

**Jasmine Forbes**

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 11:16 AM  
**To:** 'Jenny Rivas'  
**Subject:** RE: No to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020.

Good Morning,

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Regards,  
Jasmine Forbes

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jenny Rivas <[jennykra3@gmail.com](mailto:jennykra3@gmail.com)>  
Sent: Sunday, August 30, 2020 11:39 AM  
To: [michael.sesma@gathersburgmd.gov](mailto:michael.sesma@gathersburgmd.gov); Ryan Spiegel <[ryan.spiegel@gaithersburgmd.gov](mailto:ryan.spiegel@gaithersburgmd.gov)>;  
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[jud.ashman@gaithersburg.gov](mailto:jud.ashman@gaithersburg.gov); Planning External Mailing <[Planning@gaithersburgmd.gov](mailto:Planning@gaithersburgmd.gov)>; Laurie-Anne Sayles <[Laurie-Anne.Sayles@gaithersburgmd.gov](mailto:Laurie-Anne.Sayles@gaithersburgmd.gov)>  
Subject: No to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020.

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Dear mayor/councilman/planner

I live in the Deer Park area which is a residential zone. I am concerned that the DeVol crematorium will bring an industrial zone into my neighborhood and will negatively affect the people I care about. I don't want a tall "chimney" emitting smoke and chemicals into the air where thousands of residents live, work, go to school. This parcel is not zoned for industrial use. I don't want the quality of life here changed by more traffic and smoke. Please reject this proposal.

Jenny Rivas

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 11:39 AM  
**To:** 'J. Jackson'  
**Subject:** RE: DeVol Funeral Home - Concept Plan Application SP 8415-2020

Good Morning,

The September 9th meeting is not a City sponsor event. Staff provided the Applicant a list to help with outreach. The list that was provided included the property owners within 200 feet of the DeVol property and addresses that was provided during the August 3rd public hearing and outside correspondence.

Regards,  
Jasmine

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**From:** J. Jackson <jestellj@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 9:29 AM  
**To:** Jasmine Forbes <Jasmine.Forbes@gaithersburgmd.gov>; Jud Ashman <Jud.Ashman@gaithersburgmd.gov>; Wife Nika Whitehurst <swhitehurst@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Fwd: DeVol Funeral Home - Concept Plan Application SP 8415-2020

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Hi Jasmine,

DuVol says they were given a list by the city to contact residents about this meeting about a crematorium near my home.

However, this was never sent to me and had to be forwarded by my neighbor.

Please advise as to why I was not on this neighborhood list.

Best,  
Jenna

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Pamela Lindstrom <[pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com](mailto:pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** August 31, 2020 at 8:55:23 AM EDT  
**To:** Jennifer Jackson <[jestellj@gmail.com](mailto:jestellj@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: DeVol Funeral Home - Concept Plan Application SP 8415-2020

Jennifer, I'm shocked that you didn't get this message. Apparently they sent to a list provided by the City?? It's a good thing I checked with you!

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Wallace, Scott C.** <[swallace@milesstockbridge.com](mailto:swallace@milesstockbridge.com)>

Date: Fri, Aug 28, 2020 at 8:31 PM

Subject: DeVol Funeral Home - Concept Plan Application SP 8415-2020

To: [pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com](mailto:pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com) <[pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com](mailto:pamela.lindstrom@gmail.com)>, [dick.lindstrom@gmail.com](mailto:dick.lindstrom@gmail.com) <[dick.lindstrom@gmail.com](mailto:dick.lindstrom@gmail.com)>

Mr. and Mrs. Lindstrom – Attached is the notice for a Virtual Informational Meeting that Bob DeVol is hosting on Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the project. The notice was mailed today to nearby property owners and other interested parties who appeared on a mailing list provided by the City. In advance of getting by mail, please feel free to distribute to your neighbors and other interested parties you are aware of via email or any social media platform you have access to. Also, although everyone participating in the virtual meeting is welcome to ask questions, in order to be efficient if you think it would be beneficial to have one or two folks from the community ask the questions that will likely be of general interest to the participants or want to send me questions in advance, I am happy to coordinate with you on that. Just let me know. Thanks.

### Scott C. Wallace

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 11:42 AM  
**To:** 'Celeste Polster'  
**Subject:** RE: "NO" to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020

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**From:** Celeste Polster <celeste.polster@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 9:30 AM  
**To:** Jasmine Forbes <Jasmine.Forbes@gaithersburgmd.gov>  
**Subject:** "NO" to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020

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Dear Planner,

I live in the Deer Park area which is residentially zoned. I'm concerned that the DeVol crematorium will bring an industrial zone into our neighborhood and will negatively affect the people I care about as well as bring the property value down.

I don't want a tall "chimney" emitting smoke and chemicals into the air where thousands of residents live, work and go to school. This parcel is not zoned for industrial use. I don't want the quality of life to change due to increased traffic and SMOKE. Please reject this proposal.

Respectfully,  
Celeste Polster

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 11:50 AM  
**To:** 'Zexiang Zhang'  
**Subject:** RE: NO to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020

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-----Original Message-----

From: Zexiang Zhang <[zexiang41@yahoo.com](mailto:zexiang41@yahoo.com)>  
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 10:28 AM  
To: Jud Ashman <[Jud.Ashman@gaithersburgmd.gov](mailto:Jud.Ashman@gaithersburgmd.gov)>  
Cc: Jasmine Forbes <[Jasmine.Forbes@gaithersburgmd.gov](mailto:Jasmine.Forbes@gaithersburgmd.gov)>  
Subject: NO to the proposed DeVol application SP-8415-2020

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are strongly disagreeing to the plan of building a crematorium in the Deer Park neighboring community. This community is a dense residence area and people living in this area will be severely affected and harmed by the crematorium should it will be constructed, because a lot of research already confirmed that the smoke out of the chimney of crematorium is very harmful to human health. A crematorium must be built in an area far away from dense population region.

Best regards,

Zexiang Zhang, Dunsan Fang, Ren Zhang, living in Rosemont, Gaithersburg, 08/31/2020

## Jasmine Forbes

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 11:53 AM  
**To:** 'Lisa MacBain'  
**Subject:** RE: NO to De Vol Crematorium in Gaithersburg

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**From:** Lisa MacBain <lisamacbain@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2020 10:33 AM  
**To:** Planning External Mailing <Planning@gaithersburgmd.gov>; Jud Ashman <Jud.Ashman@gaithersburgmd.gov>  
**Subject:** NO to De Vol Crematorium in Gaithersburg

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Dear planning committee members and mayor Ashman,

I have gone by the De Vol funeral business a number of times and I am shocked that they would consider building a crematorium on that site. I have had to visit and contract with three crematoriums in the past because of family deaths and they were all located in open country. It was explained to me that in Arizona and California this was required. The De Vol business is surrounded by Gaithersburg apartments, houses, and other businesses and would be unhealthy for the people and disastrous for property values.

PLEASE, PLEASE do not approve this plan to build a crematorium on the De Vol property in Gaithersburg.

*Lisa MacBain*

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