

## Minority Report

From: Warren Glick  
To: Board of Commissioners  
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Re: Request of B. Sawyer for rezoning of parcel 82735

The property in question lies in a residential area along a heavily traveled road.

Two adjacent properties have already been rezoned to accommodate business purposes.

This particular property has a planned building to house supplies and equipment. Originally we were told it was basically to be the office location for a landscaping business with some tool and small equipment storage. However it appears that it really is the space planned for a general contractor.

The building is designed as an industrial storage facility - hidden somewhat behind landscaping - but it looks industrial and it is industrial. It is not, in my opinion, a mixed use building as staff has described it. The presence of a night watchman residing on the secondary story does not make it residential ( he is guarding industrial equipment ) but rather emphasizes the industrial nature of the business.

This is a residential area, including a continuing care facility, that should not have light industry inserted in its midst. Further this is a heavily traveled road that even the DOT has spoken of as needing upgrading - imagine the delays and impediments to traffic when trailers loaded with heavy equipment and building materials lumber along in the morning and evening "rush" hours.

The location was chosen as a convenient spot for the owner who lives nearby. It is the wrong reason . It is not an area at all conducive to industry.

While the land use plans call for supporting and encouraging business they also call for maintaining the character of the community.

If this were to be strictly an office operation I would support the rezoning request. However, as a combined storage, equipment maintenance and office I urge you to deny the request. If approved it will destroy the character of the community, the protection of which has so often been stated as a primary goal, and lead to more and more similar development requests in the area based on the fact this one has already been approved.

Long term plans and general prudence would strongly suggest request denial.

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