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Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Zoning Amendment 8.02.001 (b)
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Hi,

I am a resident of Bartonville at 1667 Broome Rd directly across the street from Ronnie and Stacy Smith's arena. I would like to submit in favor of changing the ordinance to allow them to practice their mounted shooting. It does not bother activities on my property or myself. The shooting happens very rarely and honestly, is one of the reasons I continue to love Bartonville. I always describe us as the 'Wild west of Dallas' to people in the city. Please let me know if you have any questions. I am unable to attend the meeting on Wednesday, please submit this in favor of the change to my elected officials.

Re: Application for Zoning Text Amendment Town of Bartonville Dear Town of Bartonville: Pursuant to this letter and the enclosed completed Application For Zoning Text Amendment, we respectfully request that that the Town of Bartonville amend Ordinance 8.02.001(b), Discharge of firearms, to include a new Part 5 at the end thereof, which would provide as follows (the "Amendment"): "(5) Upon prior notification to the town marshal, the use of blank cartridges is permitted when used for training or exhibition on agricultural zoned properties in a manner not reasonably expected to cause a projectile to cross the boundary of the property." Initiation. The Amendment to Ordinance 8.02.001 is requested to clarify and document the longstanding continuous historical policy and practice of the Town of Bartonville of interpreting and enforcing Ordinance 8.02.001(a) as inapplicable to the discharge of a gun loaded with blanks on agricultural property with prior notice to the town marshal. The Town of Bartonville historically consistently has interpreted and enforced Ordinance 8.02.001 as allowing the discharge of weapons loaded with blanks on agricultural land with prior notice to the town marshal. As the Town of Bartonville continues growing, the influx of new residents makes it increasingly likely that agricultural property owners, the Town of Bartonville law enforcement, elected officials and other Town leaders will face questions from residential property owners unaware that weapons loaded with blanks do not emit projectiles that create the safety concerns that are the target of Ordinance 8.02.001 and unfamiliar with the resulting longstanding practice of the Town of Bartonville of treating the discharge of a weapon loaded with blanks as allowed under Ordinance 8.02.001 on agricultural properties. The Amendment to Ordinance 8.02.001 would more clearly document and preserve the longstanding policy and practice by the Town of Bartonville

of treating the discharge of weapons loaded with blanks on agricultural property as allowed under Ordinance 8.02.001. Concurrently, by codifying the customary practice of requiring prior notification to the town marshal before the discharge of a weapon loaded with blanks on agricultural property, the Amendment also supports the ability of law enforcement to respond to citizen calls and inquiries about a permitted discharge of a weapon loaded with blanks on Agriculturally zoned properties without the need to dispatch law enforcement to investigate.

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