

From: Ruth Kivisto [mailto:kivistoruth@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2015 10:55 PM
To: Council
Cc: Jeff Cox
Subject: against rezoning of 2421 London Road - petition attached

Dear Councilors:

The issue of rezoning the property at 2421 London Road from R-1 to MU-N is before you at the Monday, September 14th meeting (agenda item #39 as of Sunday evening, 09/13). The neighborhood that this affects is speaking loud and clear in opposition to the rezoning of this property. We have been out talking with residents in our neighborhood this weekend; and it is clear to say that there is no support for rezoning. Each has stated their reasons during our conversations.

We have a petition against the rezoning with a significant number of signatures (44). We have attached what we have so far.

Of the 31 properties within 350 feet of 2421 London Road that should have received formal notification about the rezoning, 24 properties are represented on the petition against rezoning. There are yet a few more of the properties for us to reach at home, so there will likely be additions to the petition. Also sharing their voice on the petition are many of the properties that are just beyond the 350-foot distance from the proposed rezoning site of 2421 London Road.

Some of the questions and the noted concerns from the residents of this neighborhood are:

- What details do you (City Councilors) know about the business being proposed for the site other than it being a mental health facility? There are too many unanswered questions as to how this business will function in our neighborhood. It is imperative that you find out details as to what the business is and to how it affects our neighborhood.
- Why would the city vote to rezone the property in question when the residents are clearly in opposition to the rezoning? What is in it for the city?
- Of all the people we visited with, no one who lives in the neighborhood has been contacted by city councilors, despite our councilor having replied by email to a few of us that he has “spoken with several neighbors and visited the neighborhood”. Please review

the attached petition as representing the conversations of the residents in this neighborhood and their strong opposition to the rezoning.

