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To: Planning Commissioners

From: Teena Halbig
Floyds Fork Environmental Association
Planning Chair
6505 Echo Trail
Louisville, KY 40299

Date: 10-30-19

Re: 19-DDP-0017

The **Tree Canopy is totally removed** in the amount of over 27,000 sq. ft. or **56% of the site**.
Everything is removed = No existing Tree Canopy to be preserved.
25% is the required amount of Tree Canopy so NEW PLANTINGS of 25% are to be planted.
This equates to a loss of of 31% of Tree Canopy.

There needs to be better planning to preserve some existing trees.

No one goes back from Planning to see if the trees are living in the future. I see dead and dying trees and cut down trees that were planted in new developments in the past in Fern Creek.

While trees take up carbon dioxide, the carbon dioxide is stored in the trees; however, when the trees are cut down, the carbon dioxide escapes back into the atmosphere. Therefore, it is better to retain existing trees. See the below:

Forests play a huge role in the **carbon** cycle on our planet. When forests are **cut** down, not only **does carbon** absorption cease, but also the **carbon** stored in the **trees** is **released** into the atmosphere as **CO2** if the wood is burned or even if it is left to rot after the deforestation process.

Deforestation and Climate Change - Climate and Weather

<https://www.climateandweather.net> › [global-warming](#) › [deforestation](#)

This proposal is along Bardstown Road which is heavily trafficked daily and lots of emissions. APCD does not have monitors but in very, very, very, very few locations in Jefferson County in a populated big city. Also APCD nor Planning have gone back to check air quality post developments in Jefferson County.

Government is to be protective of the health and welfare of the public and Planning is a government entity. Tree canopy is not being adequately addressed by allowing developments to clear the land of trees and vegetation and then allow tiny trees to be newly planted that might or might not survive. Also these tiny trees do not replace the Tree Canopy for 10, 20, or 30 or more years into the future - if, if, if they survive. And who will know if the trees survive or not? no government monitoring of the business sites.

There needs to be more innovative planning to retain some existing trees on site.

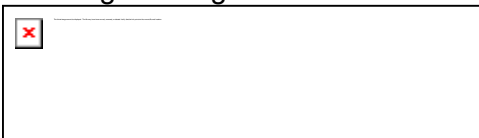
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Hello Teena,

I apologize, I'm not sure what you are asking. I've attached the most recently submitted plan. Is this helpful?

Lacey Gabbard, AICP
Planner I
Planning & Design Services



From: Teena Halbig [mailto:teenahal@aol.com]
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Hi,

What is the request to be in the DDP?

Regards,
Teena Halbig

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