

**Brad Townsend**

**From:** Marlee Press  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 01, 2010 3:05 PM  
**To:** Brad Townsend; Jackie Deibel  
**Subject:** FW: Andretti outdoor gokart track

Wanted to send this one to you since there was a mention of what was approved in the original request.

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**From:** Jim Gunkel [mailto:jcgunkel@bellsouth.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 01, 2010 2:32 PM  
**To:** Becky Wynn; Betty Price; Jerry Orlans; Kent Igleheart; Nancy Diamond; Rick Dippolito  
**Cc:** Mayor Wood  
**Subject:** Fw: Andretti outdoor gokart track

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**From:** Jim Gunkel  
**To:** Rick Dippolito  
**Cc:** mayorwood@roswellgov.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 30, 2010 3:36 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Andretti outdoor gokart track

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**From:** Jim Gunkel  
**To:** jan.jones@house.ga.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 30, 2010 10:15 AM  
**Subject:** Andretti outdoor gokart track

Dear City Council members: **The Andretti Group** wants to build an outdoor GoKart track at the above location. They have done the noise testing and came in under the limit of noise allowed in Roswell. These type of venues have always been built far from residential and business locations. What's next, a permanent carnival? The initial request has been passed by the planning commission and has been bumped up to the Roswell City Council for evaluation and decision on 12/13/2010. Andretti is requesting to stay open until 1:00 P.M. on Fridays and Saturdays. Don't believe this request was in the original zoning request when there indoor track was approved. The association was able, over a two day period, to contact 80 of our homeowners of which 71 signed a petition asking that this doesn't happen. Also numerous other homeowner association did the same and all petitions were given to the planning commission.

The question, to my mind, is where is it that Roswell wants to take this city. It can't be about a quick dash for the small amount of immediate fees or tax revenue that this venture will generate. Why allow this venture next to other businesses, a 1/2 block from churches and an expensive town home development, and a block or so from a senior living complex. Create traffic congestion! Perhaps my neighbor summed it up best, "well there goes another nail in the coffin of that wonderful section of Hwy., 6 or 7 blocks south and north of the intersection of Alpharetta highway and Holcomb Bridge Rd.", decaying shopping centers, empty store fronts, pawn store and title pawn shops, an adult store, and locations for hiring day labor. It may or may not bring impact to falling home market values. It can't help! Could you please look into this and lend the weight of your office into getting resolution of this issue. I am pro business but always thought the weight of the homeowners in the area carried more impact than willy nilly, unplanned expansion for a possible quick buck.

Respectively yours,  
 James Gunkel  
 President  
 Whitehall Homeowners Association

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