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From: Tafoya Salon and Day Spa <tafoyasalon@aol.com>
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To: Sarah Strommen; Kristine Williams; John LeTourneau; Jill Johns; Mark Kuzma; Melody H. Shryock; Chris Riley
Subject: Northfork Meadows

Mayor Strommen and Council members,

First, thank you for all your time that you put into serving the City of Ramsey. I do watch the meetings on cable and know how much time people can take repeating the same thing and I didn't want to do that last Tuesday evening. If you can take a few minutes to read this it would be appreciated.

George and I built our house 41 years ago. We raised our 3 kids here and have loved it here. Besides the farming that was done behind our house in the past and in recent years that area has been empty except for the deer, coyotes, wolves, pheasants, ducks, loons, other birds and even the mountain lion that walked across the back of my yard a couple years ago, and my son even found Indian artifacts on the land -- it's a shame that it will have more than 150 homes built on it. It's just too bad that it wouldn't be made into a preserve.

Here are some of the comments that I think weren't brought out tonight.

1. 440 housing units are going to be packed into that small area by Capstone and Paxmar. That means at least 880 cars making 1 to 8 trips in and out of that area every day. Just think about that. This project doesn't fit. There should be a better transition between the 1 acre lots and the new development.
2. A comment was brought up that there was no neighborhood opposition to the Capstone project. Well, there are no neighbors by the Capstone project, and none of us in the surrounding area were ever notified of the project.
3. The Comprehensive Plan is a promise between the City and the residents. It should not be changed for a developer.
4. Personal privacy rights are being invaded.
5. Green Space!!!

If you go into this neighborhood and just imagine living with 400+ more people and 800+ more cars, I'd like to know how you would feel if that happened in your neighborhood. I'm not sure if that many townhomes are 'crammed' into the COR...

Thanks for taking the time for reading this and please take these and our other neighborhood comments into consideration. Extra tax revenue is not always a good thing!

Sincerely,

Mary Tafoya