

# Petition

## To the City Council of Raleigh

### Restore Raleigh's Zoning Process; Repeal the Missing Middle

Mayor Mary-Ann Baldwin and the city council have legislated radical changes in the city's zoning regulations. These changes to the Uniform Development Ordinance ("UDO") are known as the "Missing Middle," which refers to supposedly "missing" styles of housing (duplexes, townhouses, condominiums, etc.) that are in the "middle" of the housing spectrum between single-family homes and mid-rise apartment buildings.

These UDO changes allow dramatically denser development throughout the city, including townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, quadruplexes, and apartment buildings.

For example, at 908 Williamson Drive, a developer proposes to build 17 townhouses at a cost of about \$2 million apiece. The lot is zoned R-4, formerly 4 single-family dwellings per acre. "Missing Middle" UDO changes make these townhouses possible.

The city has abolished previous requirements for public notice, hearing, and appeals to the process. Developers are not required to seek public approval.

We support sensible development, including affordable housing where feasible, according to previous zoning definitions.

We hold **Mayor Mary-Ann Baldwin, and current city council members Nicole Stewart, Patrick Buffkin, Jonathan Melton, Corey Branch, Stormie Forte, and David Knight** responsible for these changes.

We are signing this petition to demand that the Raleigh City Council:

**RESTORE RALEIGH'S ZONING PROCESS** including public notice, hearings, and the appeal process before the City Council.

**REPEAL THE MISSING MIDDLE.** Develop 908 Williamson Drive and similar properties under the former R-4 definitions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

I vote in Raleigh City elections:     Yes     No

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