

CW 18-15

From: Mary Greenough <clrwmary48@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2018 9:13 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S; Seel, Karen; Gerard, Pat
Subject: RE: Rezoning at 300 S. Duncan Ave

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Dear Board Members and Commissioners, I would like to respectfully object to the rezoning of the parcel of land at 300 S. Duncan Ave., Clearwater to allow for the building of storage units. This is a long established residential neighborhood. I would not want this to happen in my neighborhood! If a change in land use can happen here on Duncan Ave, it could happen in my neighborhood as well. This is not a good idea to arbitrarily make these kinds of decisions. Please consider the wishes of the residents themselves and not allow for the storage units to be built here.

Thank you.

Mary Greenough
1385 Boylan Ave
Clearwater, FL 33756

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From: bmays@aol.com
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2018 7:32 PM
To: Seel, Karen
Cc: Gerard, Pat; Chatman, Rodney S
Subject: Rezoning of Pinellas Property

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First, let me tell you that I was born at Morton Plant Hospital and worked for Pinellas County for 30+ years. We lived in the country -- near Clearwater High School. I have seen plenty of zoning and land use bungles over the years and this will be another if you approve it. I rarely write to express my opinion, but I feel this is important to preserve our community.

Nobody wants to live near a self-storage facility where people are coming and going as well as making noise loading and unloading their vehicles. The homes that are close will be adversely affected and their property values will decrease. Those homeowners have a reasonable expectation that their home values will be protected. Please consider voting against a change of land use at 300 S. Duncan Avenue in Clearwater.

The Clearwater City Council ignored the advice of its own staff and the pleas of its constituents when it voted to change the zoning of this parcel. Years ago when we lived in an area that had a problem, I spoke to Karleen DeBlaker and she met me to look at the adjoining property. Soon after, it was purchased by the City and made into a retention pond to alleviate flooding in our neighborhood. That is what we elect our leaders to do.

I ask that Forward Pinellas and the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners keep from making the same mistake when voting to change the land use of this parcel. I know that if this was Island Estates, Belleair, or another prestigious neighborhood, this would not be approved. If it was being built across from your homes, the land use change wouldn't be approved. The same respect and consideration should be afforded to the all the other residents of Clearwater and Pinellas County."

Please vote to represent those who elected you to represent them. Thank you.

Beverly Mays

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From: Howard Warshauer <captainhw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2018 5:29 PM
To: Seel, Karen; Gerard, Pat; Chatman, Rodney S
Subject: Forward Pinellas Vote

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This item is a serious error in judgement and that is why I oppose the change of land-use at [300 S. Duncan Ave](#) in Clearwater.

Voting to change the zoning and land-use so that a self-storage facility can be built 30 feet away from established homes in an established, residential neighborhood sets a terrible precedent for Clearwater and the rest of Pinellas County.

The Clearwater City Council ignored the advice of its own staff and the pleas of its constituents when it voted to change the zoning of this parcel. We ask that Forward Pinellas and the County Commissioners **not make the same mistake when voting to change the land-use of this parcel.**

Thank you so much for consideration of my request.

Sincerely,
Howard Warshauer

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From: Dee Findlay <dee.findlay9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2018 5:15 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S; Seel, Karen; Gerard, Pat
Subject: Oppose land use change

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OPPOSE LAND-USE CHANGE FOR BUILDING STORAGE FACILITIES IN ESTABLISHED PINELLAS NEIGHBORHOODS

I signed the petition but also wanted to email you personally to let you know that I oppose the change of land-use at 300 S. Duncan Ave in Clearwater. Voting to change the zoning and land-use so that a self-storage facility can be built 30 feet away from established homes in an established, residential neighborhood sets a terrible precedent for Clearwater and the rest of Pinellas County. The Clearwater City Council ignored the advice of its own staff and the pleas of its constituents when it voted to change the zoning of this parcel. We ask that Forward Pinellas and the County Commissioners not make the same mistake when voting to change the land-use of this parcel. I don't believe that any of the Clearwater City Council members, or the Forward Pinellas Board members or any of the Pinellas County Commissioners would vote to allow such a facility to be built right across the street from their own homes. The same respect and consideration should be afforded to the all the other residents of Clearwater and Pinellas County

Thank you,

Wilberta J. Findlay
3464 Gulf to Bay Blvd #279
Clearwater, FL 33765

727-239-0029

A 25 year resident of Skycrest Neighborhood

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BCC 7-17-18

From: Loy, Norman
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 4:54 PM
To: Bachteler, James J
Subject: FW: CW 18-15
Attachments: Proposed land use change for storage facilities; [BULK] Oppose storage facilities in residential neighborhoods; land use in Pinellas Co; RE: Rezoning at 300 S. Duncan Ave; Rezoning of Pinellas Property; Forward Pinellas Vote; Oppose land use change

Jim:

Please add the attached email to the record for the CW 16-15.