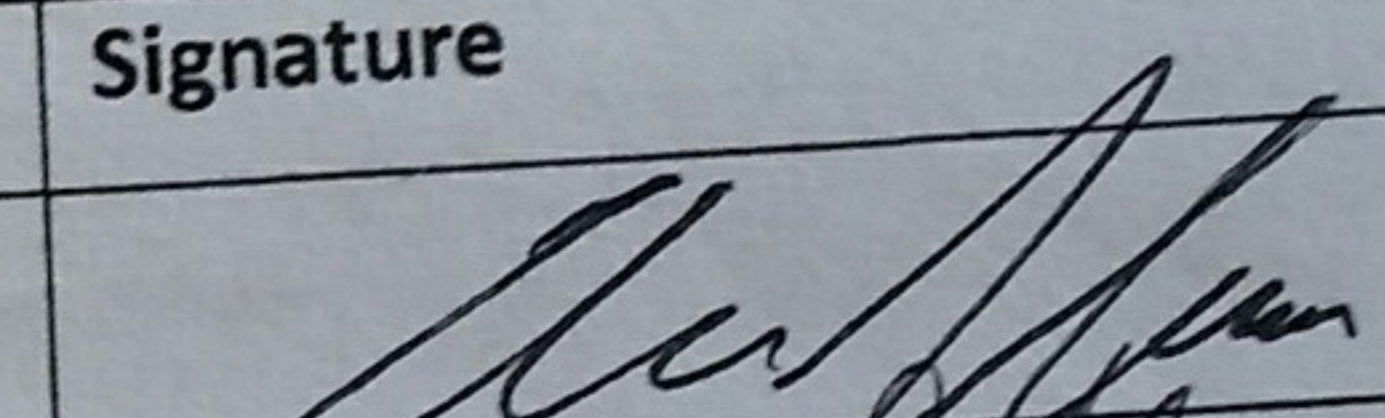
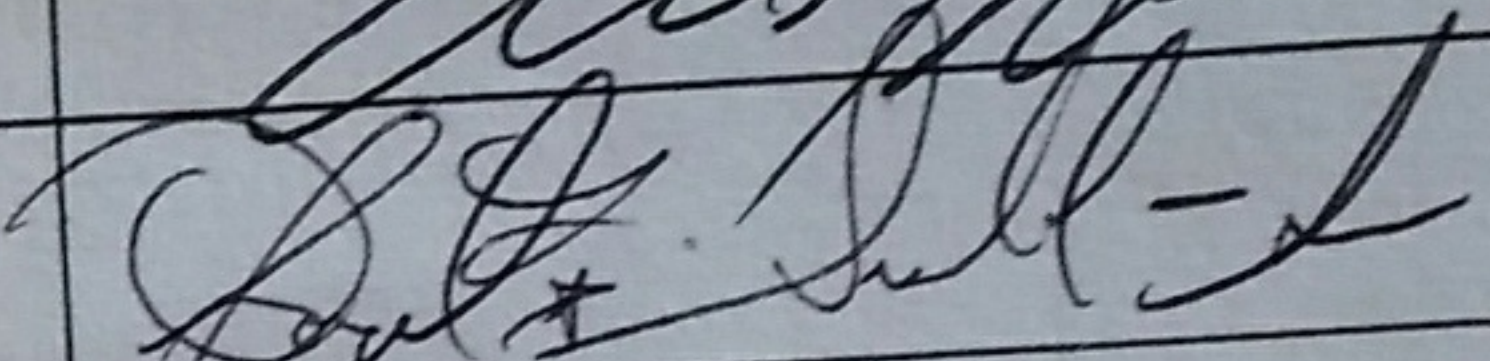
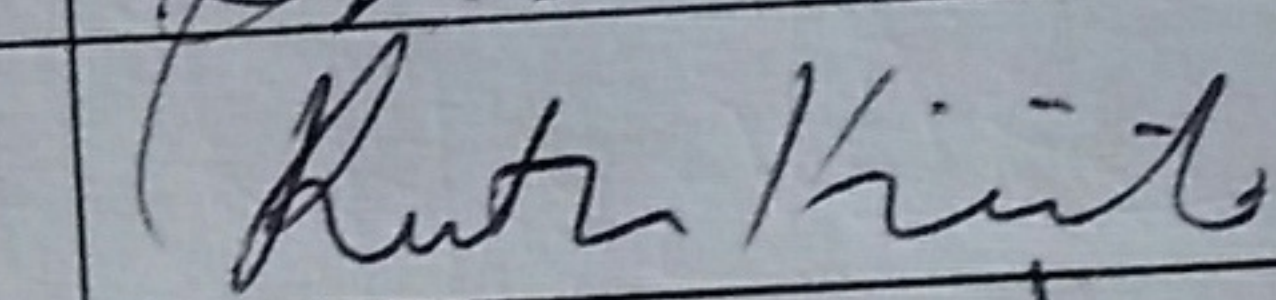
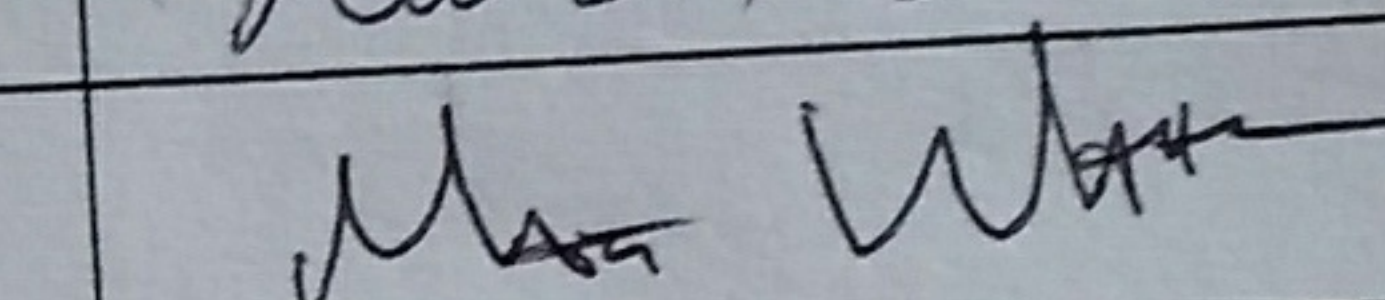
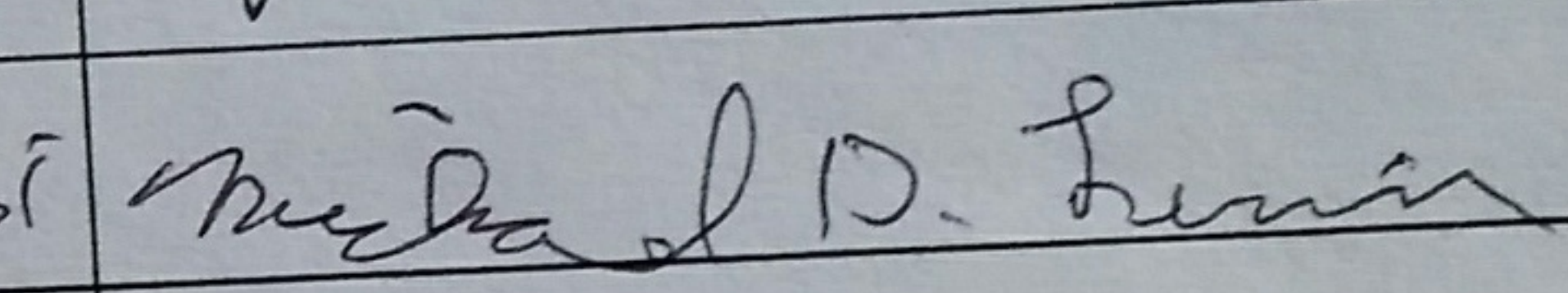
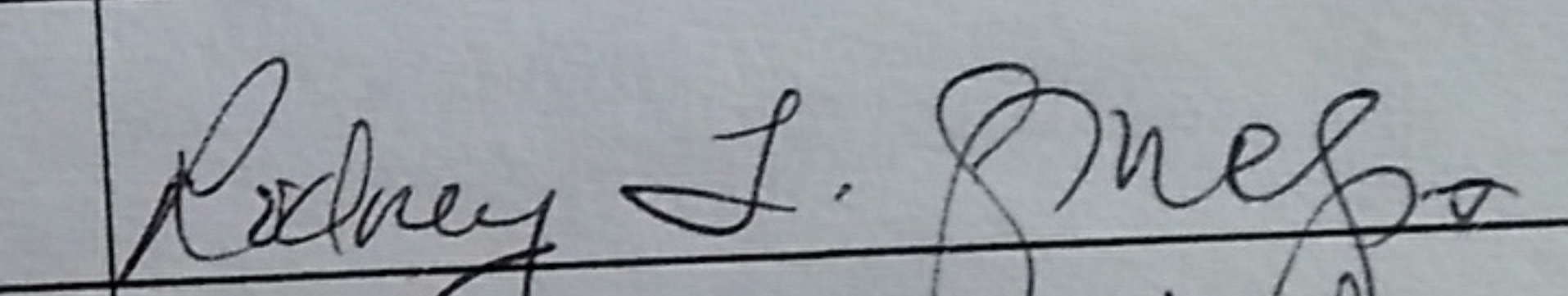
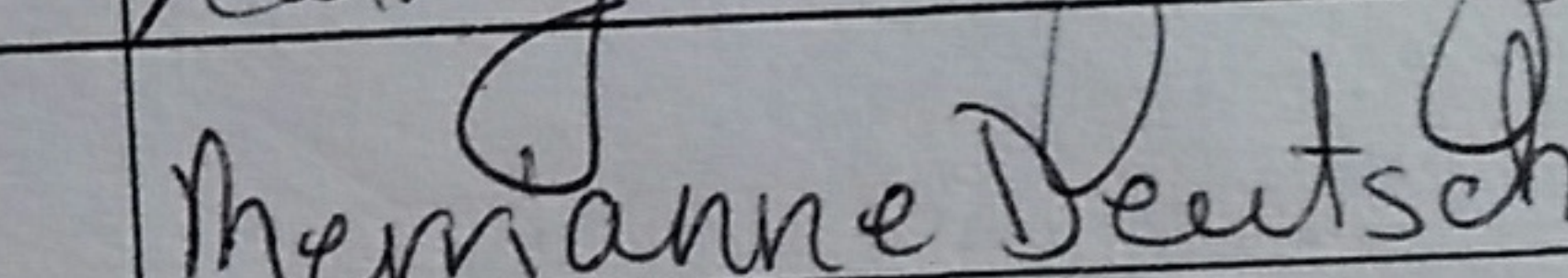
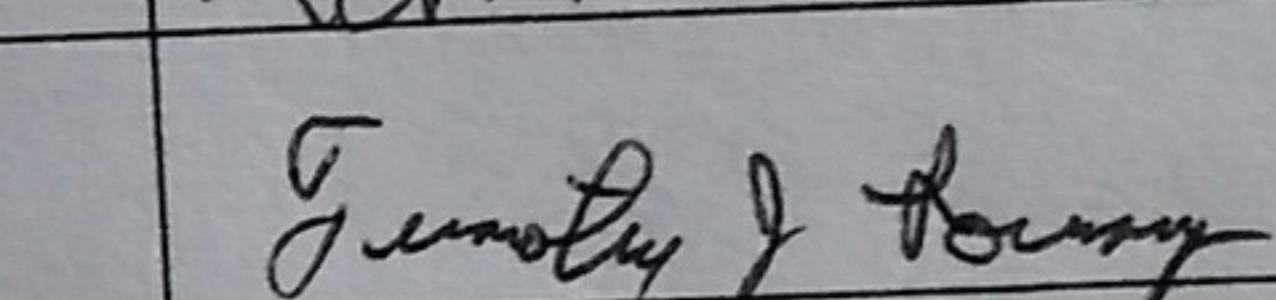
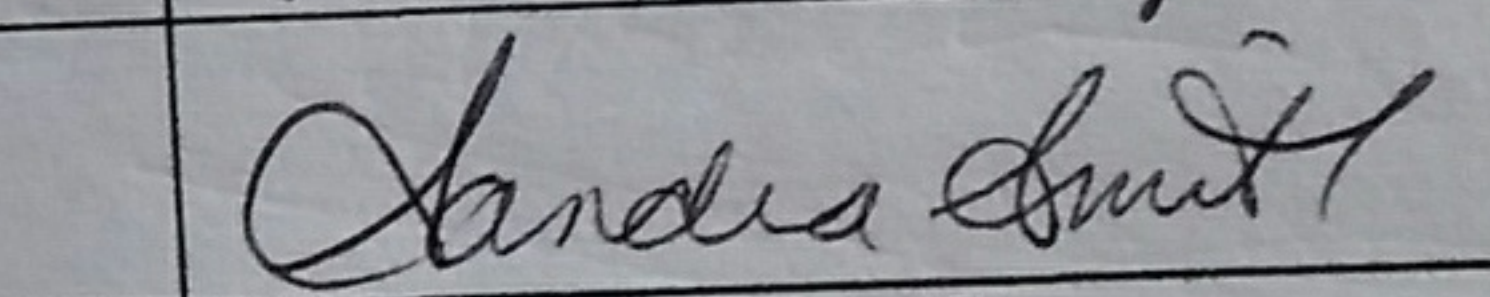
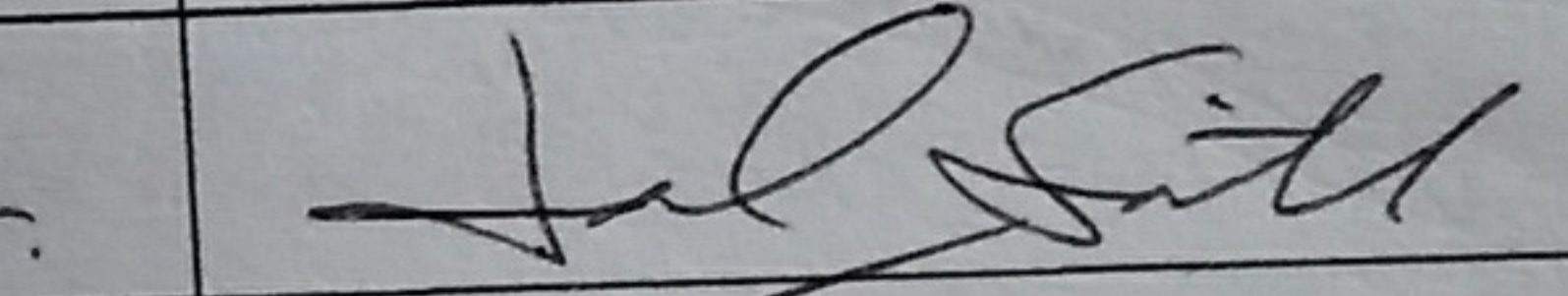
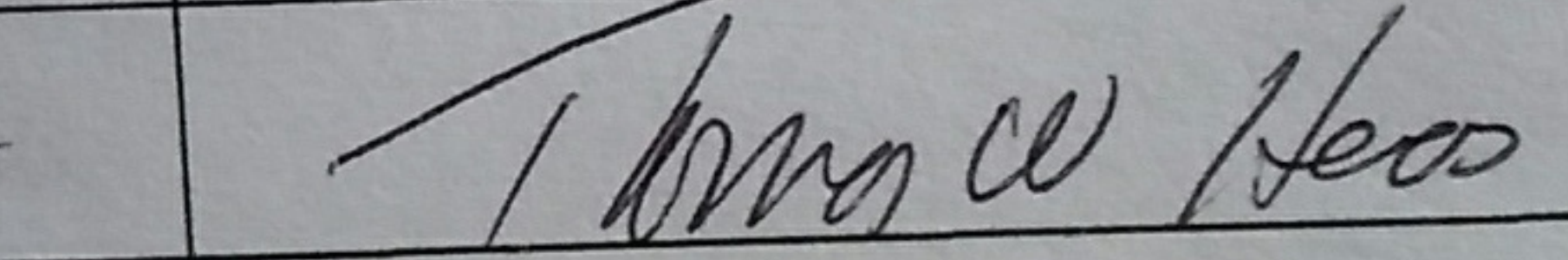
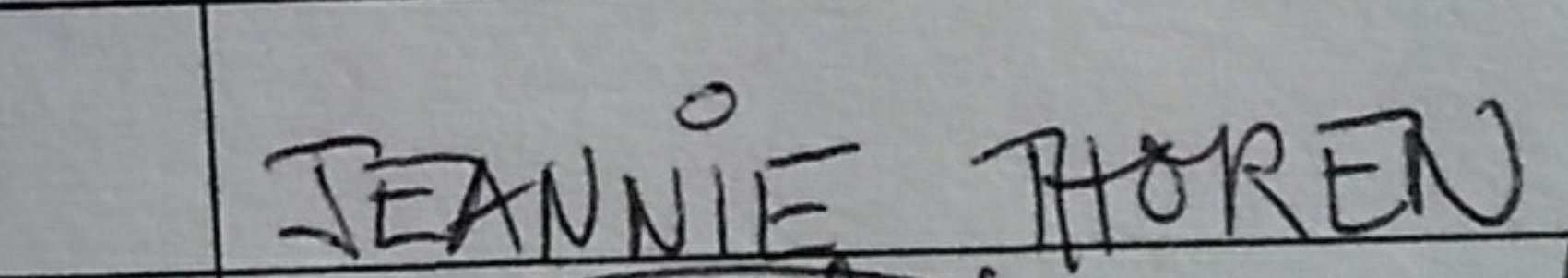
