2810 Trail Rd. Lawrence, KS 66049

Mary K. Miller City/County Planner Sixth and Massachusetts Lawrence, KS



Subject: Planning Commission change of agenda

Dear Ms. Miller:

This is a request that the Planning Commission remove item PF-12-45-05 from the consent agenda and discuss it separately. This is also a request that the Commission allow public comment based on the following concerns:

- Size of the lots: The already diminished size of the lots would suggest two rather than three lots be developed. Across the lots, a combined 50 feet of frontage has been previously sold from the proposed lots 1 and 3. This is a considerable amount of space that would result in the proposed lots being smaller than originally planned and not being suitable to accommodate the three newly configured lots.
- 2) <u>Curb space</u>: The lots appear to be very narrow at the curb, again a consideration for 2 rather than 3 new lots.
- 3) Number of driveways: It would appear that four driveways on Homestead in a short space might be problematic. There are already two driveways between the intersection of Lawrence and Homestead (Current lots 11 and 14) and two more might not be reasonable.
- 4) <u>Architecture:</u> If three-story houses were allowed (as indicated by the planner), this would not be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood.
- 5) <u>Lot configuration</u>: The placement of the houses on the lots may be problematic given the limited frontage. Although the square footage may be adequate, the configuration may not lend itself well to the current character of the neighborhood if three houses are built.
- 6) <u>Existing covenant specifications</u>: These would need to be considered, especially adequacy of space to allow for required distances from lot lines, etc.

Thank you for your attention.

Jamis Bulgren Jamis Bulgren

## Mary Miller

From: WLWTTT@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2006 7:44 PM

To: mmiller@ci.lawrence.ks.us

Subject: Final Plat for Pioneer Ridge Golf Estates

I live directly across the street from the mentioned property. My concerns are:

- 1. The safety of adding two more driveways to the property.
- 2. The style and price of the houses that will be built. Will they fit in with our 35 year old neighborhood and follow the covenants?
  - 3. Has the problem of drainage been addressed?
  - 4. Will the city sewer system accommodate two more houses on this street?
  - 5. Will the builder be one who follows city codes and puts up quality homes?

Thank you for considering these areas before a decision is made.

Linda Wilson 407 Homestead Drive (PF-12-45-05) Many Low Miller RECEIVED Leewence, Kans JAN 0-6-2006 66049 ity County Planning Office Lawrence, Kansas 785-843-2775 Glanning Office -I am wretting in reply the letter dated Dec 30-050 regarding the replat of Late 11-12 less west 30 owned John Tacha - (408 Homestes wish to voice my strong opposition to the build laures on those lots. I own the west 30 ft of Lat 13 x Lot 14 to the lelist -If houses were bruilt to the east of my property it would certinaly obsture my in The last & my view to the go also I most important the dranage from these lots has always been an issure my property, if there hours " built I soil displaced, the legesitung dramage problem worse o resulting to only get more flooding to my hours

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## Mary Miller

From: Julie Swank [jtswank@sunflower.com]

Sent: Friday, January 13, 2006 7:12 PM

To: mmiller@ci.lawrence.ks.us

Subject: PF-12-45-05

Mary,

This is a follow up response to our discussion earlier this week regarding the Pioneer Ridge Golf Estates replat. I believe Lawrence would be better served by allowing 2 lots on this property instead of 3 for the following reasons:

- 1. Space issue: The original lots have been reduced by 30 feet on the west and 20 feet on the north from the original plan which reduces building space. For the past 4 plus decades, this land has held one home and one lot and these two entities were recently marketed for sale as such.
- 2. Character Impact: The smaller lots are inconsistent with the pre-existing homes in the neighborhood which changes the character and feel of one of Lawrence's most beautiful neighborhoods.
- Prime Property: The lots are prime property on the Lawrence Country Club golf course and should be given special consideration as a result of their uniqueness. The most ideal use of the land would be for 2 spacious homes with plenty of yard instead of 3 homes squished together.
- 4. Safety: The frontage of the lots is 70 feet along a curve. When you add two additional driveways in such a small space along a curve and allow for extra cars parked out front, the narrow, curved road could become a safety issue.
- 5. Drainage: The surrounding area has been in existence for over 4 decades and the movement of such an extensive amount of land would certainly have an impact on the drainage in that area.

Thank you for taking these considerations into account.

Sincerely,

Julie Swank