

Mr. Schmuggerow emphasized the fire that occurred previously involved a different product. The proposed use is strictly solid waste transfer. He also stated the proposed conditions are acceptable to the applicant. Additionally, the GA EPD approved resumption of activities in 2023 and stressed that hazardous waste may only remain on any site for a maximum of ten days.

Speaking in opposition to the request:

- Robert McLeod and Johnathan Maneer, Power House Diesel Generators – 1616 James P. Rodgers Dr.
- Ms. Gretchen Quarterman – 6565 Quarterman Rd.

Mr. McLeod and Mr. Maneer’s concerns pertained to the devastation the previous fire caused for the surrounding businesses. They stated that water testing is still required all these years later. Concerned that their intent to expand their own business, adding jobs would pose a threat to life and limb if a tragedy were to strike again.

Ms. Quarterman stressed the importance of the recommendations the GLPC members make, setting the rules about growth in the community while promoting care for the citizens and our earth.

Commissioner James Miller asked Mr. Martin for clarification on the proposed use. Mr. Martin reiterated while this is the same company, the process is different, with strict oversight continuing. This process is similar to a distribution center whereas no containers will be opened on site, they are strictly transferred to trucks and sent elsewhere. Commissioner Bythwood voiced concern about the proximity of the petroleum company across the road and asked about who monitors and enforces the process. Commissioner Wildes stated solid waste/hazardous waste is highly regulated by the EPD. Commissioner Willis stressed the importance of considering the concerns and safety of adjacent property owners and citizens, and also voiced concern about the volume that will be handled. Commissioner Hightower asked for clarification that this will only be a staging area with no mixing of materials. Mr. Martin referred to the Conditional Use Criterion included in the information packets.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Miller called for a motion. Motion by Commissioner Willis to recommend denial of the request. Commissioner Bythwood second. Four in favor, five opposed. Motion failed. (4-5)

Motion by Commissioner Wildes to recommend approval of the request as presented with 2 conditions. Commissioner James Miller second. Five in favor, four opposed. Motion carried. (5-4)

Agenda Item #9

VA-2025-01 James Warren (202 Denmark Street)
Rezone 0.73 acres from R-6 to C-C

Mr. Martin presented the case in which the applicant is proposing to rezone two (2) parcels totaling 0.73 acres from Single-Family Residential (R 6) to Community Commercial (C-C). The subject properties are