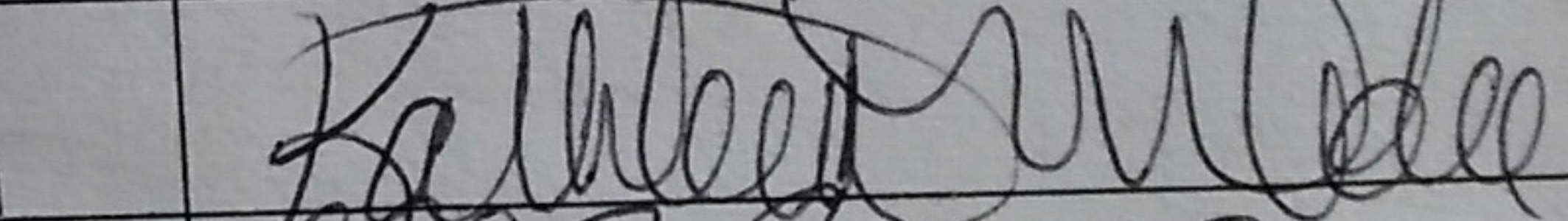
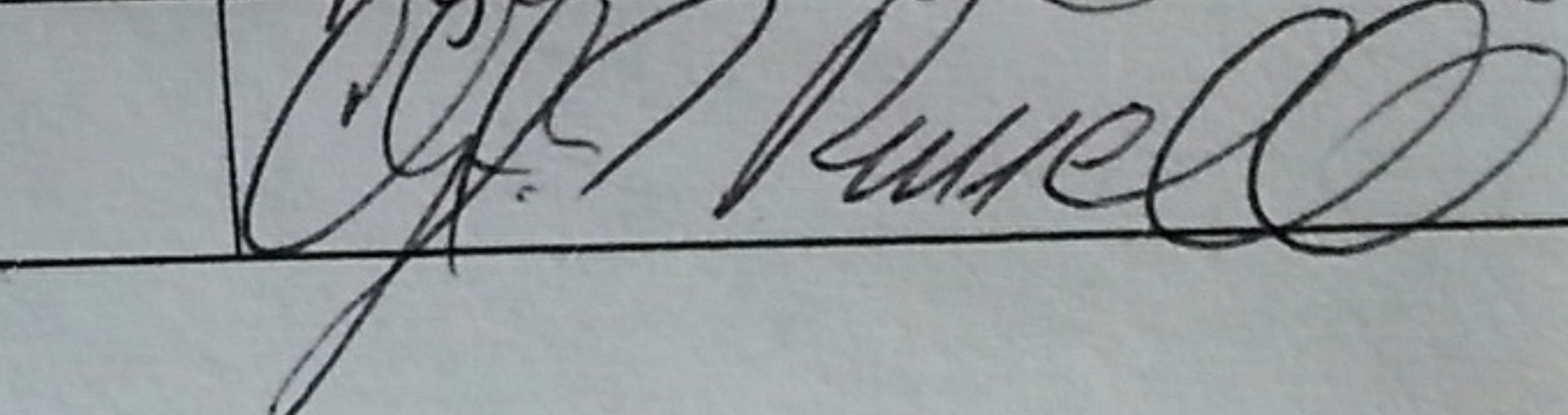
- Additional business presence will have a negative impact on the already fragile balance between residential and nearby business area.
- Loss of privacy for properties immediately adjacent to the site and within sight line of it is of great concern.
- Increased traffic and difficulties with parking are already problems; and additional business will generate more of both.
- Many noted concern that clients to a business are not vested in the neighborhood and thus do not take the care that residents do to maintain privacy and safety. The neighborhood dynamics that we greatly value (private, safe, quiet, and neighborly) will be negatively impacted.
- Properties currently zoned in Duluth to accommodate businesses are not saturated. There is ample opportunity for businesses to establish nearer downtown. Why break up a residential area that is quiet, safe, and affordable?

