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## News Release

### Commissioners Refuse Request for Car Care Center

**January 18, 2012, Monroe, NC** – The Union County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday unanimously denied a text amendment that would have allowed a car care center at a commercial property at the intersection of Rea and Tom Short roads.

David Miller of Raley Miller Properties presented the text amendment to the Union County Planning Board on Nov. 1, 2011. The proposed text amendment would require a business to receive a Special Use Permit from Union County in order to perform minor automobile service at a location that doesn't sell vehicular fuel in a B-2 zoning district. It would also allow businesses to sell vehicular fuel without providing minor automobile service. Presently, minor automobile service is not allowed in B-2 zoning, unless the location also sells vehicular fuel.

The Planning Board voted 5 to 1 in favor of the proposed text amendment. At its Dec. 5 meeting, the board of commissioners called for a public hearing to receive public comments and information concerning the proposed text amendment, and the public hearing was held on Jan. 3. The petitioner, David Miller, presented the proposed text amendment, and 11 citizens spoke in opposition to the proposed text amendment.

Several commissioners commented that they had never received as many emails about an issue as they had for this proposed text amendment.

“The people have made their voices very clear, they don't want this particular use,” said Commissioner Jonathan Thomas. “I've heard their voices and tonight I will not support the text amendment.”

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