

Jasmine Forbes

To: Britta Monaco; Planning External Mailing; Tanisha Briley
Subject: RE: SP-8819-2021

From: robynkate@netzero.net <robynkate@netzero.net> **On Behalf Of** robynkate@netzero.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 4:56 PM
To: CityHall External Mail <cityhall@gaithersburgmd.gov>
Subject: SP-8819-2021

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I have lived in the City since I graduated from college in 1974. I've seen a tremendous amount of change in the face of the City since then. When I moved here, there was no Lakeforest Mall. (However that was a Lake Forest!). There was no Rio, no Crown, no Kentlands/Lakelands. No Costco, no Gaithersburg Police Station on Fulks Corner, no Activity Center. Casey Barns was still an actual barn. Becraft Antique store was a place my family visited from when I was 4 or 5 up until it's closure. A lot of changes - but we don't need a car wash just north of Walnut Hill.

I've lived in several different areas in Gaithersburg. And with the last 20 years of my being in bio-tech and pharma, I've worked a lot of different locations in the area. I've seen a lot of dramatic changes in the City.

Please add my name to those folks who oppose the car wash at Frederick Ave and Central Ave. Just like the building of the WaWa two blocks north, this development is completely wrong for it's location. It's too late to stop the WaWa debacle. But, I was happy to hear all of the negative comments from this week's City Council meeting. I hope the comments are taken seriously and the car wash will not be permitted.

I feel so sorry for the folks who live on Central Ave and that entire neighborhood. I use Central Ave quite often to get from Frederick Ave to the railroad bridge "in" Washington Grove. Central Ave certainly cannot handle the amount of traffic it will get as users of the car wash discover they can turn right out of the car wash and get to other parts of Gaithersburg without using Frederick Ave.

It's bad enough the people living on Tulip Drive/Gaither St./Peony Drive have to put up with the WaWa. But, I'm hoping that the Planning Commission and City Council will turn it down even if it meets the CB/CD district requirements. Please remember the ruling you set down regarding the crematorium application at DeVol. You did the right thing there and did the right thing for the community. Please do that again in this case.

(As an aside - I think Tanisha Briley was a great hire! I's very impressed by her.)

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From: Fitzgerald, Casey S [US] (MS) <Casey.Fitzgerald@ngc.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 4:29 PM
To: Planning External Mailing
Subject: New Carwash Proposal in Gaithersburg, MD

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Dear Mayor and City Council,

My fiancé and I are looking to move out of DC. We are tired of DC due to the congestion and noise. We both grew up in Montgomery County, so it only seems right that we begin our new life together where it all began. We were are looking at Gaithersburg because of the sensible development, schools, parks, retail, and restaurant options.

We love the homes off Central since I need to take the ICC to work, particularly the Mitchell Home Development located on Central Ave. We recently noticed the sign of a proposed car wash development on Central.

A car wash will bring traffic and noise that we will have to pass multiple times a day. Why would a City Council even consider this development in front of a residential community? There are several carwashes already located in this general area, so we are just questioning the consideration of an additional option.

We will likely pass on this community and look outside of the Gaithersburg area if this and other projects like it are the primary emphasis for development. Especially close to an up and-coming residential area. Also, it doesn't seem wise from an environmental standpoint either as the Muddy Branch Creek is next to this community. As a young adult who was raised in Maryland I was taught to respect and appreciate the delicate ecosystem in our area that is the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. A car wash located close by a body of water doesn't seem appropriate.

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Thanks,
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Jasmine Forbes

From: Tom Morse <tomrmorse@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 2:05 PM
To: Jasmine Forbes
Subject: Car Wash 601 Frederick Ave

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Dear Ms Forbes: I am writing to express my concern about the referenced proposed car wash requesting an environmental waiver with respect to the Muddy Branch Watershed. Thank you for your consideration.

Tom Morse
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Jasmine Forbes

From: Kathy Daniels <danielskd330@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 9:23 AM
To: Jasmine Forbes
Cc: Jud Ashman
Subject: Car Wash on Rt. 355

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Hello Ms. Forbes,

I'm writing to express my strong objection to a car wash on Rt. 355 & Central Avenue in Gaithersburg. It is already problematic turning onto Central Avenue off of Rt. 355. I attend the Unity church on Central Avenue and am concerned about the added danger a car wash would add to that location. Having to turn on to Central Av. from 355 in either direction would increase the challenge, even on a Sunday. I can't imagine what it would be like during rush hour. I'm certain the residents of the area would be very unhappy with that kind of congestion in their neighborhood. I'm hoping the Planning Commission will take the residents and church goers' deep concerns into consideration and not permit the car wash to proceed.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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Kathy Daniels

March 22, 2022

Refer: Concept Site Plan SP-8819-2021 (Whip Clean Car Wash)

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

I apologize I was unable to attend last night's meeting because I had to babysit my granddaughter.

I have lived in Gaithersburg for 13 years.

I am against the building of the car wash at Central & Frederick. I travel down Central to go to work and it already is bad. Can't image how much worse it will get.

This makes no sense to put a car wash in front of homes with all the noise.

A car wash here is not needed, and I am against this proposal.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hedy Lopez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Hedy Lopez

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