We urge you to listen to the voice of this neighborhood. Please let your vote represent their voices and vote NO on the rezoning of 2421 London Road.

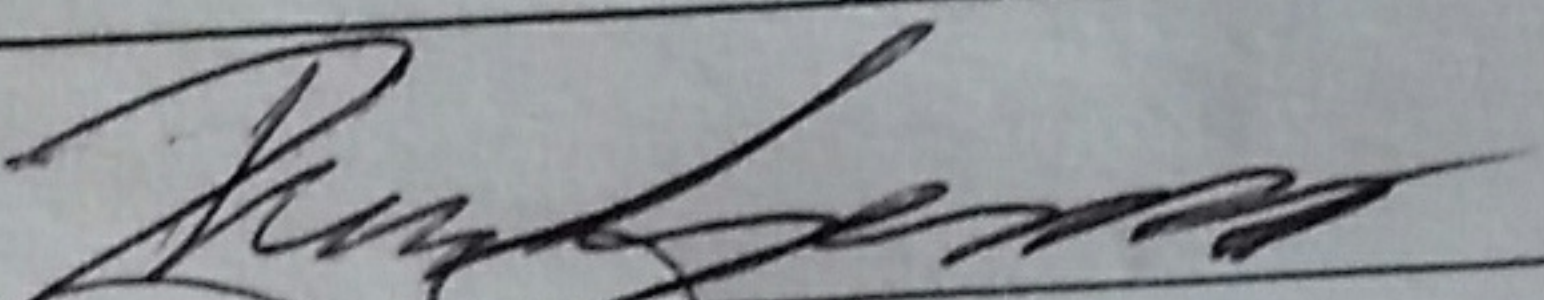
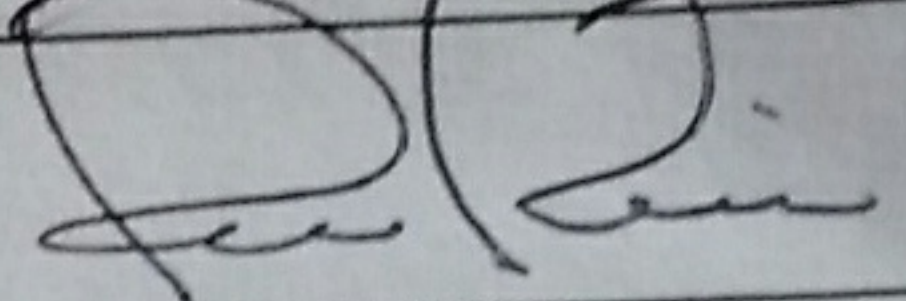
