

## City of North Port DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the North Port Commission

THRU: A. Jerome Fletcher II, ICMA-CM, City Manager

THRU: Jason Yarborough, ICMA-CM, Assistant City Manager

THRU: Alaina Ray, AICP, Development Services Director

THRU: Lori Barnes, AICP, Development Services Assistant Director

FROM: Jeremy Rogus, Arborist, Staff Liaison to the Environmental Advisory Board

SUBJECT: Environmental Advisory Board Recommendation for Warm Mineral Springs AC 7

Comprehensive Plan Amendment

DATE: June 22, 2023

Honorable Mayor and Members of the North Port Commission,

Code of the City of North Port Chapter 4, Boards and Committees – Article IX, Environmental Advisory Board – Section 4-182, states that The Environmental Advisory Board shall advise the city commission on matters pertaining to preserving and promoting wildlife, habitat protection, the city's natural and environmental resources, and safeguarding environmental quality for the future.

On June 5, 2023, during their regular meeting, the Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) received an indepth presentation on all Warm Mineral Springs AC 7 Potential Comprehensive Plan Amendments from Lori Barnes, Development Services Assistant Director. The presentation included four AC7 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Options ranging from a low intensity development option up to high intensity development which would provide for P3 Resort Development.

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On June 5, 2023, during their regular meeting, the EAB discussed and made motion to recommend the "Low Intensity - Park Option" for the Warm Mineral Springs AC 7 Potential Comprehensive Plan Amendment. This option eliminates future development area, changes future land use of the spring and surrounding area to conservation, prohibits residential development, allows limited flexibility for park building expansion, preserves the spring and surrounding land, reduces land area for commercial development, and prohibits P3 resort development.

Thank you,

**Environmental Advisory Board** 

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