

# The Rumor Mill Vol. 1

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## What is the Rumor Mill?

In an effort to enhance communication between the City of Elgin and our citizens, from time to time, we will update with topics that will hopefully clarify and address some of the more well-known rumors that may be out in our community.



### Rumor of the Day: Apartment complex at Saratoga Farms

**“The City wants to rezone the land behind Wal-Mart and supports the building of a 311-unit apartment complex for Section 8 housing.”**

Completely false; The Mayor and City Council have never stated their support for any project on this land – let alone “an apartment complex”. Both the City Manager, and a majority of the Planning Commission, have stated their on-the-record opposition to the previously proposed zoning change.

The owners of the land in question did indeed recently submit a request for a zoning change on the land from Single-Family to Multi-Family zoning – as is their right under city code and state law. The City has a legal obligation to allow any property owner to have such a request be formally considered, including a Public Hearing before both the Planning Commission and City

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Council – which was what happened. However, before the City Council had an opportunity to address the issue, the owners decided to withdraw the request.

Secondly, there has never been a project proposed for this site and submitted to the City for its consideration. While general ideas may have been discussed and the owner may have plans of their own, there is no pending project. In particular, no submittal of a “311-unit apartment complex for Section 8 housing” has ever been made to the City. There is no project being considered by the City for this property at this time.

Have you heard a rumor you would like the city to address? If so, contact City Secretary Jennifer Stubbs at [jstubbs@ci.elgin.tx.us](mailto:jstubbs@ci.elgin.tx.us).

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