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Speaker's Name: (please indicate if more than one speaker): Kim Kraus

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Topic (please be specific): I represent over 2 dozen neighbors. We will request the city assist us in purchasing the 12.6 acres located at College Park & Ridgemont Rd. The owners are aware we want it maintained as green space and wish to buy it. We won't be able to raise that much money ourselves. They advised us on 5/8/15 they have 2 buyers interested in the land for development. Both are developers with projects underway on or near Chapel Hill. The County House Branch trail winds around the land and the County House Branch creek bisects it. There are issues with sewer overflows already "down line" from this property. There is heavy traffic and speeding on our neighborhood streets (our neighborhoods serve unfortunately as connections between Stadium, Fairview, Chapel Hill, and Forum). In anticipation of the trail extension up to Rollins Rd the land has a near-ready area for a few parking spots. Trail users currently park on Ridgemont Rd between 2 steep hills, between

2 fire hydrants, and near the intersection with College Park. It's a high traffic area and speeding is the norm. The land would add on the east/northeast to the existing "green belt" that extends to Twin Lakes and beyond. The nearest "parks" are Kiwanis Park to the north and Twin Lakes to the west. The overwhelming reasons to purchase the land would be existing infrastructure concerns, existing traffic concerns, and adding to the green space in this area. The land is one of the remaining parcels of land in this area that could be obtained and preserved. Thank you. Kim Kraus, coordinator of the County House Green Space Preservation Group, 2304 Ridgefield Rd

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