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CC: Barry Burton, County Administrator

Re: Proposed LDR-24-02 and LDR-24-03 Amendments

Agenda Items 42 and 43

Commissioners:

I am a member of the "Development Customer Advisory Group" (DCAG) that was created to provide feedback to the county administrator.

The following comments are constructive feedback on the above referenced agenda items scheduled to be heard at your April 23rd meeting.

Agenda Item 42 – Removal of DRC decision making authority

Apparently for Sunshine reasons this board can now only serve a review body.

Applicants should be given the option of bypassing this review if their questions were adequately answered in a pre- application meeting.

Alternatively, the DRC could be eliminated entirely?

Seems like another review hurdle that could be bypassed w/ positive impact on staff resources.

Agenda Item 43 - Stormwater Manual Changes

Recommend approval of these <u>belated</u> and <u>very minor</u> regulatory relief changes.

The engineering members of the DCAG group as well as the development community continue to demand some substantial economic relief.

Recommend that instead of spending \$100k +/- on staff managed "peer review" consultants to defend the current stormwater code that a cost analysis be conducted on the cost of complying with this code using the 7 years of data that exists.

The "peer review" consultant was careful never to allow public testimony at the workshops or follow up with DCAG members with our numerous comments.

The final "peer review" report did mention that there no clear trends in water quality improvement since the ordinance was enacted.

So you have to wonder if the code is really making a difference.

I would be more than happy to provide detailed feedback, as appropriate.

Sincerely,

LANDON, MOREE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

John C. Landon, R.E.