



Joint Statement from Friendship-West Baptist Church and Stonelake Capital Partners

Stonelake Capital Partners acquired a 20-acre property in 2021 along Interstate 20 which is fully entitled and required no change to the existing zoning. While Stonelake arguably has the property rights to build a warehouse, ultimately a warehouse is not what the community wants, and Stonelake does not desire to be in conflict with the community.

As leaders for our respective organizations, sharing a common Christian faith, we have kept the lines of communication open in the hopes of resolution and collaboration, and we both concluded that we could accomplish more by working together than by working in conflict with each other.

In scripture, it is written in Matthew 5 "*blessed are the peacemakers*" and we have both decided to pursue peace rather than pursue further litigation.

To that end, Stonelake has withdrawn its application for a warehouse building permit and all litigation has been dismissed. We hope to work together toward an outcome for the property which is both beneficial and agreeable to the community.

We are in this together,

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