

To The City Clerk, City of Guelph

January 10, 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am writing as a concerned tax-payer and citizen in relation to the rezoning plans for the area of Clair Road and specifically the Rolling Hills subdivision. While I do not live in this subdivision, the proposed activities for this mature area are disconcerting, prompting my input.

It is my opinion and belief that when a subdivision such as Rolling Hills is established, designed and approved under appropriate Regulations with clear restrictive covenants in place related to subdividing these properties, then these covenants should be held in perpetuity to reflect and uphold what the owners of these properties purchased. It was with clear foresight that the developer created this subdivision and the purchasers bought estate residential properties knowing that the covenants existed.

I understand that cities grow and evolve over time and that sections of land and development can become part of the city discussions for revisions to what they were originally planned for. I also understand that zoning evolves and changes over time to reflect the needs and changes within the city. However these should not and in my opinion do not allow for rezoning for what is clearly designed and clearly defined within the covenants of the land use in the Rolling Hills subdivision: residential estate lots. This sets a concerning precedent for all subdivisions within our city.

The Rolling Hills community was established and clearly defined as being estate residential properties and purchasers understood this use. To change the existing zoning and covenants makes no logical sense to me and is in contravention of the original intent. I personally, am opposed to these changes and would encourage the City to keep the estate zoning for the entire Rolling Hills community as was clearly established and approved through covenants the builder, Armel, put in place.

Regards,

Scott Richardson