

## Jasmine Forbes

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**From:** Jasmine Forbes  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 10:11 AM  
**To:** 'Michael Jandrew'  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed Car Wash

Good Morning,

Thank you for your correspondence related to Concept Site Plan SP-8819-2021 (Whip Clean Car Wash). Your correspondence will be included into the record. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,  
Jasmine Forbes



**Jasmine Forbes, Planner II**  
**Planning and Code Administration**

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**From:** Michael Jandrew <m\_jandrew@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 10:08 AM  
**To:** Jasmine Forbes <Jasmine.Forbes@gaitthersburgmd.gov>  
**Subject:** Proposed Car Wash

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Good Morning,

I am a long time resident of Gaithersburg and have deep concerns about the proposed car wash at Central Ave and Rt 355. A couple of my concerns are listed below:

**Traffic** - there is already a dangerous traffic condition at that intersection. Recently, a sign was put up to eliminate left turns (355 south bound) that few people obey. Recently a large new church was conducted as well, adding additional traffic to an already potential bad situation.

**Environment** - This site is directly abuts next to a stream. The chemical run-off, water flows, and other hazardous materials would have a negative impact to that environment. Additionally, the noise levels would increase dramatically with the cars, machines, vacuums, etc.

The above are a few of my concerns for this project.

Thank you,  
Michael Jandrew  
517 Paradise Court  
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

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**From:** Doris Stokes  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 10:13 AM  
**To:** Michelle Betancourt  
**Cc:** Jasmine Forbes; John Schlichting  
**Subject:** FW: Car Wash

Michelle OC please  
Jasmine for your record

### Doris Stokes, Municipal Clerk

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**From:** Jud Ashman <Jud.Ashman@gaitthersburgmd.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 9:28 AM  
**To:** Doris Stokes <Doris.Stokes@gaitthersburgmd.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Car Wash

Hi Doris,

Please add this to the record on the car wash application.

Thanks!  
- Jud

Jud Ashman  
Mayor, Gaithersburg, MD  
Founder & Chair, Gaithersburg Book Festival  
[www.gaithersburgbookfestival.org](http://www.gaithersburgbookfestival.org)

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**From:** Linda M. Plummer <[ljplmp@aol.com](mailto:ljplmp@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:42 AM  
**To:** Jud Ashman  
**Subject:** Fwd: Car Wash

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FYI

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

From: Darryl Barnes <[delegatebarnes@gmail.com](mailto:delegatebarnes@gmail.com)>

To: 'Linda M. Plummer' <[lpmp@aol.com](mailto:lpmp@aol.com)>

Sent: Wed, Apr 14, 2021 7:24 am

Subject: RE: Car Wash

Thank you for your input. Have a great day!

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

From: Darryl Barnes <[delegatebarnes@gmail.com](mailto:delegatebarnes@gmail.com)>  
To: 'Linda M. Plummer' <[lplmp@aol.com](mailto:lplmp@aol.com)>  
Sent: Wed, Apr 14, 2021 7:24 am  
Subject: RE: Car Wash

Thank you for your input. Have a great day!



From: Linda M. Plummer <[lplmp@aol.com](mailto:lplmp@aol.com)>  
Sent: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 9:28 PM  
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[jfloyd3208@aol.com](mailto:jfloyd3208@aol.com); [lsavage09@yahoo.com](mailto:lsavage09@yahoo.com)  
Subject: Re: Car Wash

Hi Delegate Barnes:

We have already taken a position with the City of Gaithersburg, that this entity would not be the best fit for the area in question. It would create enormous traffic congestion and poor air pollutions. We value the communities in the Gaithersburg City limits and continue to support strong, healthy family environments.

Thank you  
Linda M. Plummer  
PresidentMC/NAACP

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

From: Darryl Barnes <[delegatebarnes@gmail.com](mailto:delegatebarnes@gmail.com)>  
To: [lplmp@aol.com](mailto:lplmp@aol.com)  
Sent: Tue, Apr 13, 2021 7:37 pm  
Subject: Car Wash

Good Evening Ms. Plummer,

I would like to introduce myself – I am Delegate Darryl Barnes, Chairman of the Maryland Legislative Black Caucus. I wanted to take this time to speak about a potential project that is coming to the city of Gaithersburg. Whip Clean has a location in Prince George's County and my interest is the economic

impact that they would provide to the city of Gaithersburg and the state of Maryland along with the number of jobs and opportunities they would create for people of color. If you have anytime this week I would love the opportunity to chat with you or should you have any technical questions please give Brett Schaechter the owner of Whip Clean a call at 301.943.7550, and I can be reach on my cell phone at 301.437.0225. Thanks again and I look forward to hearing from you soon.



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**Jasmine Forbes**

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**From:** rob <rob@bindeman.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:03 PM  
**To:** Planning External Mailing  
**Subject:** Car Wash Letter  
**Attachments:** Car Wash to City.pdf

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Hi Jasmine - Please include this in the record.

Thanks, Rob

**Rob Bindeman**  
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April 16, 2021

Ms. Jasmine Forbes,  
Planning Department  
City of Gaithersburg  
31 Summit Ave  
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Re. Concept Site Plan- SP-8819-2021, Car Wash at 601-607 S Frederick Ave

Dear Ms Forbes

The measurement of any proposed development per the City & County regulations is "does it conform to the code" and "does it enhance the neighborhood"? By way of example, the crematorium proposal from last Fall failed on both fronts. The Council acted accordingly.

With the 601-607 S Frederick Avenue car wash proposal, it is my belief that the application conforms to the CD-Zone. A car wash on State Route 355 is a reasonable use.

Whether it enhances the adjacent neighborhood is a somewhat more debatable topic.

As a longtime multifamily property owner nearby, it is my opinion that the single-family homes on these lots fall short of adding value to the area. There are a variety of vehicles and watercraft on the grounds that seem to be in a perpetual state of disrepair. This does not strike me as a welcoming gateway to downtown historic Gaithersburg.

The car wash that is being proposed has a professional appearance in its design exhibits, seems environmentally conscious by re-circulating water use, and will add jobs to the local economy. I can speak from personal experience that the owner/developer is a reputable businessman who looks forward to being a contributor to the greater Gaithersburg community.

For these reasons, I am writing to support the Application.

Sincerely,

Rob Bindeman, President  
THE LANDMARK COMPANIES