

## **Zoning Request REZ-2021-08**

Thank you for this opportunity to express my views on this zoning request.

I have lived at 2621 hwy 84 west for 30 plus years as have many other residents in this area. There are retired, elderly, widowed individuals and new young families, all of who were more than happy to sign this petition to stop the rezoning of Oneal Properties from R21 to Commercial Highway. All properties from James Road to Rocky Ford Road are zoned R21 on both sides of the highway. Those traveling on hwy 84 see homes and premises well maintained with one major exception, "the eyesore on 84"!

Oneal properties flagrantly is in violation of R21 codes. Zoning this property to C-H will only promote this junk yard mentality. I have been told Oneal wants to sell used cars or open truck stop and the latest story a boat repair shop.

**A man should embrace not disgrace his neighbors**, but that is exactly what this property does. This "eyesore on 84" is an insult to adjacent properties and who travel Hwy 84. Dignataries such as the Governor, Senators and prominent individuals use this road as a main artery in South Georgia. People relocating to Lowndes County judge the community by the appearance of real estate.

DOT regulations state, Permits will not be issued for encroachments if any of the following conditions exist:

1. The activity adversely affects the safety, capacity or integrity of the State Highway System.
2. The activity compromises or jeopardizes the drainage system on the right of way.

Zoning this property commercial could possibly violate both conditions!

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