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Our family's desires were to preserve our Family Farm in a manner that we thought best fit the City values, our family's dreams and our God given gifts & talents. Although we had over 160 signed support letters and testimonies and over 60 from close neighbors and other residents of Independence & Maple Plain, we recognize that other neighbors had a very different and I believe a very misguided perception of our request and did not want to see the wedding venue at our farm. I am therefore withdrawing our request for a Wedding Venue at 6325 County Road #6.

I am however requesting to speak for just a few minutes to publicly withdraw my request and state a few things that I believe the city needs to consider in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan T. Johnson