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Oak Hills Neighbor, As your president I wanted to share with you the information from the Highland Road Alliance group that wants to preserve the beauty & historical landscape of Highland Road. Since May 17th flooding that affected so many residents along Highland Road, the Alliance has reached out to all subdivisions about the issue for the 240 unit apartment complex at Highland and Bluebonnet..here is a note from the President, Buddy Lane

It is critical that each and every voting member of each and every household as part of your Association fill out this form objecting to the Zoning Change. The numbers for and against are counted and the tally is read into the record of the Council Meeting. The Planning Commission received 216 objections through this process prior to their meeting on June 21. Unfortunately, the vote was 5 to 4 in favor of the Zoning Change request. But you can see the 216 objections made an impact. It will be important to increase this number of objections substantially prior to the July 21 Council meeting. **Requested Action Beginning Friday July 16:**

The Metro Council Website states: Public comments must be submitted electronically on the E-Public Comment form, available here: www.brla.gov/councilcomment We will use this form starting Friday, July 16th

Requested Actions Starting Today:

- Each household voting member Email your Council Member now. We are targeting more than 1,000 emails. This will make a strong impact.
- Use the following in the Subject Line of your email: **@Highland Zoning Change Request**
- Open your email with the following: Please vote **NO** regarding the @Highland Zoning Request at the July 21 Metro Council meeting
- Your explanation should be in your own words, but we suggest you use one or more of the following reasons, but feel free to use your own reasons as well:
 - Concern of adding 240 Apartments in a high-rise on Highland Road, which is not in keeping with the surrounding area
 - Concern of additional building in the floodplain on a site that itself flooded on May 18, 2021, and will worsen flooding in the area
 - Concern of Increased Traffic, up and down Highland Road, as well as Bluebonnet, but especially at the Highland / Bluebonnet intersection
- Include your name, address, and phone number at the end of your email and close by saying you are their constituent.

We plan to have all 10 speakers meet in advance of the July 21 Metro Council meeting in order to coordinate topics and schedule the order of speakers. If you are interested in speaking please respond to this email.

Having a large attendance at the July 21 Metro Council meeting and additional people that want to ensure their concerns are heard will be very beneficial to our effort. If we have 10 speakers each taking their full 3 minutes, and another 100 taking 20 seconds each, the impact will be great. But everyone has the right to speak their full 3 minutes. As a reminder, the Metro Council will meet at either 222 St Louis Street if it is at City Hall or the Library, 250 North Blvd. COVID protocols are being relaxed, so as July 21 gets closer, we will know if we can meet in the Council chambers or at the Library.

Thank you in advance for your support in helping protect our Historic Highland Road.
Buddy Lang, President of Highland Road Alliance