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Sent: Friday, November 21, 2025 11:58 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: 746 Blackmarsh comments

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Growing up in Cowan Heights I remember looking up at the lush forest off Blackmarsh Road and being grateful it was there. The sight of those trees let my little mind know the world was more than just streets and cars and houses and malls and corner stores. That despite all the development and growth, we still lived in a natural world.

I've visited my parents in Cowan Heights countless times over the ensuing [REDACTED] years and I looked up at those same hills every time. That magnificent cluster of evergreens appeared thinner and more sparse every time I turned my eyes towards it.

Today, the view that used to bring my young soul such relief is now hampered by a four-lane highway. The endless rows of old growth trees have become a sea of sloping rooftops. The evening sun used to cast its rays over an entire forest of deep, dark, natural greens. Now when the sun goes down, its the reflective paint on a neon highway sign that catches its dying light.

The mighty trees that used to occupy those grounds were a reminder of what's real, and what's not. They were felled by the hand of a person who was convinced their absence would prove more valuable than their presence. It has not.

I recognize people need somewhere to live. But in answering that need, we must first ensure our environment is one worth living in.

I implore all those involved to look around at this city we all call home, to carefully weigh what's been gained against what's been lost. And to seriously consider whether we want to live in a natural world, or continue building an unnatural one.

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To whom it may concern,

I live at [REDACTED] and I personally think more affordable housing is needed in the city however, I do not believe this is the right location. Closer to the Village Mall or closer to shops would be a better location as most lower income people struggle with transportation. While there's bus stops on Canada Drive, our public transportation system is not optimal for most. It will make getting groceries and other necessities for most people to be very challenging.

Overall I think it is a poor location and would be better suited for other areas of town.

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From: Engage
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2025 3:14 PM
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Subject: FW: New Planning Application Open for Feedback until December 9

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