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From: Steven Moore
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Now, more than ever, it is time to stop the University in its callous disregard for the town and its former residents (now buried in the Old Chapel Hill Cemetery) in its plans for a monster deck and cooling tower in proximity to the Old Cemetery.

The fact is that the amount of additional traffic that this proposal would bring to bear on the designated area is totally unacceptable - aesthetically and realistically. The entrance on to Country Club Road is overtaxed already and cannot stand more traffic, as well as the problems it would create for Gimghoul Road residents is simply wrong!

The more important fact is this totally disrespects the Old Cemetery. The University already shows its disdain and lack of respect for the Cemetery by letting illegal parking occur rampantly that has vehicles ramming the old stone walls from University property - almost totally without control. The mere idea of adding more traffic to do more damage is abhorant! The aesthetics of a monster parking deck is also without merit - purely for the convenience of the University. If indeed the University is serious on adding green space, let them do so over this entire area currently under asphalt and build the deck elsewhere! Whatever attempt to hide a 5 story deck from the Cemetery view is ludicrous to even conceptualize - you can't hide such a monstrosity - even if they say so!

There is no reason to believe their protestations that they will work to enhance the Cemetery as part of the process - it simply holds no believability based upon their past neglect in the problems related to the Cemetery that they directly cause and promulgate - without any meaningful attempt to control!!

In the name of all that is sacred in the memory of those who rest in the Old Cemetery -
**DO NOT LET THE UNIVERSITY BUILD A PARKING DECK
OVERLOOKING THE CEMETERY!!!!!!!**

Steve Moore