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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a homeowner at the above address. I wish to go on record that I oppose the rezoning of 1206 Madrid Ave to a commercial property.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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MRS. SALLY BOYD WILL NOT BE AT YOUR MEETING ON Ape. 7 2009, Due To her Age of 88. MRS. Boyd would like for the Lomission to know that this business has Afready Cause innected Foot and Truck Traffic that This small neigborhood doesn't Meed. There only Be More.

This Letter Written By her son-Apaison Boyd-

> Mrs. Sall Boyd And Oddison Boyd 1201 Markin Ave -Javanah, Ga. 31406 912-354-0995 912 596-7556

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ATTN: Thomas Thomson-Exec. Dir./ James Hansen-Sec./Gary Plumbley-Planner.

RE: Z-090305-59556-2 (1206 Madrid Ave.)

Dear Sirs,

This item was originally scheduled for April 7, 2009 and per petitioners request has been rescheduled for April 21, 2009 at 1:30 PM. Please enter this letter as part of the official record.

- 1) Vote NO to Mr. Patrick O'Connor's request to change the current and appropriate R6 zoning of 1206 Madrid Ave. to R-B-C-1.
- My property at 11 Sherwood Rd. is DIRECTLY behind 1206 Madrid Ave. and I DO NOT WANT A COMMERCIAL ENTITY <u>DIRECTLY</u> BEHIND MY BACK YARD.
- 3) Changing from R6 to RBC1 zoning will have a NEGATIVE AND DETRIMENTAL EFFECT to this family neighborhood. This neighborhood was established in the 1950's and 60's (11 Sherwood was built in 1961) and has maintained a SAFE and QUIET atmosphere to this day. Allowing a commercial zoning on Madrid will be ruinous to the family's attempting to maintain this nice neighborhood.
- 4) ALL the homes on Madrid Ave. and Sherwood Rd. are zoned R6 and should remain so. There is one home on the South East corner of Madrid and Waters Ave. which is a commercial operation <u>but the frontage of this business</u> is on Waters Ave. NOT on Madrid Ave.
- 5) There is no hardship to Mr. Patrick O'Connor regarding his request to rezone. Mr. O'Connor already OWNS EVERY PROPERTY on the North side of the 1200 block of Madrid Ave. Please note that ALL of his other properties on the 1200 blk. of Madrid are for sale and have been for over 2 YEARS.
- 5A) Please remember that in April 2008 Mr. O'Connor was DENIED his rezoning attempt (B-080325-56885-2) to turn 1202 Madrid into THREE (3) R6 lots. He was authorized to cut 1202 Madrid into TWO (2) R6 parcels which was fair. However, his past and current actions show that Mr. O'Connor is simply trying to squeeze as much profit out of his properties without any regard to his R6 neighbors. Now Mr. O'Connor has hired an attorney (J. Scott Vaughn) in his latest effort to exploit our R6 neighborhood.
- 6) Objectively, Sherwood Rd. and Madrid Ave. are <u>already</u> surrounded by an excessive amount of commercial properties. There are always VACANT commercial properties for sale and rent in the Montgomery Crossroads, Waters Ave. and Mall Blvd. area and have been for the last 10 years plus. The current excess inventory of commercial properties in this area will take years to be sold and/or rented.
 The LAST THING we need is another RBC1 building much less one on Madrid Ave.
- 7) Mr. Thomas Thomson the Executive Director of the MPC states on the MPC website that "The SCCMPC has made a commitment to protect Coastal Georgia's natural resources, QUALITY OF LIFE, and economic viability by doing business in a way that is good for the environment and good for the bottom line".

I implore the MPC Commission to enforce this mandate and PROTECT THE QUALITY OF LIFE for the families living on Sherwood Rd. and Madrid Ave. and DENY the request to rezone 1206 Madrid Ave. 1206 Madrid Ave. has been zoned R6 since 1952 (56 YEARS) and should remain zoned R6.

Bill Bennett Homeowner

CC:
City of Savannah Mayor and Aldermen
Chatham County Commission
Metropolitan Planning Commission
Mr. Jim Morekis
Mr. Bill Dawers

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