

**Petition to Council re
Homestead Road/Weaver
Dairy Road Extension**

May 9, 2005

Requests

- Seek accident statistics from NCDOT/NCHP
- Install traffic light
- Add turn lanes
- Annex intersection into town
- Notify neighbors about petition

Background

- Vineyard Square SUP approved
6/25/01
- Project connected Weaver Dairy
Road Extension to Homestead
Road
- Improvements to Homestead
were a key issue for council

Background

- Manager's preliminary recommendation called for "exclusive left and right turn lanes" on Homestead
- Could be built by NCDOT, developer (Centex) or a third party
- Construction was to precede CO

Background

- Transportation and Bike & Ped boards supported manager's recommendation
- Developer objected, on cost
- Planning Board agreed
- Council dropped turn lanes

Background

- Final SUP required ...
 - Dedication of half a 90-foot ROW along site's Homestead frontage
 - Payment in lieu (\$24,000) for a traffic signal

Problem

- The lack of a signal or turn lane has created a dangerous situation for eastbound traffic







Problem

- **Neighbors:** Many accidents here
- **Neighbors:** Turn lane is needed
- **Limited sight lines**
- **Limited bailout space**

Concluding points

- Council assumed NCDOT would widen Homestead starting in FY05
- NCDOT has not widened and the 2006-12 TIP draft lists Homestead as a “post years” project
- Only work has been a NC Moving Ahead! paving that added to the shoulder

Concluding points

- Planning staff memo for 5/14/01 public hearing said TIA submitted to that point was incomplete
- “We believe that applicant’s Traffic Impact Analysis does not thoroughly address all potential future traffic scenarios for this development.”
- Manager’s recommendation thus assumed worst-case impact