

the property to be used at its highest and best potential. The subject property possesses road frontage on Old US 41 North and Barker Road, both County maintained arterial and local roads. It is within the Urban Service Area, Old US 41 North Corridor Overlay and on the border of Neighborhood Activity Center and Suburban Character Areas. The TRC analyzed the request and recommends approval. A petition was received from the neighbors yesterday morning and a letter from Mr. Heard the adjoining property owner against this request. The Planning Commission recommended denial.

Robert Barber, 3908 Barker Road, spoke against this request. Mr. Barber stated when you leave his neighborhood there are already three businesses in this area and starting from the Smokin' Pig and counting across the street within a quarter of a mile, there are twenty businesses in Mineola. Mr. Barber is against the increased traffic as well as the Barco Village and Shamrock Hills residents are against this request too.

Virginia Castellanos, 4322 Swan Drive, spoke against this request. Ms. Castellanos stated the value of their property will decrease and the safety of their children is a concern.

Gaylon Graham, 3904 Barker Road, spoke against this request. Mr. Graham stated this property is in front of his house and he does not know what will be built. Mr. Graham stated he is retired and this is a quiet neighborhood and he asked what provisions would be made to protect the neighborhood. There are parking issues, traffic concerns and he asked for denial of this request.

No name or address was given, but she spoke against this request. She stated she lives in the neighborhood and is a professor at Valdosta State University that studies water quality effects on organisms. She stated this is where their drinking water comes from and by bringing in a business with high traffic the area water supply will be disrupted. This is a concern from the community as to how the water supply will be maintained and monitored.

Kathy Burks, 4351 Swan Drive, spoke against this request. Ms. Burks stated the seniors living in this area and increased traffic is a concern for her family.

Kimberly Tart, Steven Heard's daughter, spoke against this request. Ms. Tart stated this area has wetlands and her father is not building a house, due to the water supply. Ms. Tart stated she has received approximately sixty (60) people in opposition and that have signed a petition.

Burt Lancaster, 4302 Swan Drive, spoke against this request. Mr. Lancaster stated everyone walks and there are concerns with traffic.

Lynn Orenstein, 3885 Old US Hwy 41 North, with LSO Investments, spoke in favor of the request as the applicant. Mrs. Orenstein stated she was available to answer any questions.

Vice Chairman Marshall asked since the residents in the subdivision are sensitive to development, do you think having a buffer area would be a problem? Mrs. Orenstein responded the intention is to have traffic coming in to 3910 Old US 41 North, not Barker Road. The awkward spacing and size of the property limits the number of parking spaces and Mrs. Orenstein mentioned there is not an issue having a privacy fence on the back of Barker Road.

Opposition - Rebuttal:

Gaylon Graham, 3904 Barker Road, asked what is going to be built and will noise be a factor?