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To: Town Council

Subject: Proposed Location of New Men's Homeless Shelter

Dear Mayor and Town Council:

My family was very disappointed when learned that the town has recently proposed a new site for a 50 bed men's homeless shelter at the corner of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and Homestead Road.

This proposed location is <u>within walking distance</u> of Homestead Park, Homestead Aquatic Center, and Chapel Hill Senior Center as well as several residential communities, schools, preschools and daycare centers. The Homestead Park is widely utilized by children, seniors and families. It includes a playground, dog park, skate park, soccer fields, softball fields, picnic shelter, basketball courts and a newly constructed aquatic center. <u>Placement of a 50 bed men's homeless shelter adjacent to this popular public park is completely unacceptable and irresponsible!</u>

Please consider the negative ramifications of this decision and seek a more appropriate site for this facility.

Thank you for your time,

Zhimin Gao