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Dear Mayor Chadwick, and City Council,

One of the reasons we moved our family to Star, Idaho was to get away from the craziness of big city life. Star was appealing due to the smaller community and the fact that there was a little more “elbow room” out this way. The charm of the smaller town, slower pace and close-knit community was another factor. We love Star and hope to spend the rest of our lives here.

We understand that progress is something you cannot stop, but we urge you and the City Council to support responsible growth. That said, how can you and your colleagues agree that Willowbrook is considered responsible growth and/or beneficial to the community of Star based on the current proposal?

How can anyone deny that building that many homes along with a Golf Course in just phase one alone wouldn't cause a strain on so many levels to the community? There is great concern over water or lack of to sustain such a large development, and then of course there is the issue of traffic. Why are you and the City Council not requiring that the builder pay for and improve surrounding infrastructure before even one house is built? The burden that will be placed on the residents of the surrounding development due to traffic and cost alone is insurmountable.

Please we urge you to deny such a large development and tell the developer “NO”. We hope you will reconsider allowing this development to move forward under its current proposed plan. When is enough, enough? Why is so much development being allowed to proceed when the current infrastructure cannot even handle or sustain the growth we have here in Star now? Star is growing and thriving, and we understand that means more tax revenue and a more secure future for Star. However, there is a fine line between growth and long-term irreversible damage to such a unique and special place that shouldn't be overlooked.

Thank you for your time,

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