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Talk about it: Proposed Keswick expansion in Roland Park

What do you think about Keswick's plans to expand into the Baltimore Country Club's land in Roland Park?

There are many communities in Baltimore that would be much better served with a \$190 million investment. Where forlorn buildings that serve no purpose other than as a pigeons roost could be replaced with whatever Keswick wants to build.

*Submitted by TH in RP
9:59 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Since the lion's share of the revenue for the transaction will go to a county based organization to fund their county activities for county residents, it is clearly not a boon for the city. You can't get back the green space you loose to something like this. Ever.

*Submitted by TH in RP
9:59 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Since there are already 800 eldercare beds in Roland Park, this is clearly not a case of RP residents not wanting homes for the elderly in their neighborhood.

*Submitted by TH in RP
9:58 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Keswick is non-profit. It is possible that the tax revenue will decrease. NIMBY? Isn't there a reason that we have zoning?

*Submitted by lorraine
9:02 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

BCC wants to change the zoning and sell to Keswick because higher density zoning means they can get a higher price for the land. \$12.5 million for land accessed and taxed at \$2.0 million. No wonder the want to help the elderly.

*Submitted by JP in RP
8:36 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

BCC should negotate with the residents of RP to purchase the land. Why not give the community a chance to preserve green space? Is the \$ Roland Park offering not good enough for BCC? BTW, 75% of BCC members DON'T live and pay taxes in Baltimore city

*Submitted by John
8:23 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Smart growth would be preserving green space, allowing the community to buy the property (as Roland Park residents have offered to do) and

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Roland Park residents have offered to do) and allowing Keswick to redevelop some of the 1,000 acres of industrial brownfields in Baltimore.

*Submitted by Dave
8:18 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Smart growth would be preserving green space, allowing the community to buy the property (as Roland Park residents have offered to do) and allowing Keswick to redevelop some of the 1,000 acres of industrial brownfields in Baltimore.

*Submitted by Dave
7:52 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

Where do Roland Parkers get the idea that the BCC is theirs to use publicly...some-thing is wrong with this picture.

*Submitted by Nancy
4:53 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

This is a clear example of smart growth, isn't that what we all want? And the City does need more senior housing, or else lose even more tax revenue to the counties. I say, better to build here than buldoze over yet another farm somewhere else.

*Submitted by Baltimoremom
3:44 PM EDT, Jul 9, 2008*

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