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El Paso County Commissioners:

I am writing this in opposition to Danny Mientka (Equity Holdings) development plan of Rock Creek Mesa. I find it very interesting that when I purchased my property from Equity Holdings over twenty-five years ago that I was told I had to purchase a minimum of two lots in order to build. When I made the decision to build, I was required to purchase two additional lots in order to proceed. The development plan that Danny Mientka is proposing is not in accordance with the requirements that all other area residences have had to follow. When will the politicians of Colorado Springs and EL Paso County start looking out for the average citizen? Why is special treatment given to developers? I am one of several home owners that are without water. Even so I am opposed to the development plan. The lot size for the proposed housing is simply too small and does not meet the current zoning for the area. Giving Mientka special consideration, without regard for the current residents simply because he has money is unjust. If approved there is nothing to prevent Mientka from annexing existing homes into his created district. The citizens of Rock Creek Mesa are not well to do and many would lose their homes with increase in property tax. The growth of Colorado Springs and neighboring areas has been poorly planned, simply giving developers what they want. Colorado used to offer quality of life, now the well to do are the only ones with a voice and are able to live comfortably. The native Coloradoan is a vanishing breed, leaving to find better opportunity and quality of life elsewhere.

Sincerely.

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