From: Info Woodrock
Sent: Monday, 20 May 2019 09:45
To: WKRRA Woodmead & Khyber Rock Residents <robertsw203@tiscali.co.za>
Subject: PRIORITY - immediate response please - OBJECTION to Re-Zoning

Dear Residents

We have happened across a Notice for Rezoning on the gate at 16 Hillman Street, whereby Objections close on **Wednesday 22nd May 2019**. Herewith is our official WKRRA OBJECTION which shall be hand-delivered to the Town Planning offices by lunchtime on Wednesday.

The owners of this ERF previously asked for eight houses to be built in 2015, which we successfully opposed. Our Objections won the day and the City agreed to four houses on that stand. They have now reapplied for eight again but the COJ rules have not changed and neither has the infrastructure been upgraded and I thus believe they are basing this on the new NODAL REVIEW POLICY which has not yet been passed into law.

We appeal to you to raise objections as well and hand-deliver these by **TUESDAY EVENING to 6 B Chrysler Street,** so that I can process and include in our Wednesday morning delivery. Please ensure you **SIGN** your letter and list your **full name,** your **street address,** your **contact detail** (email & telephone number) on the letter. Please provide me with TWO COPIES (original for Town Planning plus copy for them to stamp as a receipt and WKRRA to retain as POD and for Admin purposes). Should you so wish, you can SCAN / email a signed copy to ourselves at <u>info@woodrock.co.za</u> I also enclose a sample letter received from resident / architect Etienne Favre of Singer Street. Many of you have previously objected to the various re-zonings in our area and would thus have your previous Objections on file so you could edit appropriately and use in this case. Please carefully read the above requirements which are truly important and necessary and do your Objection letter immediately.

Our WKRRA letter clearly deals with the legal aspects off the NODAL REVIEW POLICY which the City of Joburg Town Planning Division is attempting to implement. This, together with the Inclusive Housing Amendment and Land Usage Act will change the face of our city forever.

From the largest Urban Forest in the world, the City is planning what many believe to be uncontrolled densification and ERFS of 500 m² each. Factories, Hotels and various other constructions including apartment blocks will be allowed in residential areas. All housing / apartment blocks over a certain number of dwelling units must include certain percentages of economic housing options.

All the above has been provided within the Road Closure notifications from Gary Duke which are regularly posted on our website. Our own previous communications, as well as that within the media, advise of the dangers of the above and of the formation of JUST, a group of Resident Associations who have at least got COJ to put the NODAL REVIEW POLICY on hold until <u>due and proper Public Participation</u> has been accorded the residents of Johannesburg. Obviously residents of this area MUST attend these meetings and voice their opinions – please become ACTIVE CITIZENS !

I believe we all understand the need for densification within the urban areas, but responsible and thinking property owners are asking for controlled densification which will retain some history of the areas as well as be environmentally acceptable and ensure a place and space for our grandchildren to live peacefully.

The above needs your URGENT ATTENTION please.

Very many thanks. Wendy Robertson (For and on behalf of the WKRRA). 083 700 2401