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Subject:	Please Support Resolution 230418 and Oppose the Landfill at 150 and Peterson Road
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Dear City Planning Commission,

We have heard about a proposed landfill in the southern part of Kansas City, MO. Words cannot express my level of opposition to this proposed landfill. I am asking you to please support resolution 230418 and oppose the proposed landfill.

My husband and I decided to purchase a small acreage on Peterson Road just north of 150 highway because of the country atmosphere, fresh air, peace and quiet and beautiful views right inside the Kansas City limits. Before purchasing the property we studied the KCMO zoning laws in this area and we reviewed the Longview Lake Land Use Plan neither of which indicated that a landfill would be a use considered appropriate for this area. The plan and zoning indicated that the residential character of the existing area would be maintained or upgraded, not made uninhabited by a landfill.

Others who have homes, schools, businesses, and churches did the same research before deciding to locate in this area. A landfill in this area would be changing the area rules and plans that have been in place for decades.

We spent hundreds of thousands of dollars and countless hours building our custom dream home. We were owner builders and did much of the construction work ourselves so we could make our home exactly what we wanted. He and I love spending time outdoors and enjoying our lovely property. Over the last 25 years we have enjoyed living and investing in this area. We continue to improve our home by making and installing custom cabinetry, stained glass, landscaping, solar panels, decks, etc.

I worked all of my life to have a place like this to call home and it cannot be replaced for any amount of money. I had hoped to spend the rest of my life here and have my ashes scattered over the back yard.

I was devastated to hear that a landfill may go in just .5 miles from my home. I cannot live near a landfill. Many of us who live in this community will be forced to sell our homes because a landfill will make our homes and neighborhoods uninhabitable. Because there will be no escaping the constant stench, noise from trucks and equipment, air and water pollution, and infrastructure destruction many will put their homes on the market forcing home prices to plummet. This will make our homes worthless because no one else will choose to live next to a landfill. Those who do purchase homes after the values plummet will not be able to afford the upkeep and the area will become blighted and abandoned.

I have lived in Kansas City for the majority of my life and have always been proud of our city. Please help the residents of south Kansas City and neighboring communities protect their dream homes, churches, schools, businesses and Longview Lake by supporting resolution 230418 and opposing this landfill.

Sincerely,

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