From: Rprj1

To: <u>Commissioners</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Solona RV resort

Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 3:10:39 PM



Dear Commissioners,

We are writing to express our concerns about the RV resort seeking approval on Talon Bay Dr. Based on the information we have received, there are many issues that have not been addressed, as well as misinformation being provided by Solona.

According to Solona, a traffic study was conducted, using a "similar" location, but not our specific location. We have a one way lane in and one way out. If RV's are waiting to get in, we will be impacted. They have also claimed they are only seeking long term rentals with check in/ out at specific times. However, in checking their other facilities, there are exceptions to these guidelines. Again, this impacts our community. The cottages are another issue; are they hurricane proof; what about golf carts traveling from one side of the community across Talon Bay Dr. ? What about sound barriers since activities can go on until 11 pm? During construction, how do

we get down our roadway? Has the run off issue been addressed? We respectfully ask that these issues be discussed and examined before approving this development.

Thank you, Phyllis and Robert Curran 6644 Talon Bay Dr North Port, Fl

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From: Robin Smith
To: Commissioners

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Questions about developments **Date:** Sunday, January 7, 2024 6:00:33 PM

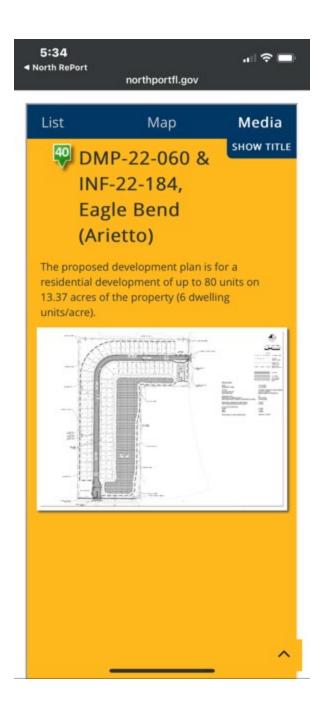
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[ALERT]

Hello Commissioners,

I will be attending the meeting on 1/9/24 at 10am. However, I have a few questions if you can assist me with some answers, that would be great.

Pictured below is the housing development planned to the east side of the Solana RV Park. I have been told it is "on hold" due to issues with water runoff. Question: if it is true that this pictured project is on hold due to possibly causing neighboring properties harm; then how is it that the RV park would not have the same problem?



Also, the park model side of the RV park on the west side of Talon Bay Drive; they are proposing piping their water runoff (from their pond) into a ditch belonging to Talon Bay HOA. How is this even legal? Don't our unified land development codes in Chapter 18 prohibit this action?

Lastly, Talon Bay Drive is another area of issue since it was not originally constructed to accommodate 318 RV big rigs, trailers and 5th Wheels; not to mention Talon Bay HOA has a gated community that is at the southern end of the dead end road.

Talon Bay Drive is not lighted, it doesn't have space for big RV rigs to turn around and these RV's more than likely will back up traffic on 41 both ways at the Talon Bay intersection. Has an appropriate traffic study been done to show that the change of use of Talon Bay Drive can handle not only the RV rigs, extra vehicle traffic but also all the construction traffic?

Lastly, has anyone looked into our protected gopher tortoises? Our bobcats and coyotes as well as other wildlife living in this wooded land? We have to be a voice for them since they are unable to speak for themselves.

Respectfully,

Robin Smith 6968 Talon Bay Dr Sent from my iPhone From: Jack Mcgrath
To: Commissioners

Subject:[EXTERNAL] Solona RV ResortDate:Sunday, January 7, 2024 6:23:01 PM

[ALERT]

Commissioners,

My name is John McGrath. My wife, Phyllis, and I live at 6240 Falcon Lair Drive in Talon Bay. Our property directly abuts the proposed Solona site.

We are both strongly in FAVOR of the project. We think that it will improve the overall area and be a plus for the neighborhood.

Thank You.

