



People Looking After Neighborhoods, Inc.

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PLAN Board of Directors, 2012

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Accomplishments:

West Cobb is experiencing pressure to grow from both commercial and residential sectors. As a result, PLAN has been working diligently for appropriate growth and to improve the architectural and landscaping standards for our area. Listed below is a sampling of the numerous accomplishments PLAN has achieved since being incorporated in May of 1997:

- **Defeated Home Depot's first two attempts at locating in residentially-zoned property.** Once Home Depot chose a commercially-zoned site, PLAN worked extensively with them to obtain a more architecturally-pleasing store and with extensive landscaped area to buffer loading dock which faced Dallas Hwy.
- Convinced **Target** to construct a more residentially-appealing structure than their standard split-face block that had been approved by the

county commissioners. (Dallas Hwy & Barrett Pkwy).

- Defeated a **Super Wal-Mart** and shopping center to be located across from Village Green center (The store square footage was too large for a NAC).

- Defeated a **Kohl's** shopping center to be located across from Village Green center (the store square footage was too large for a NAC).

- **The Avenue at West Cobb** was the result from defeating the Super Wal-Mart & Kohls's store. We'd been working hard to obtain high-quality retail in the commercial center. 14 acres were left as a buffer between The Avenue and the residential area to the south.

- Helped defeat major shopping center proposed for *outside* commercial node at Macland and Villa Rica Roads. This center was inappropriate in size, density and location.

- Defeated a *mega-carwash* proposal to be located at the dangerous intersection of Barrett Pkwy and Villa Rica Way on property that is to be used for office.

- **The Pointe at West Cobb** (corner of Dallas Hwy and Barrett Pkwy) PLAN worked with the developer to build an upscale retail center for the community.

- Worked with developers at **Village Green NAC** (Neighborhood Activity Center) for residential-friendly buildings, high-quality retail and low-rise offices.
- Defeated cell towers at Macland Road, W. Sandtown Roads, Dallas Hwy and Due West Roads, as well as at other locations.

- Worked with developer of Towne Square at Due West and Kennesaw Due West Roads for more residential-friendly style.

Special Points of Interest:

- Worked with the community and Cobb County Commissioners for the acquisition of the Kolb Farm land.
- Founding member of a county-wide civic organization of HOA groups dedicated to the upholding of the county's ordinances and land use plan. Work with the organization to help in rewriting and promoting of good safeguards in the ordinances.

Other Accomplishments:

- ✓ Worked with developer to place suburban condos at commercially zoned property on Dallas Hwy & Bob Cox Rd. to protect adjacent homes from commercial development.
- ✓ Worked with developer to place suburban condos on commercially zoned property at Dallas Hwy next to Boots Ward Park as residential, a better transition between office and the park than a commercial strip center.

Mission Statement

PLAN recognizes that development of properties in the West Cobb County area is inevitable. Therefore, People Looking After Neighborhoods, Inc. shall pursue a cooperative planning effort to promote the quality and integrity of community development while maintaining the safety and aesthetic appearance of the surrounding areas.



If your goal is the same as ours, to keep our community a quality one, please join our organization and become a member by contacting us at PLANNeighborhoods@live.com.