

WARNING – Proposed zoning change in our area!

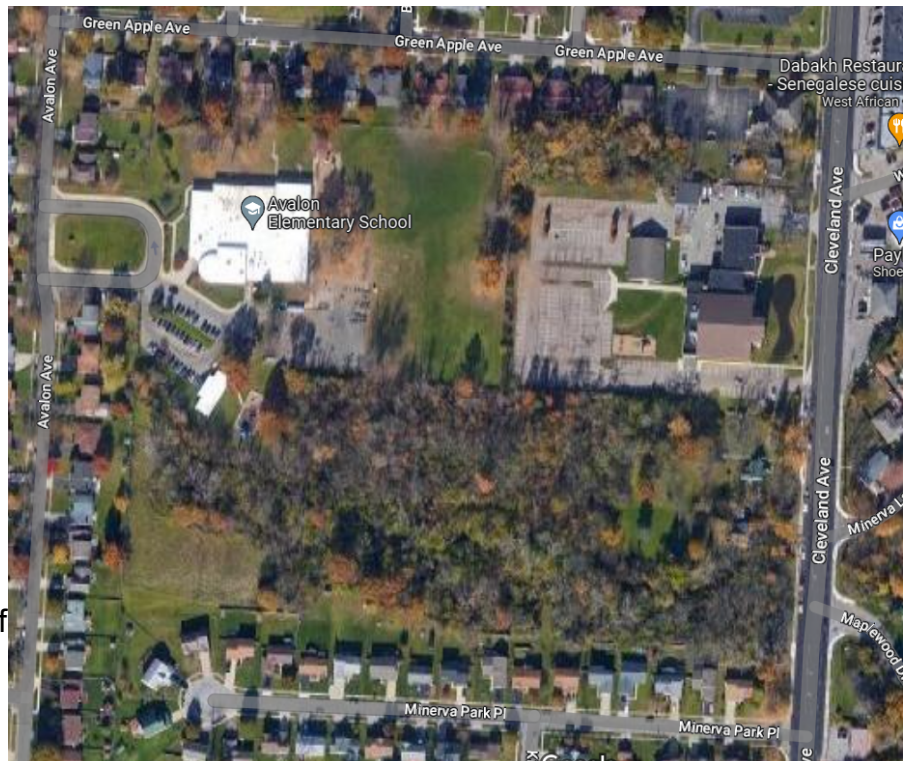
The City of Columbus has released a major proposal to change the zoning code in our neighborhood. While some parts of this change might be desirable, other parts will destroy the character of our neighborhood and devastate our property values. The worst part of this is the plan to rezone the area that has the Jesus Power Assembly of God Church at 5215 Cleveland Avenue and the wooded parcels and the stream called Kilbourne Run just south of the Church. You can see these proposals at https://zone-in-columbus.hub.arcgis.com/pages/current-proposal?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery. These parcels are proposed to be a new type of district called “Neighborhood Activity Center” (NAC) which will allow tall apartment buildings as close as ten feet from our property lines. Additionally, this proposed rezoning will allow the destruction of Kilbourne Run and the trees on this site in violation of the conservation easement Forest Park Civic Association and NCC negotiated for the creek in 1995.

What can you do? First, log into the city’s site and voice your opinion and disapproval of the rezoning for these parcels. To comment, click the “Map Survey” button and find the site on the map and tell the city you do not support this. **You must do this before the survey closes on October 24th.** Second, come to the Forest Park Civic Assoc. meeting on Tues., October 13th at the Epworth United Methodist Church 5100 Karl Rd. at 7:00 PM. **If we band together, we can stop this.**

If you want to see the parcels, go to the Franklin County Auditor’s search site at: <https://property.franklincountyauditor.com/web/search/commonsearch.aspx?mode=owner>

The parcels are: “Reserve A” 010-235619, and 010-117337, and 010-148540. These 3 parcels are North of Minerva Park Place, South of Green Apple, West of Cleveland, and East of Avalon Avenue.

Suggested talking points. 1. Regardless of the merits of ZoneIn, these wooded parcels with a stream that feeds into Alum Creek need to be preserved and protected. The main parcel holds the stream called Kilbourne Run and has a conservation easement that was negotiated as part of the rezoning for Minerva Park Place in 1995. The City should stand behind this conservation easement. The City’s Forestry Plan calls for the preserving and planting of new trees in Columbus. To destroy this natural wooded area goes against that plan. Other communities have rallied behind their unique natural areas with support from City Council. We deserve the same consideration.



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