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## Fwd: Special Use Permit Application - 729 St. Christopher's Road - neighborhood concerns

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David,

As requested, I am forwarding my earlier email that identifies health concerns related to the Special Use project and sustained exposure to light and noise for families living adjacent to the fields that will be lighted. It appears when the SUP was sent to the City of Richmond departments for approval, they likely did not have all the facts when reviewing the SUP.

The subject request should be **denied** based on the SUP details obfuscating the negative health impact lighting fields and the associated noise will have on citizens. The neighborhood is already exposed to daily noise exceeding the 65dB to 75dB limits and extending this noise until 10 PM will further exacerbate exposure that can damage hearing and lead to hearing loss (see CDC) - audio files are attached.

With St. Christopher's (STC) being in a R-4 single-family zone, the school is surrounded by homes and mostly narrow single lane roads; and should not be compared to other City of Richmond high schools with lighted fields that are bordered by commercial property and main roads. STC can be compared to Trinity Episcopal School in the City, which was unsuccessful in getting their fields lighted.

Regards

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Subject: Special Use Permit Application - 729 St. Christopher's Road - neighborhood concerns

Hi Matthew,

**REQUEST:** please reply to confirm receipt of this email.

Attached is a letter that outlines concerns related to the Special Use Permit Application - 729 St. Christopher's Road.

Included are attachments that provide context for opposing the SUP:

- Google Search Results "Friday Night Football Fight"

- Teen Driving 10162021
- Richmond Light Pollution 10182021

Lastly, there are five Iphone audio files attached to get an idea of the close proximity of homes to the St. Christopher fields.

- Four audio files were taken from our family room in the back of the house. When listening, try to imagine the experience at 9PM and later. How high the tv volume will need to be to watch a movie? How will a parent get a toddler to sleep in a back bedroom? Despite the loudness, it's okay and acceptable... during the day.
- The Homecoming Saturday audio file is from festivities in the center of campus, recorded across the parking lot at 9:30PM. A similar distance of homes to the fields. It is likely that similar type events could be held on the fields, if the SUP is approved.

The invitation is still open for any of the City reviewing/approving agencies to visit the property during the last home game this **Saturday, October 23rd at 1PM.**

Thanks in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

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- letter.docx (36 KB)
  - Google Search - Friday Night Football Fight.docx (2 MB)
  - Teen Driving 10162021.docx (3 MB)
  - Richmond light pollution 10182021.docx (850 KB)
  - Horns.m4a (2 MB)
  - PA.m4a (244 KB)
  - Horns cheers.m4a (272 KB)
  - Wood berry Forest game sound.m4a (467 KB)
  - Homecoming Saturday.m4a (225 KB)