

Dear Gahanna Planning Commission Members,

My name is Kelli Natale-Koppel. I am a Gahanna resident, residing at 746 Ridenour Road. I am writing to ask you to decline the request for rezoning for the parcel of land on West Johnstown Road near the old Moose Lodge. It is my understanding that a multifamily dwelling is proposed for this location. The area of Johnstown Road and South Stygler Road is very congested with traffic without the addition of a multifamily dwelling. There are no sidewalks in the area to safely support additional residents in the area. Gahanna is also a landlocked city, as you are well aware. With this being said I believe it is extremely important for all developments to be carefully thought out so that each new addition to our community reflects the future we want to see in Gahanna. Do we want to have additional rental property? Do we want to have affordable condos in the area to encourage ownership and community commitment? Do we want to upgrade existing roadways prior to development? Do we want a multipurpose development that would encompass housing and businesses? These are all questions that I believe should be fully answered and vetted prior to approving any zoning change or development.

Thank you so much for giving your time, energy, and commitment to helping Gahanna succeed as a community. The planning commission is an integral part of the process as Gahanna seeks to blend the old, current, and new.

Sincerely,
Kelli Natale-Koppel