

Cobb Venue Opposition

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Sun 5/15/2022 8:40 AM

To: Janet Hyde;

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Janet,

Please provide to committee members for the May 17th meeting. Thank you for your help.

Jr and paula Duncan

To Whom It May Concern:

We are JR and Paula Duncan, and we reside at 1570 Bonner Goldmine Rd Carrollton Ga. We are writing concerning the proposed event venue at Cobb Farms on Bonner Goldmine Rd. We are unable to attend the meeting in person because of a previous commitment.

As expressed in the last meeting, we oppose the approval of the Cobb's special permit request. We have met with the Cobb's and listened to their plans for monitoring the noise and traffic and feel there is no way for the venue not to be intrusive to our community as evidenced by the audio we played in the last meeting and also listening to concerns of other citizens in similar circumstances.

Our area is zoned agricultural and we see no reason for a special use permit to be granted. The Cobb's purchased their property and built their barn specifically for use as an event venue. By their own comments, it has never has been used for agricultural purposes. They operated for over a year without a permit or a license and now seek to change usage after the fact even though they've known from the beginning what their plans were for the barn. They have stated that their plans are to use the barn commercially and generate income from the venue.

As there are 19 other event venues in the county we don't see how adding one more can in anyway serve our community, especially one that doesn't satisfy the original intent of the special use ordinance.

For the reasons stated, as citizens of the community affected and the direct neighbors of the Cobb's we would like to express our opposition to the approval of the special use permit.

Thank you for your consideration.

JR and Paula Duncan

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Support of Cobb Farm Venue

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Tue 5/17/2022 2:26 PM

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Hello Janet,

I am writing to express my support of a friend and local entrepreneur, Elisabeth Cobb and her business, The Cobb Farm Venue.

As a registered voter in Carroll County, it was disheartening to learn that local restrictions are preventing Ms. Cobb from continuing to grow her business. My understanding is that a basic re-zoning request could be approved to allow her to continue to use the property as a venue for events.

While I don't know all of the intricacies of local government and zoning requirements, as a business professor, I do understand the basics of revenue generation for the government. Since the majority of funding is from various tax sources, it seems to me that it would be in our county's best interest to approve re-zoning for business use. Additionally, other local vendors benefit from this venue operating in our county (photographers, caterers, etc).

I appreciate your time and consideration of this request.

Melanie Hildebrandt

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Conditional Permit for Elizabeth Cobb - The Cobb Farm

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Sara Long <saralong82@gmail.com>

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Good morning commissioners:

My name is Sara Long, address is 1745 Bankhead Hwy Lot 79, Carrollton, GA, 30116.

I would like to speak on Elizabeth Cobb's behalf and for her venue. I will not be able to attend tonight due to prior engagements at work.

Elizabeth is a woman of her community, that is one of many reasons she would love to see this venue come to life, but she also supports other community services. As was mentioned in the last meeting, she is a Den mother for a girl scout troop, what she does for these young ladies is amazing and the venue provides a place for some of these wonderful activities.

For example, a couple years ago before Covid hit both of our moms were going through breast cancer treatments, and my dad was going through lung cancer treatment as well. The cancer treatment centers offer little goodie bags for their patients when they are available, all of these items or bags or donated from individuals. Elizabeth worked with her girl scout troop to fundraise for these items, small toys to help with dexterity, small snacks, letters of encouragement, cards and other various items. She was able to donate over 100 goodie bags to both Tanner treatment facilities in Carrollton for the cancer patients.

I know if Elizabeth was granted the conditional use, she would be able to house and accommodate more community projects, just as she did that one.

I also know if there are rules or stipulations to the conditional use, Elizabeth will uphold those rules, her heart is pure and she truly does just want to spread joy and happiness for others.

I appreciate the time you take to read this email, and thank you for all the work you do for Carroll County, I am very pleased to call Carroll County my home.

Thank you
Sara Long
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The Cobb Farm Venue

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Good afternoon -

I hope that this email finds you well. I wanted to reach out to you regarding the Cobb Farm Venue.

This venue is a small business and small businesses are vital to our community. The owners would like to keep their land together and intend to allow this space to be shared with others.

This venue is for profit, however, since day one they have given back to adolescents in the community by opening it up to local Girl Scout Troops. This organization has taken several classes at the venue, learned fundamental skill and has been celebrated there.

Please understand that their success is only possible with the approval of county commissioners.

If you have additional questions or need anything else from me in support of their venue, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for all that you do in Carroll County.

- Samantha Rosado

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Support for Cobb Farm Venue

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Margot Washington <m.margot@charter.net>

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Mon 5/16/2022 11:48 AM

To: Tommy Lee; Montrell McClendon; George Chambers; Ernie Reynolds; Clint Chance; Janet Hyde;

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Good afternoon, I support The Cobb Farm Venue and look forward to our residents, myself included, being able to have this venue available for celebrations for years to come.

Many thanks, Margot Washington

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