

## St. Germain, Dante

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Good afternoon!

As you will see below, I am the pastor of Bethany UCC, which is located on the property adjacent to 10410 Old Preston Highway. I also live in the neighborhood, at 4610 Walden Drive. A previous commitment will prevent me from attending the zoning hearing to be held tomorrow, December 9, at 1 PM; however, I wanted to express a concern on behalf of the congregation and myself.

- Our main concern is the tree line at the west end of our property. There seems to be some question about the property line there - some drawings show that we have trees on our property at the western edge, and some don't. We would like to request that those trees remain standing, and that any construction would not come so close to them that the roots are destroyed. For one thing, the trees form a natural barrier between our property and the proposed apartments; for another, they are mostly large trees that are responsible for cleaner air and a better environment all the way around. Large trees like that would take years to regrow! This area of town is seeing a lot of development, and we wish to keep as many trees as possible, to avoid becoming a "concrete desert."

Thank you so much for your attention to this matter. If you have questions, or need clarification, you may contact my cell phone: 502-767-3619. I will be in a meeting from 12:50-3 PM, but otherwise available this afternoon and tomorrow morning.

With Gratitude,

Ann Houlette

Rev. Ann Houlette, Pastor (she/her/hers)

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