From: Keith Montgomery
To: Karen Edwards

Subject: Durham Zoning Board of Adjustment - wedding / concert venue Winecellar Road

Date: Sunday, May 12, 2019 11:09:16 AM

Good morning,

I will unfortunately not be able to attend the Zoning Board meeting for this upcoming week and wanted to voice my concern for rezoning the Winecellar property for concerts, weddings, etc.

- 1. The subdivision (and Winecellar road in particular) are not designed for a heavy traffic load based on road conditions as well as logistics of entering / exiting the subdivision.
- 2. Longmarsh, Cutts, and Ffrost roads are frequented by runners, bikers, strollers, dogs, and children at play wedding and concert traffic will create a public safety issue (even if alcohol consumption is not a part of the equation, which it likely will be with those event types). The backlash / liability if a child is involved in an accident associated with event traffic would be significant.
- 3. Longmarsh lacks sidewalks and pedestrian safety measures to handle additional traffic (again a safety issue).
- 4. Noise pollution from these events will ruin the quiet / family-oriented neighborhood atmosphere as well as the essence of the Sweet trail and recently converted conservation land along Longmarsh (irregardless of the timing of the events).

I hope you can relay my concerns as part of the Zoning hearing, and I think it is fairly obvious that I am against approval of the proposed variance. This is supposed to be a residential neighborhood, not a concert venue. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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