



# MECKLENBURG COUNTY

## Park and Recreation Department

### MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Zenia Duhaney, Associate Planner  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Department

**FROM:** Joyce Figueroa, Planner  
Capital Planning Services

**DATE:** April 15, 2016

**RE:** Rezoning Petition #2016-015 – E 7<sup>th</sup> Street @ N Caswell Road  
(PID#127-035-17, 127-035-18 and 127-035-09)

This is the second communication concerning this petition. We encourage staff and the Planning Commission to consider Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department's (MCPR) comments. We suggest that these comments be incorporated into the staff review notes and written into the Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis to the fullest extent possible. These steps should ensure MCPR's notes are conveyed to and incorporated by the petitioner during site plan revisions.

Parcel # 127-035-17, 127-035-18 and 127-035-09 are located within close proximity to Independence Neighborhood Park on Park Drive. There is expressed community concern over vehicular traffic movement along the existing 10' alley for the proposed vehicular access options and its potential impact to the significant number of non-vehicular users (walkers, bikers, strollers, kids, dogs, etc...) accessing Independence Park along Park Drive.

MCPR requests the petitioner considers the safety of non-vehicular users along the existing alley connecting to the park.

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