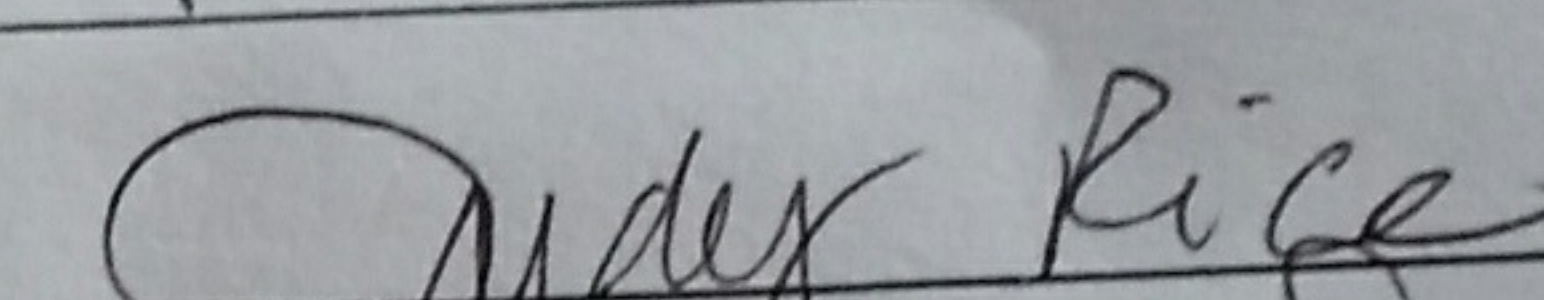
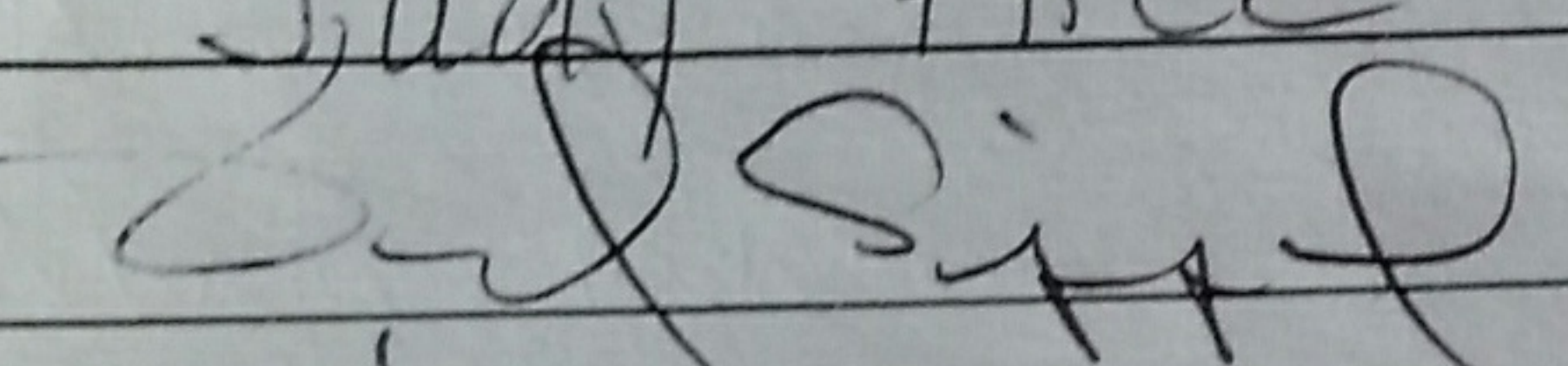
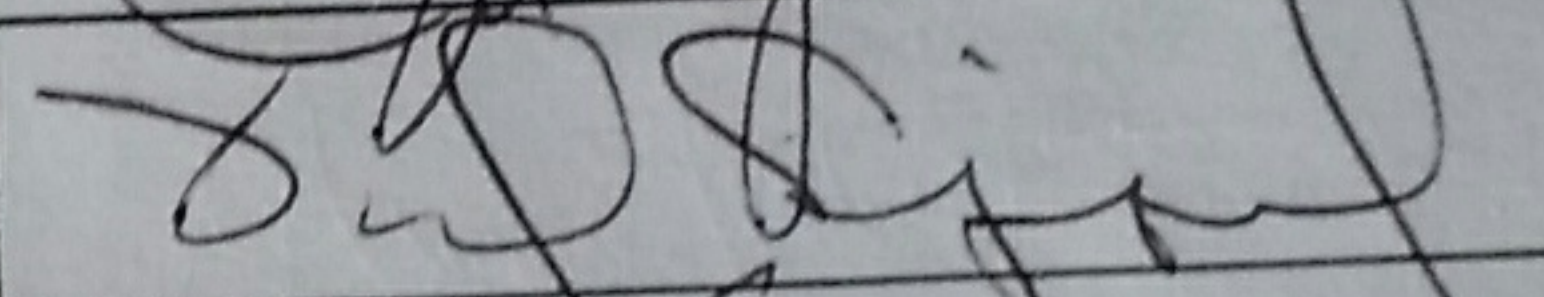
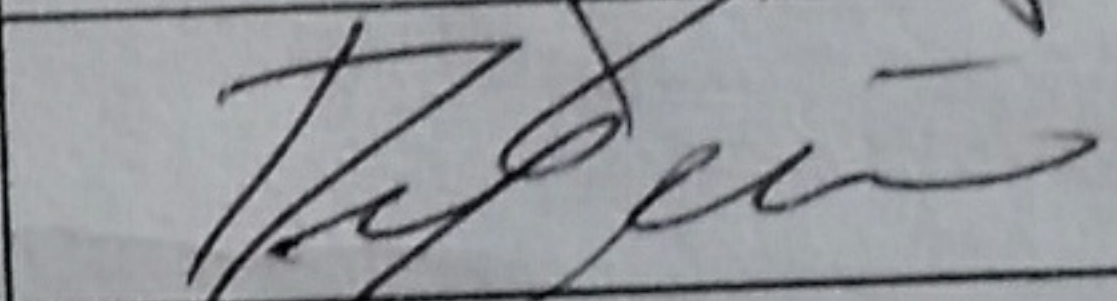
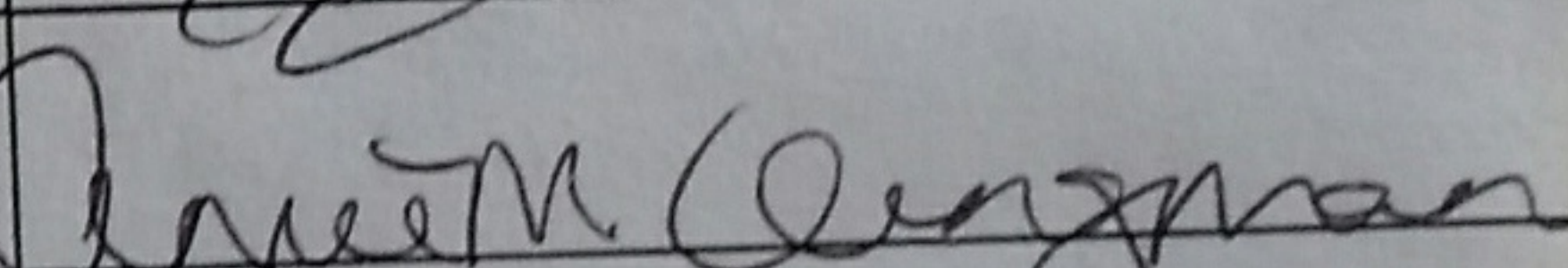
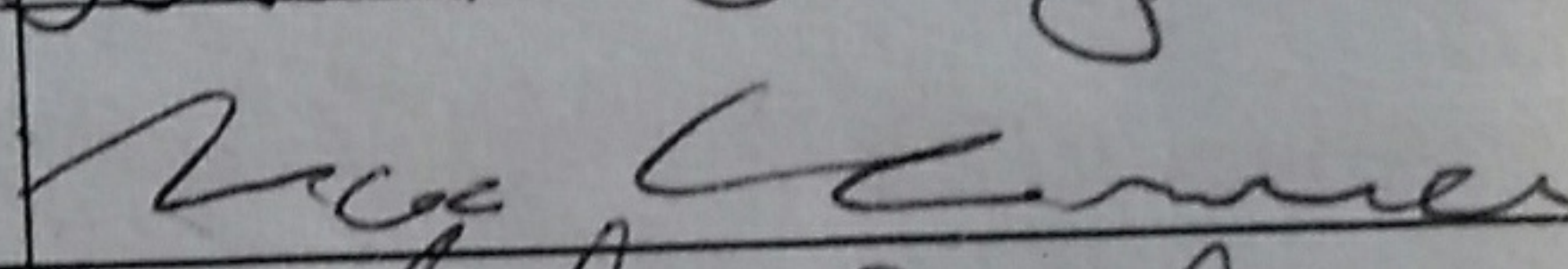
