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To: Michael Burrell <mburrell@manortx.gov>

Subject: Okra Tract Concept Plan

Hello Mr. Burrell,

Thank you for inviting public comment on construction in the Okra Tract area. My name is Anand Jayanti and I am a physician working in Austin. I live with my wife Kritika Jain at 14032 Heartland Drive, and have enjoyed this community for nearly 2 years. We are grateful to call this place home.

I spoke to neighbors on the topic of construction in the Okra Tract area last year, when this proposal was first mailed to us. This year, it seems even more clear that building homes in this area would meaningfully decrease the quality of life for members of our community, and as such I wish to reiterate my views and the views of my neighbors on Heartland Dr. Most pressingly, developing homes on this land would increase traffic on the main artery out of Manor and into Greater Austin. There is already a great deal of congestion at these junctions, and jams like the kind that occurred earlier this week can triple a half hour commute. This jam was discussed on several Shadowglen Community pages. Bringing development to this area without expanding the infrastructure out of the city would make the commute into Austin very difficult, and would therefore affect many of our community members. Additionally, further development would bring noise and dust pollution, pest intrusion (which many of our homes have just overcome, caused by recent construction in other directions), as well as reduce the natural beauty of the land as it currently is.

My wife and I are proud residents of our burgeoning community, and hope to raise children here one day soon. There are many others here in Shadowglen who are slowly building up lives, families, and careers, and turning their new houses into homes. Please consider our request to hold off on construction in the proposed plot.

Thank you,
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