

Mountain Brook of Madison Homeowners Association
Board of Directors
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I'm sure that most of you have heard about the attempt to de-annex the site of the planned commercial development north and west of Mountain Brook. The de-annexation does not include the Mountain Brook or Edgewater sub-divisions.

I think most of us would prefer that the development not take place. However, I think we'd all prefer to have the tax revenue from the development going to Madison rather than the county or the City of Huntsville.†We might expect to reap some benefit from tax revenues from Madison, none from Huntsville.

Therefore, I'm asking all of our home owners to take the time to email or send letters to our state senators and representatives to express disapproval and opposition to the de-annexation bill.

Secondly, the Madison City Council will consider the de-annexation in open session on Monday, March 26th at 6 p.m. I urge you to attend.

Austin Omlie and I, and a number of our residents, attended a council meeting on Thursday evening. We, and other Madison citizens, expressed our concerns and urged the council to continue their efforts to defeat the de-annexation.†The council asked for the assistance of all Madison residents. They ask everyone to contact our state senators and representatives to voice opposition to the de-annexation bill.

Traffic Light

The council then convened a meeting on capital improvements. The CIP document that has been posted to the city website for several months has been a flawed document because it included projects that had been approved and funded as well as projects that had been approved but not funded.†It turns out the traffic light on Zierdt Road was unfunded. So the traffic light projected date of March 2007 was an erroneous entry.

By the end of the CIP session, the Zierdt Road traffic light was on the list of projects the council may fund this year pending an estimate on the total cost. The budget vote on these proposed projects may take place on Monday, or it may be delayed by the de-annexation meeting.

The city council may also vote on a city-wide ordinance on how housing associations can limit solicitation.

I hope you'll join me, and other citizens of the City of Madison, in writing or emailing our state senators and representatives to oppose de-annexation. I urge you to attend the Monday night council meeting concerning this and other issues.

Contact information for all state senators and representatives, as well as a copy of the proposed No Solicitation ordinance will be posted to our website: <http://www.mtnbrookofmadison.com/>

Sincerely,

Jonathan W. Pierce

President