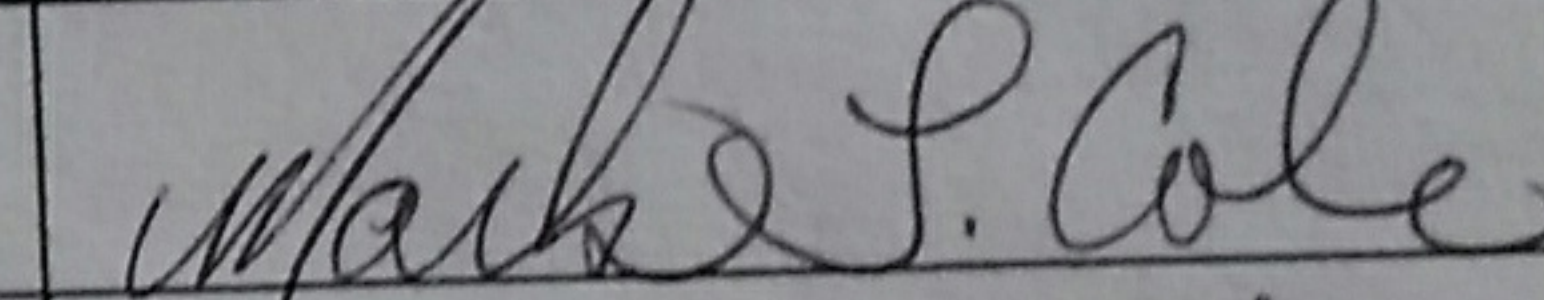
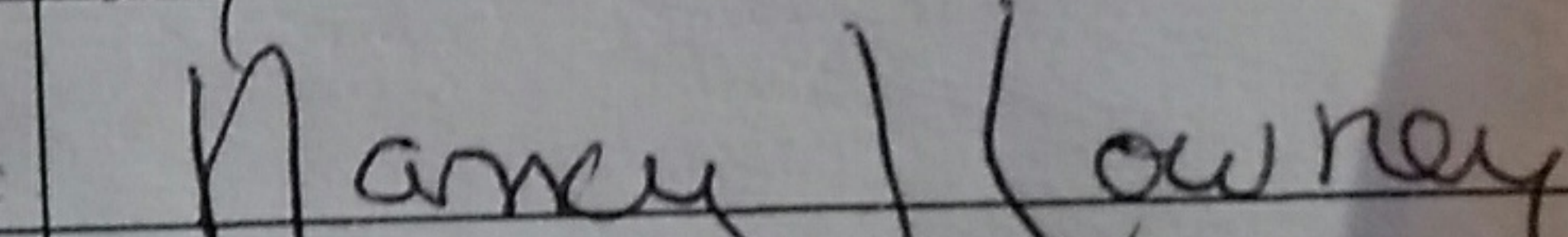
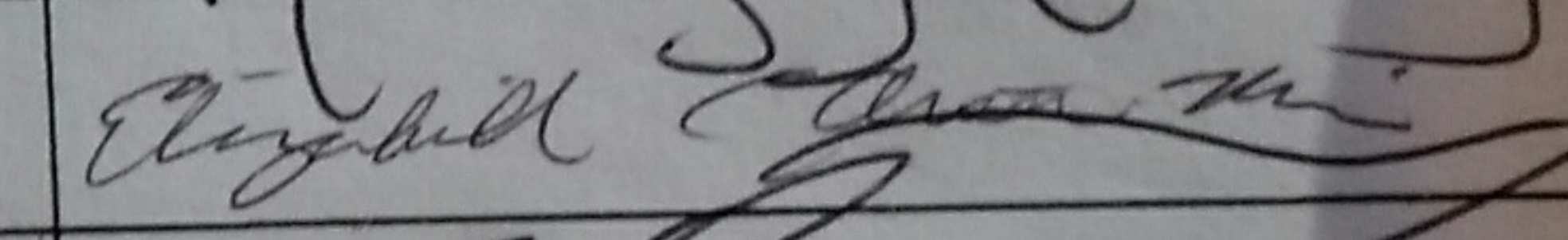
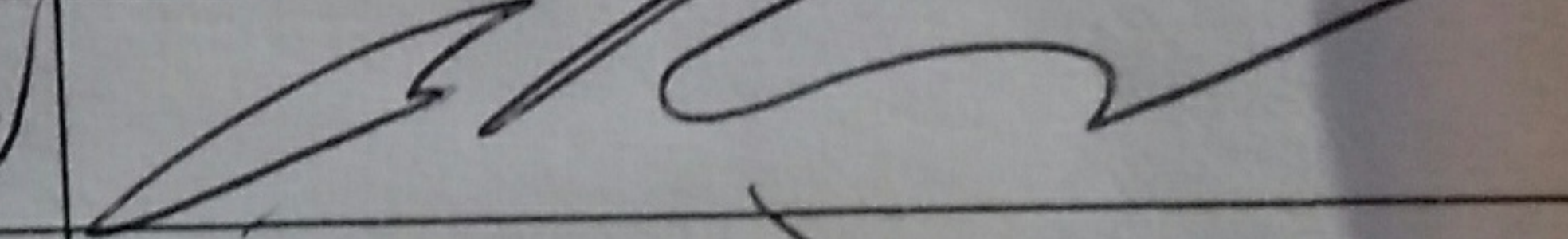
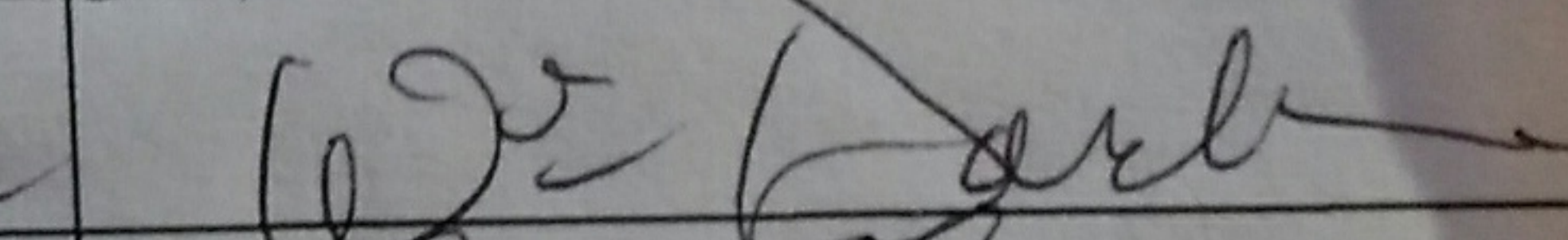
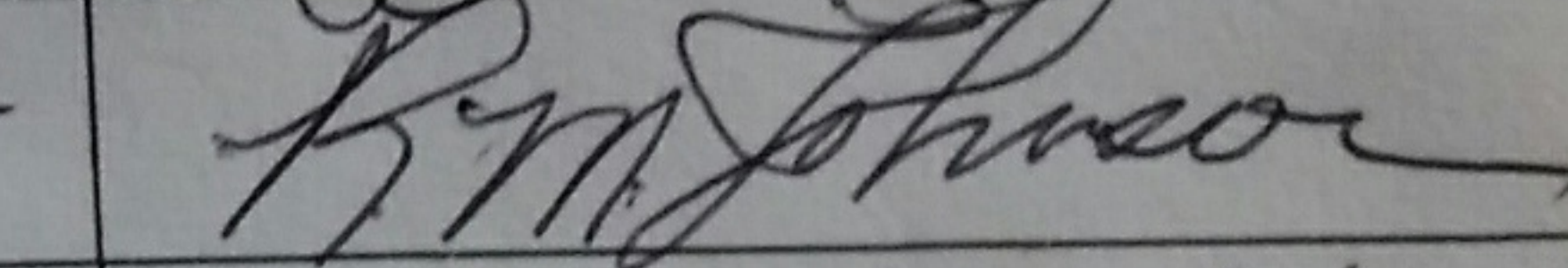
Sincerely,

