

April 12, 2022

Re: Guy R Brewer Blvd Re-zoning

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN;

I, Iris Palmer, member of Calvary Baptist Church write to testify that we are in dire need of low income apartments in this area. The cost of housing in this area is exuberant. Having affordable housing, my neighbors and fellow church members believe it will be beneficial to the community especially for younger couples wishing to start their lives.

With that said, I am in full agreement of the rezoning of this area in my community.

Sincerely,



Iris Palmer

Good Morning, my name is Lonnie Glover, President of Spring-Gar Community Civic Association.

This is my third testimony in opposition of the proposed rezoning at 146-93 Guy R. Brewer Boulevard, on behalf of the homeowners, residents, businesses and adjacent communities. The Springfield Gardens communities have unanimously voiced their desire to maintain an R3-2 (3 Story height limitation) zoning structure at this proposed site. This proposed rezoning request made prior to the pandemic by the land owner in 2019, was never brought directly to the community which it is was targeted until late 2021, but submitted directly to CB13.

CB13 having heard the community concerns regarding opposition to this application, voted unanimously against this application. We the community of Spring-Gar are not attempting to deny the land owner the right to seek rezoning, but have continually expressed the many concerns against the construction of a facility not in compliance with the existing R3-2 zoning at this location. We too wish to change the current view at that existing site.

The proposed structures (R6A/R6B) with its number of apartment units and parking spaces would greatly add density to an already over saturated location within Springfield Gardens. This location is already supporting Two Homeless Shelters, each less than 75 feet from the proposed site, PS 52 less than 100 feet away and a Tractor Trailer Repair facility less than 50 feet, directly across the street on 147 Avenue. GR Brewer and 147 Avenue is already a HIGH TRAFFIC corridor between the Belt Parkway and Nassau Expressway, a primary route to JFK Airport and used by many JFK Commercial supported businesses. The parking access IN/OUT of the proposed construction, will significantly add traffic directly onto 147 Avenue at GR Brewer, already heavily congested by existing traffic.

The Springfield Gardens DEP (SE552) Storm Sewer Construction Project, implemented more than a decade ago, supports one and two family homes regarding water and sewage. Implementation of this 40+ apartment facility will significantly add to water and sewage intake at this one location. Not to mention the shadowing of sunlight that will impact the existing homes on 147 Avenue due to its proposed height.

Approval of this rezoning application here will only open the flood gates for future rezoning applications forcing homeowners to abandon properties and the increase of rezoned properties across Springfield Gardens and beyond.

We, The Springfield Gardens and adjacent communities implore you to DENY rezoning requests for R6A/R6B/R5D and ACCEPT the communities request for an R5B implementation. Respectfully submitted Lonnie Glover.