

# JULY–AUGUST 2020

- **Petition submitted with over 350 signatures asking for a night time in person hearing.**
- **COVID delayed hearing till March 1 with a scheduled hearing for November 10 being cancelled.**
- **Reason for night hearing is so more people could attend and so Commissioners can see and feel our anxiety. This proposal is detrimental in more ways than one!**

# MARCH 1, 2021

- Meeting started late due to not 1, but 3 thermometers not working.
  - People were standing outside and some left
- Gym was cold and got colder as night went on
- Screen for presentation was not clear
- Makeshift podium on 2 cardboard boxes and nowhere to lay your notes down
- Noise in gym was echoey
- Several references to the setup were mentioned during hearing
- Emails to Dante from neighborhood were sent about concerns that our voices weren't heard
- After 4 hours, meeting suspended due to technical difficulty.

# MARCH 18, 2021

- **Speakers from March 1 did not re-do speech after being told that Commissioners could understand tapes.**
- **Steve Porter was not given same due process as Cliff**
  - **Cliff was allowed to interrupt, during business session mind you, and ask for indefinite continuation. But Steve was never given the chance to comment on that request by Cliff or perhaps asked the commissioners questions.**
  - **If tables were flipped and we were losing, would Steve have been given an opportunity to interrupt the business session and ask for a continuation so he could talk to his client?**
- **Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Claire, and Commissioner Carlson all agreed that the diesel canopy, specifically the tractor trailer component, changes the character of the plan and was not suitable near neighborhood.**
- **Julia Williams even said the plan violated codes**
- **RaceTrac did not look at any other sites as possibility**
- **After meeting ended, those of us at Valley Hope Hall were confused. Joe Reverman explained that RaceTrac had to either re-do the plan to address code violations and diesel canopy or walk away and that it'll likely be late summer or fall before we have another hearing due to the backlog of cases on the docket**

# MAY 17, 2021

- **New Plan was submitted a short 3 weeks after March 18**
- **New Plan does nothing to the diesel canopy to address what Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Claire, or Commissioner Carlson said was the problem on March 18, the tractor trailer component. Therefore, this new plan should be rejected and the near ruling on March 18 should be upheld. This is a total disregard to the Commissioners and the same disregard our neighborhood has face for over a year (Selective Hearing)**
- **Having an indefinite continuation was a ploy by applicant/Cliff to keep from losing on 3/18 and get a new hearing with more or different commissioners.**
- **Diesel Canopy should be eliminated all together**
  - **Eliminating tractor trailer accommodations means there's no need for diesel canopy cause box trucks and dump trucks can fuel at other gas station or up front with passenger cars.**
  - **Wall needs to be increased in height to not only accommodate sound buffer but privacy for nearby homes. 8' wall does not meet those needs.**
- **We asked the Commission to uphold their near ruling from March 18 and vote NO to this neighborhood truck stop. This will not hurt RaceTrac as they will find another lot where they can actually build without restrictions (such as more diesel pumps, more truck access instead of just the one access they have today which all diesel canopies have multiple access).**
- **Please do your service to our community by protecting us. Thank you!!!**

VOTE NO!!!!

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March 18 Recap:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGBq1DYr9HA&list=PLOYICwbKWCuljygz\\_b2s7HDatCOAZ2MCR](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGBq1DYr9HA&list=PLOYICwbKWCuljygz_b2s7HDatCOAZ2MCR)