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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Friday, April 23, 2021 1:11 PM
To: Mary Ann Barnett
Cc: Colleen Willger; Allen Buansi; Amy Ryan; Hongbin Gu; Jeanne Brown; Jess Anderson; Karen Stegman; Michael Parker; Pam Hemminger; Tai Huynh; Amy Harvey; Ann Anderson; Carolyn Worsley; Flo Miller; Laura Selmer; Mary Jane Nirdlinger; Maurice Jones; Rae Buckley; Ran Northam; Ross Tompkins; Sabrina Oliver
Subject: RE: 2200 Homestead Road followup to last night's hearing

Thank you for your correspondence with the Town of Chapel Hill. The Mayor and Town Council are interested in what you have to say. By way of this email, I am forwarding your message to the Mayor and each of the Council Members, as well as to the appropriate staff person who may be able to assist in providing additional information or otherwise addressing your concerns.

Again, thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

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From: Mary Ann Barnett [mailto:barnettm45@gmail.com]
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Cc: Susan Nassar <susannassar@energistics.com>
Subject: Re: 2200 Homestead Road followup to last night's hearing

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Dear Town Council and Mayor,

I'm forwarding the email sent to you as a follow up to the 2200 Homestead Road discussion from my neighbor, Susan Nassar.

Susan is a long time resident of Chapel Hill and Vineyard Square having served the neighborhood concerns with the HOA and greater public beyond what you call normal citizen involvement. As neighbors, we

appreciate her passion and willingness to intervene on our behalf. So, please, give recognition and consideration for the listed concerns.

Several council members remarked "we are a basketball town", I believe to justify the positioning of the court within earshot of the residents. Rightly, we enjoy watching basketball and rooting for the Tar Heels, but as a basketball player, when I moved to CH, I felt it was seriously lacking public courts. MLK, Franklin and Estes should be lined with them not hidden from view. Densely populated Brooklyn, NYC seems to have more courts. Just a thought! And, you certainly would not want to justify that as your reason. More so would be to get data on needs of incoming residents; for example, where a picnic area, small soccer field, open space, nature walk with fitness markers, etc. may be more appealing and meeting the needs.

Nevertheless, please take into consideration the resident's perspective and make efforts to accommodate.

Thank you for all you do.

Regards,
M. Barnett
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On Thu, Apr 22, 2021 at 6:59 PM susannassar [energistics.com](mailto:susannassar@energistics.com) <susannassar@energistics.com> wrote:

Dear Mayor and Town Council,

As an adjacent Vineyard Square neighbor to this development, it seems obvious that all I can hope for at this point is that the town would spend all that it takes that this proposed Mercedes Benz of basketball courts also has the maximum sound proofing and optimal orientation in respect of the Vineyard Square neighbors.

It is thanks to Mr. Buansi that I even have this little bit of hope left, as he mentioned that there are ways to insulate the sound of a basketball court.

The rest of you underestimated the noise intrusion and resulting loss of quality of life and let's don't even mention trying to sell your home when a prospective buyer is in the kitchen or master bedroom hearing the boom boom boom.

I can totally understand why you are so enthusiastic about the idea of a basketball court, but let's get real.

The idea that you even considered it would be lighted horrifies me. Not only light pollution but 24/7 usage.

And it won't be used only by kids and adults from 2200 Homestead— There will be the residents of the 54 townhomes at Bridgepoint, plus people from other neighborhood all around. If this court is going to be as great as you say, **THEY WILL COME.**

I'd be all for that if it were not within hearing distance of Sonoma Way homes. Which leads me to suggest: Why not put this state-of-the-art basketball court— maybe two— on the Greene Tract next door?

I know you are hot to get this thing approved and move on, but if you are really serious about respecting The Comprehensive Plan Goal #8 *Nurture Our Community... Protect neighborhoods from the impact of development such as stormwater runoff, light and **noise pollution**, and traffic...* then I ask you to be more considerate of us. And give us due respect.

I'd like to point out that WE paid for this 2200 Homestead land. When Centex bought the land for Vineyard Square it included the Bridgepoint land and the 2200 Homestead Road land. As is normal for a developer, Centex (since bought by Pulte) had profit goals for Vineyard Square. In order to meet those goals, those of us in market priced homes paid for the profit lost from Hometrust homes and the land given to the Town.

I personally have no problem with that. Plus I believe in paying taxes when I can afford it and of course I believe in their being SPENT (unlike the Republicans.) And I don't mind paying taxes every year that go to the Home Trust Fund. I feel that is the responsible thing to do when we are lucky enough to have the means in this life.

But I do feel that in return that my quality of life and home value should be considered. As you would want yours.

Based on the Town Council meeting last night, most of you have totally underestimated...

- 1) The disruption the basketball court will cause for us in our daily lives
- 2) and the destruction to our home values.

Can we not be good loving neighbors without paying that price? I have been worried for years about what will happen to our trailer park inhabitants when those lots get developed. I care. Don't I deserve some consideration in return?

Susan Nassar
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