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From: Katherine Thomas

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I am writing to you who are a member of the Gahanna Planning Commission. I ask that you take a minute to read my note. I am MOST concerned about the proposed development of the land at 5503 Morse Road. The proposed plan is just not appropriate for the lot.

One need only review the number of variances the builder has requested to know that that is true.

For example,

The lot is too small for the number of apartment units proposed. So, instead, the builder wants to mitigate 2 wetland areas and build 3 story buildings containing 8 units each in an area where one-story condos currently exist. He has given NO concern to those of us who already reside here. Three story buildings in the middle of one-story homes produces an eyesore, not something that is "compatible with the area" as the Staff Report says. Our city code has guidelines that can and should prevent this from occurring.

I am also very concerned about the increased traffic on Morse Road so close to the roundabout at Morse and 62. Traffic already backs up during rush hour at the roundabout. This will add potentially up to 900 people trying to come and go, possibly nearly 500 cars coming and going. There will be children and school buses. This is a HUGE number of people/cars/traffic being added to the area. I am not sure the area needs such

This list goes on and on.

Given the number of exceptions you are being asked to allow, I am asking that, at the least, you vote to delay approval of this request.

Those of us living in the area would like:

- an opportunity to understand the reasoning behind the stamp of approval that City Staff has given this project,
- a chance to examine other options,
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 a chance to work with the Planning Commission to come to some sort of compromise on what goes right next to our property and what gets added to the already busy traffic on Morse Road.

Thank you for giving my request due consideration.