

Ms. Richardson,

I am writing to voice my concern over the plans to convert Briar Chapel residential lot 246 to a parking lot.

First, I disagree that converting this lot to a parking area will solve the problem for cars parked along Great Ridge Parkway. The issue along Great Ridge Parkway is that residents park along the street rather than use their driveways and garages. I highly doubt that the residents who park in front of their home will drive *past* their house and park in the new parking lot and walk to their home since they have already demonstrated that the short distance from behind their home in the designated driveway is too much of an inconvenience. My solution to this problem would be to initiate some sort of penalty or fee for parking along Great Ridge. Or may I suggest landscaping the small tract of land along Great Ridge where they are parking. Simple stones, plants, or shrubs along this area would deter parking.

As far as guests of residents along Great Ridge are concerned, they could park along Hill Creek Blvd or Turtle Point Bend and walk the short distance to the residents house. This may even be a shorter walk for them than the distance from the proposed lot to the residents home.

Finally, I do not want a parking lot near my residential home. This is a residential neighborhood – not an apartment complex. This parking lot will eventually decrease the value of my home.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my concerns about the proposed project.

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