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Joy Smith, Town Council, and Mayor Foy
Chapel Hill, NC

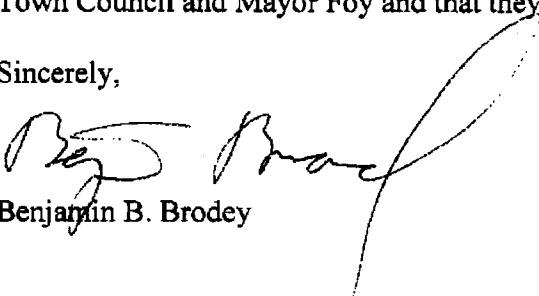
Dear Ms Smith, Town Council, & Mayor Foy:

Although I am unable to attend the June 16th planning meeting, I am writing as a property owner on Gimghoul Road to express my objection to a proposed building, a multi-story parking lot to be constructed behind the Drama Department at UNC. My concern is that such a parking lot would lead to further congestion on Country Club Road. As you may already know, Country Club Road is already consistently backed up during weekday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 pm, and on theater nights, as cars attempt to make a right-hand turn from the existing smaller parking lot to access South Street (Raleigh Road). Additional parking would only exacerbate this existing problem, making it impossible to turn left onto Country Club from Gimghoul. In addition, the entrance to Gimghoul Road is a frequent walking area for our children and numerous joggers, and I would not want to see additional traffic from the proposed parking lot endangering these walkers. My solution to this problem is that the primary entrance / exit to the parking lot should be via the opposite side of the parking lot on Raleigh Street. From Raleigh Street, cars could approach South Street without using Country Club.

On a separate note, I would like to let you know that I would very much like to have a wooden fence, similar to the one adjacent to the Arboretum, built between the parking lot on the north side of South Street near the Friends Meeting House and Kindergarten/Pre-School. The noise and bright headlights, not to mention thrown beer bottles, make an unwelcome neighbor to the Gimghoul Historic District. In discussing this with my neighbors, I have found universal agreement that placing a large wooden fence along the northern border of the parking lot would forever resolve this issue.

I would be grateful if you could see that these issues are brought to the attention of the Town Council and Mayor Foy and that they are raised at the June 16 meeting.

Sincerely,


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