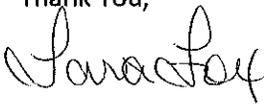


My husband and I bought this parcel of land in December, 2000. The land was listed with a local realty co. and was being sold by 2 individuals. The land was listed on the Catawba Co. gis as "residential" and the realty company assured us we could build a single family home on the land. We had the land perked for a 4 bedroom single family home. The land was on a dead end, dirt road (at the time) with only single family homes in the surrounding area. The realtor told us the previous owners were selling the land because they had wished to build an apartment complex on the land but because of the area it was in, they were not able to get the required permits or approval to build the complex. No one said anything at anytime about the land being zoned commercial or multifamily or whatever it was. It was listed as simply "residential", sold by a realty company to us knowing we were intending to build a single family home, and the papers at closing said "residential".

For various personal reasons, we never did build a home on the land. Once the decision was made to not build, we chose to keep the land and sell it at the time we would need college tuition money. My husband passed away unexpectedly several months ago. Finding myself in a position to now need to sell the land, I listed it with a realty company. Upon research by the realty co., I am informed that the gis listing on our land is now commercial. I was stunned to hear this, needless to say. I am not sure how this land was able to be listed as plain "residential", sold to us under such terms, with everyone involved...realty co., sellers, lawyer at closing, etc. knowing we were intending to use this land to build a single family home.

Now I find myself in the position of owning a piece of property that is on a dead end street with only single family homes anywhere around and being unable to sell it for reasons totally out of my control. I cannot imagine that anyone would ever want this land for anything other than a single home. I have a buyer anxious to buy the land to build a single family home, but cannot sell it as such. This whole ordeal is very upsetting to me on top of dealing with the death of a spouse. I am asking that you please approve this land for rezoning to single family residential, as that is what is obviously logical for this property.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara Fox".

Tara Fox