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To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: 2920 Expo Parkway Rezone Request
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Dear Members of the Missoula City Council,

I have lived in the Prospect Meadows neighborhood since 2004 and have to use Grand Creek Road and the associated I90 onramp every morning on my way to work. Up to about 2015, passing the lights at the onramp-offramp intersection was no problem, but then traffic began to back up and it started to take several cycles to get across the light. Fortunately, the problem was resolved with an additional lane for southbound traffic, which I appreciated. Recently, traffic is starting to back up again, presumably because of the significant increase in housing at 2920 Expo Parkway, at least during morning rush hour. The situation is made worse by traffic entering Grant Creek Road/Reserve Street from the Town Pump gas station, the Best Western hotel and Starbucks. As more units are built up creek and at 2920 Expo Parkway, the situation is bound to get worse – during the morning commute and certainly in any kind of emergency situation. Thus, unless the traffic situation at the light is not significantly improved or a second ramp onto I90 is added near there, I urge you to not approve this rezoning request. Currently, there is just insufficient capacity to move traffic.

I realize we need more living space in Missoula, but that should be built only where sufficient other infrastructure is available or created.

Kind regards,
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