WRITTEN COMMENTS
Dec 25, 2018

I received your notice Friday, this is Tuesday, & I wish to register my concerns ['protest'].

a) traffic congestion
b) potential crime introduced into a very safe area
c) noise
d) affecting our way of life & peace of mind
e) decreased property values
f) overcrowded schools
g) safety of children playing outside

and mainly:

This is just a start & there will be more like it!!!

Thank you very much,

Penny Roberts
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To Planning Department

My family has lived in this neighborhood since the early 1930s. I built and have lived in my house since 1977. When I bought my property, it was expected that the neighborhood would remain rural. I know that I cannot stop the development that will eventually happen in this neighborhood but I hope that there will be respect given to those of us who have lived and will to continue to live in the country.

Over the years, I have attended meetings about development in the area. When talk started about widening the road because of development, I expressed my concern. The amount my front property that I’d have to sacrifice that would be taken verses how they would go around the company down the street not taking any of their front property. At another council meeting years ago, the council asked the developers that were planning on developing across the street to be respectful of the existing people living here. To date, I don’t believe they are respecting any of us that have lived and watched our families grow here. Also, at that time, they were planning very nice large estate type homes/lots and now it looks as if they’re heading towards a higher density type of environment. I don’t feel that this blends well and doesn’t respect the decisions made by families that have lived in this neighborhood for decades.

I have seen other developments that are building next to rural/existing residents that place 2 story homes with windows overlooking their country neighbors’ homes. I feel that is an invasion of privacy. To respect those that already live in the area for a long time and intend on doing so for some time, there should be some buffering type accommodations to help with a preservation of the rural/existing lifestyles. Some of those examples would be development, 1 acre/estate size parcels adjacent to the properties, no 2 story homes that overlook the properties, large brick wall between rural and city. On 5 acre or more parcels have an access road within the development to accommodate a second exit/entrance for emergency access.

We have been attending the meeting and more consideration is address to new home owners who moved out in this area and now what to change it. I know there are only a few of home owners that have been in this area for a long time, so PLEASE, don’t take everything a few of us have worked for all of our lives away from us

My daughter, son and I own 3 properties here located at 3256, 3260 and 3290 N Grantland, and expect our family to live in this neighborhood for decades to come.

Thank You

Letha & Robert Oergel – 3256 N. Grantland  559-259-2480

David Thomas – 3260 N. Grantland  559-286-9715

Bruno & Dena Junnila – 3290 N. Grantland  559-284-6226
On Buin between Island & Shippensburg Cross Street from Harvest Elm School.

Picture taken Jan 6, 2017.
Good Morning,

Thank you for your e-mail. I will be sure to share your written comments with the Steering Committee. I look forward to seeing you at next week’s meeting.

Thank you,

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-----Original Message-----
From: John Lourenco [mailto:captainjrl@netzero.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 09, 2019 8:00 AM
To: Rodney Horton
Subject: Westside steering committee feedback for regional park

I was informed that I could email you with feedback and suggestions about the proposed regional park for the west side of Highway 99.

With regards to location I feel that it needs to be in the northern section of the area. My reasoning for that is that there are no city parks west of 99 and that far north in the city of Fresno. I don’t know specifically what the land ownership is of the piece of land that is just south of the island Waterpark, but that seems like a location that is big enough and is located in a desirable area to me.

With regards to what type of park amenities I would like to see, here are a list of things in order buy my own personal preference.

-Lighted athletic fields - football, soccer, baseball, softball for both adult and youth

-Covered picnic area’s large enough to host birthday parties as well as holiday gatherings

-Gymnasium or indoor basketball, volleyball etc. for both adults and youth

-Play ground equipment for kids
- A paved walking and jogging trail

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I also planned to be at next week's meeting as well if you wanted to have a discussion.

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Thank you for your comments, I will forward them to the Steering Committee.

Rodney

From: Elisa B [mailto:elisabilios@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 10, 2019 10:14 AM
To: Rodney Horton
Subject: West Side Steering Committee

Good Morning Mr. Horton,

I am writing as a resident of Forgotten Fresno with input for what I'd like to see happen on the west side of Fresno.

With respect to the potential site for a regional park for our community an ideal location would be the property immediately south of Island Waterpark. The location is very practical as it is of adequate size, and the borders are Highway 99 and Island Waterpark. It is also close to the Highway City community as well as Forgotten Fresno community. Features that I would like to see incorporated into the park are as follows:

1. Sports fields with lights so that our local youth can practice various sports at the facility.
2. Picnic areas for family reunions and birthday parties.
3. Tables with backgammon or chess/checkers games on top.
4. Tennis courts or putting greens with lights.
5. Handicap friendly playground structures and swings.

I am highly concerned about the intensification of land uses in the west area and that developers are not paying their fair share to mitigate the impacts of traffic and lack on infrastructure in our community. Our community is plagued with horrible infrastructure and city and county administrators that have been very indifferent to our situation.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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