

## Colleen Carroll

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**To:** Colleen Carroll  
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Council Members: I live at 7107 Hill Road in a house purchased by my parents, Mr. & Mrs. M. Elwood Davis in 1943. The house has remained in our family ever since. When we moved here, downtown was 5 miles away and Hill Road was gravel. Now Boise has grown to surround us on three sides and wants to force us to become part of the city. From what I can tell, we gain no benefits by doing so, but accrue substantial increases in taxes.

We are on the edge of the city and as Ada County residents have managed with our neighbors to continue a more or less rural atmosphere on our part of Hill Road. There are lots of old growth trees and properties are generally small acreages. In spite of increased traffic, it is still a pleasant drive and a distinctly different atmosphere than on State Street, one mile away. If you incorporate our acreages into the city it will open the door to "developers" and our rural atmosphere will soon be replaced with duplexes, fourplexes, apartments, and perhaps commercial enterprises. Is this really what you want for one of the last parts of Boise that retains its older atmosphere? Is the additional revenue you will get all you care about? If that is so, I feel very sad about the future of this city. None of my neighbors want to be annexed into the city. One is in his 90s and lives on a fixed income. The additional taxes he will have to pay if his property is annexed may force him to sell his home. Is this what you want? These are just a few properties on the edge of town. Have a heart and leave us alone.

Sincerely, Norman Davis