

Martin, Tom

From: george erbacher <ge3411@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 7:43 PM
To: Martin, Tom
Subject: resident use of commercial size smoker concerns
Attachments: front yard smoker pic 1.jpg; front yard smoker pic 2.jpg; back yard smoker.jpg

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Mr. Martin,

I am appealing to you to help my neighbors and I with the problem of having two commercial sized smokers operating in our neighborhood. The help we are seeking is to make unlawful the use of commercial sized smokers in our city neighborhoods. Amending the City Zoning ordinances to prohibit the use of these smokers would make this possible.

I live at 3411 Wilson avenue in Lynchburg. My neighbors at 3409 Wilson Avenue have two commercial sized smokers. One in the front yard and one in the back yard. The houses in my neighborhood are only 25 - 40 feet apart. When the smokers are operational they emit a great deal of smoke. They usually smoke for days at a time. Smoke enters every room in my house. Outside air quality is very unsafe at times. My girl friend has chronic migraines. Smoke in my house and yard makes the situation worse.

Currently we have a granddaughter staying with us who has asthma. One of my neighbors have children with asthma. Last summer he had to take all of them to the doctor when the neighborhood was full of smoke from the smoker.

One smoker is located about 5 feet from the front porch at 3409 Wilson. This smoker is commonly burned unattended and during over night hours. Its propane lines have come loose a number of times resulting in flames shooting 25 feet into the air. Sometimes they operate it while it is connect to their SUV presenting a gas explosion risk from the SUV gas tank.

When they use the smokers in the back yard smoke gets into my more so than when they operate the smokers in the front yard,

Is it possible to amend the Lynchburg City ordinances to prohibit the use of these commercial sized smokers in Lynchburg residential neighborhoods. To me these smokers are intended to be used at events like county fairs not in our neighborhoods.

I have included pictures of these smokers..

Thank you for your time.

George F Erbacher

Martin, Tom

From: Craig, Robin
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 2:52 PM
To: george erbacher
Cc: Martin, Tom; Glasgow, Victoria
Subject: RE: Address the planning commission

Thank you for your email. I believe you needed to contact me if you wanted to be placed on City Council's agenda. Mr. Martin and Ms. Glasgow can facilitate getting your request on to the Planning Commission agenda. If the commission chooses to initiate this resolution, it would go to a public hearing before them and eventually before City Council.

You will hear from Mr. Martin and Ms. Glasgow as it gets closer to June 12.

Thank you.

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From: george erbacher [<mailto:ge3411@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 2:17 PM
To: Craig, Robin
Subject: Address the planning commission

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I would like to address the Planning Commission to request an amendment prohibiting the use of commercial size smokers in residential neighborhoods and be placed you on the June 12, agenda. I sent Tom Martin an email regarding this issue. He replied to my email and copied you on the email.

Regards,

George Erbacher



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