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Sent: Wednesday, February 05, 2014 12:20 PM
To: Clapp-Smith, Merritt (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Re: Waters Development

Ms. Clapp-Smith:

I am not able to make the Planning Commission meeting today. Please accept this e-mail as my official opposition for the rezoning of the Bradshaw property from Commercial to Residential. Of course by now you know I am opposed not to the development of the property, or seniors. But I still feel this kind of development, unprecedented in Highland, needs more community support, more thoughtful planning around the property itself and surrounding areas, and an overall closer scrutiny of this transit corridor plan as it affects abutting, mature neighborhoods. By not granting the variance at this time, you give us all a chance to take a collective breath and do what's right for my neighborhood.

You also know by now that I am strongly of the opinion that this development as planned is too dense and too aggressive for our neighborhood. I'm still confused by what the 'plan' is, certainly there has been no conversation that we as neighbors have been privy to in regard to what the Commission and/or City has planned for amenities that make this envisioned urban neighborhoods livable. Certainly traffic has been discussed though not adequately enough to calm neighbor's fears. And what about parks, you've already granted the green space variance to the developer, but you yourself pointed to the Highland reservoir as acceptable 'park', which is patently absurd, and I believe another Commission member (or Mr. Anfang) pointed to the Highland Parkway boulevard as being parkland. Again, absurd.

Thank you for your time.

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