Ruth Kivisto - homeowner at 2418 Jefferson Street

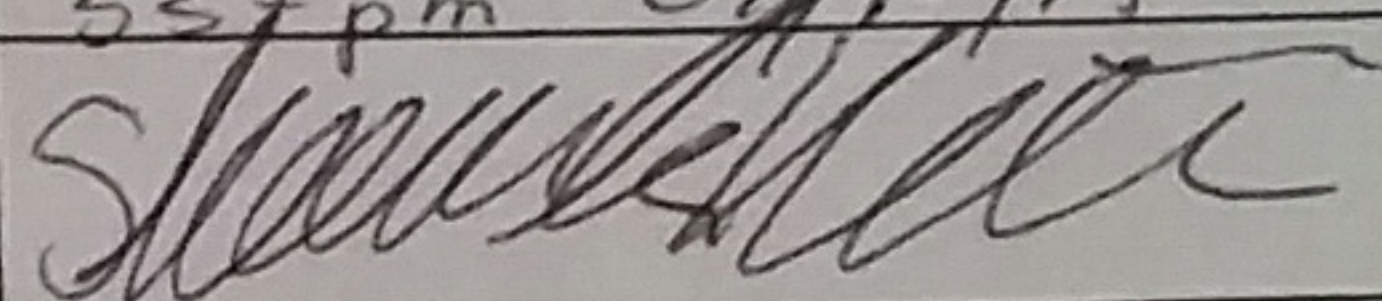
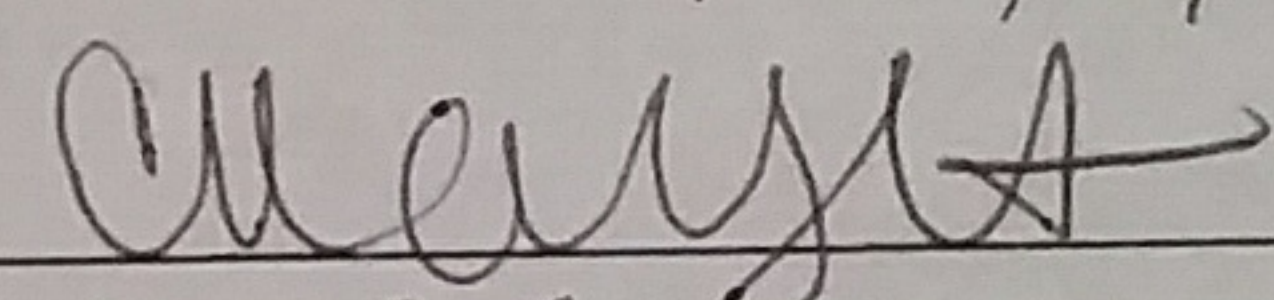
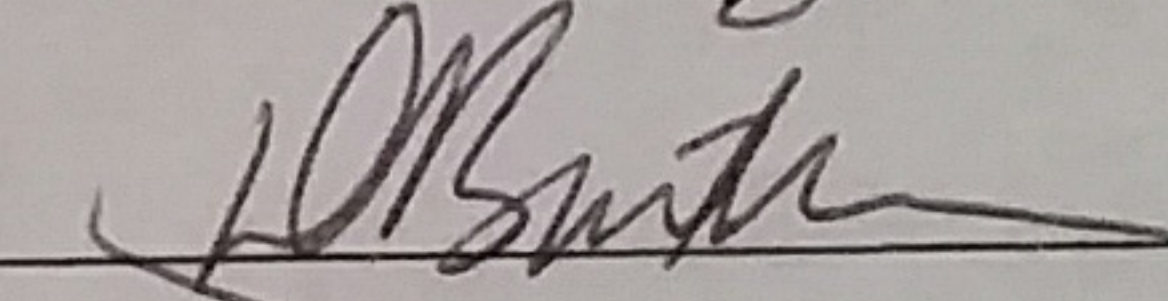
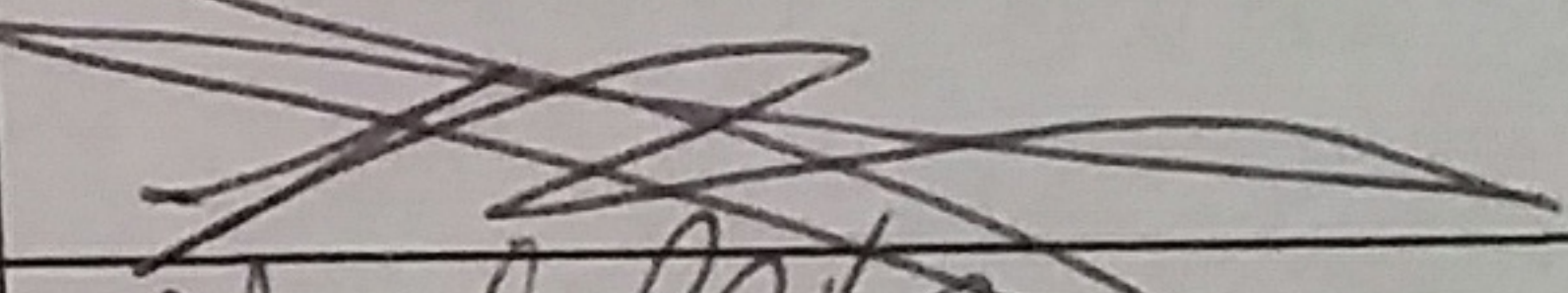
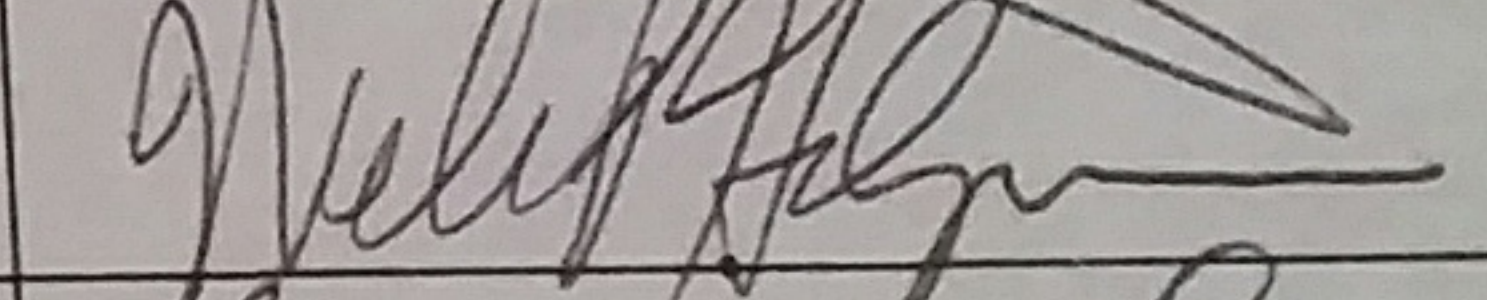
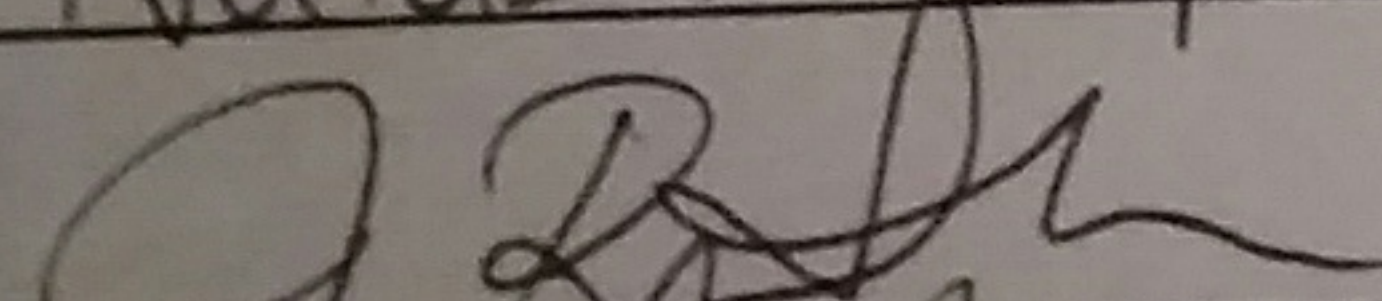
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	Name of homeowner / resident (printed)	Address	Signature
1.	ANDREW SAVI	2414 JEFFERSON ST	
2.	Angel Sarkala Sam	2414 Jefferson St.	
3.	RUTH KIVISTO	P 2418 Jefferson St	
4.	MATT WAHL	2402 Jefferson St	
5.	Michael Linn	2432 Jefferson St	
6.	RODNEY L. HELPS	2431 London Rd	
7.	Hermannne Deutsch	2415 London Rd	
8.	TIMOTHY J. LOWMEY	2431 JEFFERSON ST	
9.	Sandra Smith	2519 Jefferson St	
10.	JUL SMITH	2519 JEFFERSON ST.	
11.	TOM WAAS	2501 JEFFERSON ST	
12.	JEANNIE THOREN	2501 Jefferson	
13.	Kathleen Adee	2505 Jefferson	
14.	Clayton T. Russell	2505 Jefferson	

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15.	Ryan Schrupp	2417 London RD	
16.	Rick Rice	2421 JEFFERSON ST.	
17.	Judy Rice	2421 Jefferson St.	
18.		2412 JEFFERSON	
19.	Reid Elington	2324 Jefferson St.	
20.	Amie Clingman	2328 Jefferson St	
21.	Nick Clingman	2328 Jefferson St	
22.	Mark S. Cole	2510 Jefferson St.	
23.	Nancy J. Lowney	2431 Jefferson St	
24.	Liz Austin Minor	2426 Greysolon Rd	
25.	WILLIAM BRINDA	2420 GREYOLON RD	
26.	William Durbin	2402 Greysolon Rd	
27.	RAY JOHNSON	2428 JEFFERSON ST.	
28.	Dick McNutt	2425 London Rd.	Via phone conversation 3:37pm 09/13/15

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	Name of homeowner / resident (printed)	Address	Signature
29.	Patti McNutt	2425 London Rd.	Via Phone Conversation 3:37 pm 09/13/15
30.	Shawnee McMillian	416 S 25th Ave E	
31.	Kathy Nodle	2508 Jefferson St.	Kathy Nodle
32.	Tommy Brisson	2517 Jefferson St	Tommy Brisson
33.	Bruce Allen Bar	2517 Jefferson	Bruce Allen Bar
34.	Cynthia Wahl	2402 JEFFERSON ST	Cynthia Wahl
35.	Barb Snackenberg	Jefferson St.	Via phone 4:49 pm 09/13/15
36.	Christi Karenget	2410 Jefferson St.	
37.	Dee Bartlam	2409 Jefferson St	
38.	Paul Bartlam	2409 Jefferson St	
39.	Bill Halgren	2408 Greysolon Rd	
40.	Natasha Wyland	411 S 24th Ave East	Natasha Wyland
41.		2132 Jefferson St.	J. R. Allen
42.	Brett Pohanka	2415 JEFFERSON	B. Pohanka

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	Name of homeowner / resident (printed)	Address	Signature
43.	Jamie Pohanka	2415 Jefferson St.	Jamie Pohanka
44.	Randy Shaw	2401 Jefferson St	Ry
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