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I live at 3497 Remington Rd., which is a corner lot within 250 ft from area in discussion. This is my primary residence, so I am very concerned what happens in this subdivision.

The way it sounds to me, if this variance to the subdivision regulations is considered, most of the traffic coming in & going out, will be on Remington Rd., with the only way in & out, on Remington Rd. Common sense tells you this is not going to work. There are already too many people in this housing area, to have only one exit to Longview, & many more about

ready to move in.

I just don't feel comfortable with what this engineering company is asking for. Subdivision regulations are made for a reason & we should follow those regulations. I don't think the variance should be considered.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Hinzman

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Rapid City Planning Council
300 6th Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

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Rapid City Growth
Management Department

Re: Variance to Subdivision Regulations
File #06SV021

Dear Sirs,

We reside at 6390 Longview Road, Rapid City; Call Subdivision Lot 3 of Lot A Less W165' Pennington County, South Dakota.

In regards to the new variance request by Davis Engineering we would like to submit for the record our intense disagreement with such variance. We do not believe that Longview Rd can handle the extra traffic and the local fire departments are now being asked to protect over 300 homes with just two points of access. We should also mention the disregard for the sewer systems; we were lead to believe by the Rapid Valley Water District that Murphy Ranch Estate is connected to a system that is gravity controlled with no pumping station. What would happen if the water level was to rise? We can dig four inches at our home and hit water and we are not as low as the ditch located on the south side of M.R.E. We wouldn't want our wells to be contaminated and then forced into connecting to city water systems.

We would also like to mention that the safety and quality of life our animals are accustomed to has been completely interrupted. Since the first request for rezoning from Davis Engineering, something my husband and I and several other residents pungently disagreed with, we have lost several fowl and the pleantry of horseback riding due to the increased traffic and total disrespect for speed limit signs. We truly believed going from low agricultural to suburban residential (we would have agreed to low residential) was an incredible and unwelcome proposal to say the least, but to raise the number of dwelling units again is a total discount and a slap in the face to the residents that purchased land in the immediate area 10 to 50 years ago to avoid living on top of their neighbors. Now, because a developer wants to make a larger profit, the residents around him must suffer the consequences and lose their dream home. When will it stop?

We are not opposed to progress; progress is a must in order for our country to grow and prosper. We are opposed to the way we are alerted to the changes around us. We know it takes months to submit paperwork for anything as major as rezoning and the little green signs posted (left leaning on an existing post not even able to stand on it's own as the case in the Murphy Ranch rezoning) to alert area residents is so small and insignificant that most of the time it is unnoticed until a registered letter arrives. As an afflicted resident we are giving only 30-60 days to respond to something that has taken a developer months if not years to research and plan. The time allotted to gather information on the harmful impact of such changes is so slight that we are unable to make any impressions in our favor.

We watched two area homeowners of less than five years pack up and sell their homes because they felt they could not fight "city hall". We disagreed with their solution and fought for what we believed to be right for us. We were overruled and resigned to the fact that 300 homes would be within a stones throw of our once quite and serene home. We have always believed in our system of government until the rezoning of Murphy Ranch Estates. We had inquired several years before the rezoning about a business in our home but was told the area was not zoned for commercial use even though Joe's Sandblasting is located within 500 feet of our property. However, two years ago a dog kennel business was approved for the residents immediately to the East of our property, again we were giving only 30-60 days to respond and now the addition of 20 more dwelling units. We are becoming increasingly concerned that our system is designed for the ones with clout and not for everyone. When will our concerns be heard?

Sincerely,

Dan and Tina Mulally

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