From: Lori Hollingshead To: Commissioners

Cc: Jerome Fletcher; Julie Bellia; Jason Yarborough; Amber Slayton; Heather Faust; Alaina Ray; Lori Hollingshead;

Anna Duffey

1/9 Agenda --Solana RV Resort Development Master Plan CC DMP-23-055 ** QUASI ** Subject:

Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 12:26:14 PM

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From: <u>Debbie McDowell</u>

To: David Mueller; Heather Faust
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Solona RV Resort
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 12:17:55 PM

Thank you for your email and sharing your concerns. I look forward to the discussion on this topic at tomorrow's meeting.

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Sincerely, Debbie McDowell Commissioner City of North Port 4970 City Hall Blvd. North Port, FL 34286 Office: 941.429.7071

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----Original Message----

From: David Mueller <muellerbow@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 12:13 PM

To: Commissioners < commissioners@northportfl.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Solona RV Resort

[ALERT]

City of North Port Commissioners,

We have been residents of the Talon Bay Community for more than 15 years and enjoy living here. We have concerns regarding the proposed Solona RV Resort development. The area to be developed is home to a variety of wildlife some of which is threatened and or protected by State and Federal laws. Recent fast paced development in the City of North Port is quickly reducing much of the wildlife habitat in our city and greater area. We need to consider what will remain for our children and future generations.

The current green space also provides a buffer to areas around it during hurricanes or other large storms. This was very evident during hurricane Ian. Loss of tracts of trees will decrease the buffer and result in increased damage to existing property and increase the amount of debris created by a storm. This costs us all in the end.

Also the RV Resort will greatly increase traffic in the surrounding area stressing our current narrow roads. Major road upgrades will be required.

We are opposed to granting this RV Resort development to proceed without addressing the concerns we have at this time. Please consider future generations to ensure that they to will be able to enjoy what remains of our natural habitats. Progress is not measured in developing every remaining green space but maintaining a balance between our environment and development.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our concerns.

David and Valorie Mueller 6280 Falcon Lair Drive North Port FL 34287

Debbie McDowell
David Michaelson; Heather Faust
RE: [EXTERNAL] Application for Solona RV Resort
Monday, January 8, 2024 7:06:29 AM

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From: David Michaelson <djmic22@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 7, 2024 8:32 PM
To: Commissioners < commissioners@northportfl.gov> Subject: [EXTERNAL] Application for Solona RV Resort

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Dear Commissioners,

My wife and I live in Talon Bay subdivision which is located behind the proposed location for the Solana RV Resort which is up for review on Tuesday, January 9, at 10:00 am. We both attended an open house at The Surf RV resort sponsored by Zeman RV Resorts, the company that owns Solana. We will concede that the resort we visited was very upscale, but we also noted that it was very noisy, and a lot of traffic in and out. We could not imagine that the same situation 50 feet from our backyards.

The street leading into the proposed location is quite narrow and if an RV entering would miss the turn into the resort it would be impossible for them to turn around. It should also be noted that the other large Florida Zeman resorts are not next to residential areas, but rather right off busy roadways with easy access and egress.

While we agree that a "Luxury RV Resort" might be good for the city of North Port, we cannot imagine that this location is the right one. The residents of Talon Bay and surrounding neighborhoods will be the ones to suffer if this is approved.

Thank you,

David and Kathe Michaelson 6355 Falcon Lair Dr North Port, FL 34287 419-344-8665

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Debbie McDowell fdickens@gmail.com; Heather Faust RE: [EXTERNAL] Solona RV resort Monday, January 8, 2024 7:06:45 AM

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From: Frances Dickens <fdickens@gmail.com> Sent: Sunday, January 7, 2024 6:47 PM To: Commissioners <commissioners@northportfl.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Solona RV resort

ALERT

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Commissioners

I own a home in Talon Bay. I am for the Solona RV resort. Because I understand that the RV park has agreed to leave a 50 ft Undisturbed ground with trees between the RV park and Talon Bay. And city of North Port commissioners and RV park have convinced me that all is being done to protect our beautiful neighborhood.

