

Subject: Request of Bob Moore Farms North, LLC for rezoning request

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed housing development in my neighborhood.

I went to the pre-development discussion on 6-14-2024. The representatives there showed maps and stated they would be requesting rezoning just to the power lines on Willowbend Drive. I again called and talked with attorney Gunner Joyce attorney for Bob Moore Farms. He again assured me no request would be made south of where the electric lines cross Willowbend Drive. Now I get a letter from City of Norman and have requested land south of the location. Rezoning should be denied just for being lied too. Other valid reason is the complex is too large for the area. It does not keep up with the character of the neighborhood. Willowbend will become a parking lot. The south end where they are proposing apartments is too small for building and parking spaces. The enormous increase of people and traffic will lead to increased crime, increased traffic that current infrastructure cannot support. The environmental damage will be harmful to the local wildlife and their habitat.

Property values will plummet. It will be very difficult to sell a home in this neighborhood. I built my home in 2022 because of the proposed development. I put my house about one month before this came out in the paper about the extremely large apartment complex. I had very good interest and showings. Now since this has come out anyone coming to look has made statements love house but don't want to live by the apartment complex. I am proof it will affect value and the sell of property in this area.

I strongly urge you to reconsider this proposed development. I recognize the need for housing but it needs to fit in the neighborhood it's being built. This doesn't.

Also anyone on committee to approve or disapprove and city council members who have a personal relationship with Bob Moore Farms should not be involved in this decision. I have already found some people that fall into this category.

Thank you


Don Brakhage

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To whom it may concern.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed housing development in our neighborhood. While I understand the need for affordable housing in our city, I believe that this project would have a detrimental impact on our community.

First and foremost, the proposed development is simply too large for our area. The increase in population density would put a strain on our already overburdened infrastructure, leading to increased traffic congestion, noise pollution, and strain on our public services. Additionally, the construction of this project would result in significant environmental damage, destroying natural habitats and putting wildlife at risk.

Furthermore, the type of housing being proposed is simply not in keeping with the character of our neighborhood. This development would bring in a large number of low-income residents, which could lead to increased crime rates and other negative social effects. It would also drastically alter the aesthetic of our area, replacing the existing greenery and open spaces with a monolithic, high-density housing complex.

Finally, I am deeply concerned because we listed our property prior to the announcement of this development. During our last open house, 5 buyers walked for fear of the upcoming project. They voiced their concerns of the impact this development would have on our property. So to date there has been a decline in property values, making it difficult for us and current residents to sell our homes and move elsewhere.

In conclusion, I strongly urge you to reconsider this proposed housing development. While I recognize the need for affordable housing, I believe that this project is simply not the right fit for our neighborhood. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Mona Waters



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