes each stop along the road when there are not appropriate stopping places. With the addition of many new families in the area, and with the associated traffic increases, my concerns as I know would yours, only increase.

It is my understanding that this area will grow with or without this re zoning and perhaps so, but let's put the proper infrastructure in place so that our growth will be responsible, with an eye to keeping/giving/putting, our children's safety first. Please stand with me and my neighbors and cast your vote to keep with our current Master Plan and say no to this change.

Sincerely,
Russell and Christine Sears
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