

Letters To The Editor

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Mayor deceives himself

I read in The Cary News that Cary Mayor Ernie McAlister had a State of the Town address. He stated that he would like to hear from us, and so I'd like to comment specifically about this portion of his address: "2005 also showed that we're back to having positive and effective relationships with our neighbors, and together, we're developing and implementing polices and plans that are in every community's best interest"

I would state for the record that he deceives himself and the community he serves if he believes the sewage-treatment plant dumped on New Hill does anything positive for my community (New Hill) or our relationship with Cary. If Cary were treated this way by a larger municipality, Cary would be up in arms.

Here is my proclamation for the mayor of Cary:

WHEREAS the mayor of Cary says he acts in the best interest of "every community's best interest," and

WHEREAS the mayor of Cary says he is having "positive and effective relationships" with Cary's neighbors,

THEREFORE, the Western Wake Partners led by Cary in order to live up to the standards outlined above should cease and desist with the plan to build a sewage-treatment plant in a community which:

- Never asked for the facility.
- Never agreed to its placement in our downtown.
- Cannot hook up to the facility unless we are annexed into a town that is imposing this upon us.
- Had this land condemned by the ones who wish to build "positive relationships."

All of this when:

- A more suitable site was removed from the table late in the process because of arbitrary boundaries (in particular one site on Progress Energy land was eliminated because the

acreage was too small when there was nothing around that site for a quarter mile in every direction).

- Suitable sites were never considered.
- The selection criteria was never agreed to by the partners (in any written document) and was somewhat arbitrary in weighting.
- The New Hill site was selected because it involved only a single deed for the lot of land rather than considering how many homeowners immediately surrounding this land would be impacted by the facility (and not offered a buy out).

The mayor of Cary is not being truthful with the citizens he serves when he squashes the rights of those who have no voice in re-electing him. The folks of Cary deserve to know what is really going on behind the nice words the mayor speaks.

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