I do request that you do not allow two 100 sq ft signs on Talon Bay Drive. The signage on 41 could stay the 100 square foot, but I believe that if two 100 ft signs are on Talon Bay it would take away from the feel you get while traveling on the winding Talon Bay Drive.

Thank you for the good job I have observed since moving here.

Frances Dickens 7472 Talon Bay Dr 770-851-1744

From: Alaina Ray

To: <u>Jerome Fletcher</u>; <u>Jason Yarborough</u>

Cc:Julie Bellia; Amber Slayton; Heather Faust; Anna Duffey; Lori Hollingshead; Lori BarnesSubject:RE: 1/9 Agenda --Solana RV Resort Development Master Plan CC DMP-23-055 ** QUASI **

Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 2:21:35 PM

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During the Site Plan review City staff will analyze the need for other potential roadway improvements that are not Concurrency related, such as existing road base, turnarounds, directional signage, etc.

Thanks, Alaina

From: Debbie McDowell <dmcdowell@northportfl.gov>

Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 12:44 PM

To: Jerome Fletcher <ifletcher@northportfl.gov>

Cc: Julie Bellia <jbellia@northportfl.gov>; Jason Yarborough <jyarborough@northportfl.gov>; Amber

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To: <u>Heather Faust</u>

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Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:46:01 AM

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THANKS Debbie

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From: <u>Debbie McDowell</u>

To: <u>Laura Mueller</u>; <u>Heather Faust</u>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Agenda January 9th CC DMP-23-081. Solana RV RESORT

Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:45:29 AM

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----Original Message----

From: Laura Mueller < lmueller 5737@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 6:53 PM

To: Commissioners <commissioners@northportfl.gov>; Laura Mueller <lmueller5737@gmail.com>; Jason Yarborough <jyarborough@northportfl.gov>; Cres Magliacano <cmag5343@gmail.com>; Bill Correia <mc55volvo@aol.com>; Glen Day <glennd70@aol.com>; Richard Ives <raives@comcast.net>; Jerome Fletcher <jfletcher@northportfl.gov>; Julie Bellia <jbellia@northportfl.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda January 9th CC DMP-23-081. Solana RV RESORT

[ALERT]

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Debbie McLowell

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From: Frank Stropoli <c720f@aol.com> Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 10:12 PM To: Commissioners <commissioners@northportfl.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Proposed RV Resort Park

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Sent from AOL on Android

---- Forwarded Message ----From: "Frank Stropoli" <<u>c720f@aol.com</u>>
Tro: "pstokes@northportfl.gov" <pstokes@northportfl.gov>
Cc:

Sent: Mon, Jan 8, 2024 at 7:55 PM Subject: Proposed RV Resort Park Good Evening Mr. Stokes,

My name is Carol Stropoli, and I reside at 8605 Peregrine Way, North Port, Florida. I am a resident in the Talon Bay Community. I have given this project a lot of thought and have said many prayers.. I have tried to look at this from both sides, and I keep coming back to why this type of project should be built on such a tight piece of property. Has anyone really come out to look at how narrow our lanes are coming off Tamiami Tr. to our gate? I did not get the name of the gentleman who was referred to as Staff. I do not think he took the time to come and visit this roadway. We will not only have to look out for the vehicles, but also pedestrians that will be going back and forth to get to the activities on both sides of Talon Bay Drive. It seemed like he was more interested in what North Port would get in revenue, than thinking of the people that have been long time residents of North Port. This is just not the right location.

I am a new widow, and I travel that roadway to visit my Mother in assisted living in Venice, or when I go to the grocery store, will I get stuck behind an RV pulling a car or boat. The lanes are so narrow, we will just have to wait until they can maneuver it into the park. We will have to change for the enjoyment of people who do not even want to invest in the city.

Right now, I feel no loyalty from my city. We have all been good citizens to North Port, and it is so sad that North Port doesn't care about us. I am not a snowbird, I have made this my home since my husband, Frank and I moved here 9 years ago.

Come visit us, and you will see exactly what is coming for us, if you give this company the okay. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 941-888-5313.

Respectfully (but very sad), Carol Stropoli

From: <u>Debbie McDowell</u>

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