

October 6, 2005

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Agenda Items 35/36  
Tract 30

Re: c14-05-0106, Tract 30

Dear City Council,

Since moving into my house at 110 Red Bird Lane in 1998, I've watched Harper Construction Company (across the street from me) grow from a small contracting business into a large ongoing concern, with activity on the premise impacting me (and my neighbors) at every step of it's growth. Some of the problems I've had to deal with are:

- Semi-trucks parking in front of my house with their motor running, filling my 600 square foot house with carbon monoxide. Some mornings I'll wake up anxious with my heart racing, only to find a truck has been idling in front of my house waiting for someone to come accept delivery.
- Trucks have run over my mailbox 20 times. As a result I've missed checks, bills and business.
- Forklifts have disconnected my phone line twice, again causing much inconvenience and lost income do to lost jobs/missed calls.
- Noisy and bothersome activity, very disruptive and very early in the day:
  - Dumpster being picked up at 5:30-6:00 AM.
  - 3-4 semi-trucks daily being idled and unloaded 30 – 40 feet from my door.
  - Semi-trucks blocked me in on numerous occasions. I've missed work and appointments due to this.
  - Bobcat and other equipment being loaded on and off of trailers.
  - Work crew and trucks hanging out in front of my house (including litter).
- Mr. Harper filled in the drainage ditch on the front of his property (with no culvert) in such a way that all the rainwater from his property flows though my lot (sometimes up against my house) at a depth of 18" up to 3 feet wide, a veritable river.
- High wattage security lights shine right into my house.
- Until recently the building material was in piles up to the front of the property.
- Work crews "cat-calling" my daughter and ogling my female friends.