

I am Stephen Platt and live at 4910 Glendale Rd in Westwood Hills. As a neighbor the quality of Westwood affects me, and my comments reflect those of others and are not lone opinions. When the city doesn't like the answer, you keep changing and asking the question. The city has already indicated their preference; the council ignores the community's desires and continues to push for an alternative program.

Previous hearings during city planning and surveys have overwhelmingly indicated that Westwood is a community of single-family residents.

Yet the city council continues to push for more mixed use, commercial property and higher density housing as stated in the strategic planning resolution from December 2024.

The rejection of the sale of the park should have indicated to the members that the residents are not in favor of an office/commercial or mixed-use development. Additionally, the residents do not want to issue debt for the city to use on a spending spree.

Green space, tree canopy, single family residential housing. That is a theme in the previous master plans, meetings, and conversations. Please listen.

The survey monkey questionnaire is a sham. It will be spun and manipulated. Participation is not guaranteed to be balanced, there are no preference rankings, and the survey tips the city's hand and assumes it is okay to echo the RFP statement that the city is "amenable to a rezoning request".

The city is setting themselves up again with a carefully structured misleading survey intended to support a position other than the current zoning. Remember the City Facility Assessment study was used as justification to promote selling off land for commercial development. It is motivated by greed. Extracting more revenue from developers and granting TIFs do not guide the city to a better quality of life in the community. Confirming the goal of the RFP, nothing is more stable than tax revenue from single family homes. The city should not pretend to be in the real estate or development business.

The surveys answers recommended are 1) Suitable for the site? Parks, trails or open green space – do not select any other that apply as the results will be misinterpreted. 2) Developer partner values? Other – no rezoning maintain R-1. 3) Housing? Other – no rezoning. Want a bigger park. Questions 4 and 5 are only there to continue to beat down the alternative ideas that are being ignored.

A supplemental survey is being considered that states 5050 Rainbow should be dedicated as an extension of Joe D Dennis Park.

Do not except the false premise of the latest survey and listen to the electorate and your neighbors.