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Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 3:56 PM
To: zzDept. Mail - Town Clerk
Subject: Re/Colleton Crossing

Dear Sir/Madame:

I am a resident of the Highlands subdivision, and I live one home away from Claymore Rd. The quality of my life and that of my family will be significantly affected by your decision on whether to allow connectivity of Colleton Crossing to Claymore Rd. I have a few points that I would like to make regarding your upcoming decision on whether to allow connectivity to Claymore Rd. by Colleton Crossing:

1. I was very surprised and shocked to hear that when the Highlands subdivision was annexed into Carroboro, the city only annexed the tax producing properties (and accepts the benefits from such taxes) and did not annex and accept financial or any other form of responsibility for the roads that run through the Highlands.
2. The Highlands gained virtually no benefit from being annexed by Carrboro other than trash pickup. Obviously, the move was one sided, designed to provide tax revenue to Carrboro to be used by it in its downtown areas and any place other than the Highlands. Since Carrboro accepts no responsibility for the streets of the Highlands, obviously, the tax dollars from our subdivision will not in any way be used to benefit those streets.
3. Because of its failure to accept responsibility for the streets of the Highlands, the town of Carrboro should acknowledge its failure to gain any rights to make any decisions regarding the use of those streets. Even assuming no legal obligation of Carrboro to recognize this lack of power, there is a moral obligation that it do so, especially when such decision will have an additional negative impact on the homeowners of the Highlands, all to the betterment of the developer of Colleton Crossing, a private company, and its future residents, private individuals. My rights, as a homeowner in the Highlands, are just as important as any alleged "rights" of anyone else, and you cannot take my property, whether by devaluation or otherwise, for the personal use of others and all without adequate compensation.

Patti Young