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Thanks,

Norm

Norman D. Loy
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Office of Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
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From: Creech, Whitney
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 4:50 PM
To: Loy, Norman <nloy@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Chatman, Rodney S <rschatman@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: CW 18-15

Commissioner Gerard has received the following 7 messages relating to an upcoming Countywide Planning case for the 7/17 BCC meeting.
CW-18-15, 300 S. Duncan Avenue, Clearwater, FL

Whitney Creech
Comm. Gerard's Office – District 2
727.464.3360
wcreech@pinellascounty.org

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From: Karen <kcleath@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 3:55 PM
To: Gerard, Pat
Subject: Proposed land use change for storage facilities

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Dear Ms. Gerard:

Along with signing a petition to oppose land-use change to allow storage facilities in Pinellas County, I wanted to directly reach out and echo my sentiments to you. This is a terrible idea. The storage facilities not only do not belong in established neighborhoods but will ruin them as well. Zoning laws are meant to protect our neighborhoods and us citizens from exactly this type of thing. Having the rules change as the wind blows completely negates their purpose. I cannot imagine how it is considered a good idea. In fact, my own neighborhood is fighting a proposed 40-foot-high mammoth storage facility. It is not only highly incompatible with our waterfront community but will completely ruin the look and feel of our downtown Palm Harbor. Since we are unincorporated, we do not have a mayor or more formal governmental body to help fight these types of encroachments. It's all on the backs of the neighborhood and YOU. I hope you will sympathize with us and vote down this idea.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Karen Watson
713 New York Ave.
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

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From: Sudie Borders <ksbordersjville@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 3:23 PM
To: Gerard, Pat
Subject: [BULK] Oppose storage facilities in residential neighborhoods

Importance: Low

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I would appreciate your support to keep our residential neighborhoods intact. Recently I signed a petition to oppose this and am reaching out to you again on this matter. Thank you.

Sudie Borders
100 Hampton Rd.
#145
Clearwater 33759

Sent from my Verizon Motorola Droid

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From: Gayle Smith <philadelphiagayle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 1:46 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S; Seel, Karen; Gerard, Pat
Subject: land use in Pinellas Co

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Dear Mr. Chatman
Ms. Seel
and Mr. Girard

I live in the Crest Lake Park neighborhood. I signed a petition to stop the land -use at 300 S. Dunc an Ave in CW because I strongly disagree with that location being turned in to a commercial enterprise that invades the neighborhood with an activity that is NOT wanted in our neighborhood AT ALL. BUT even agaisnt the advice of city staff City Council voted to allow it...WE are who are in charge here. WE said we didn't want it. City council overstepped their boundaries here and in failing to listen to their bosses they chose the path of helping one out of town builder and a doctor who wants more for his property than it was worth and so here we are. I fear that because developers can get land cheaper by invading neighborhoods with connections to elected officials allowing them the air cover that our neighborhoods throughout Pinellas county are prey for these "deals" to be approved despite the will of The People. I cannot sit back and watch this happen on a local, state or federal level. Would ANY of these elected or appointed official in our City Council ,Forward Pinellas Board members or any of the Pinellas County Commissioners vote to allow this kind of business to move in to their neighborhoods???? I seriously DOUBT it. Please do NOT let this set a precedent for our beautiful county. Don't allow the change of zoning and land-use in my neighborhood which allows a storage facility to be built within 30 FEET from established home, established neighborhoods of residential areas of our neighborhood or ANY neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Gayle Smith
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From: Loy, Norman
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:40 AM
To: Bachteler, James J
Subject: For BCC and Forward Pinellas Records
Attachments: RE: land use in Pinellas Co; RE: Tomorrow's vote on changing the land-use of 300 S. Duncan Ave; RE: [BULK] "OPPOSE LAND-USE CHANGE FOR BUILDING STORAGE FACILITIES IN ESTABLISHED PINELLAS NEIGHBORHOODS"; RE: [BULK] Zone GN & land use; RE: Land use change 300 South Duncan

Hi Jim:

The attached emails are for BCC and Forward Pinellas Records.

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From: Simmons, Cyndi M
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:32 AM
To: Gayle Smith
Cc: bccassistants; Loy, Norman
Subject: RE: land use in Pinellas Co

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Thanks so much and take care.

Cyndi Simmons
Executive Aide to Commissioner Karen Williams Seel
727-464-3278

From: Gayle Smith [mailto:philadelphiagayle@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 1:46 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S <rschatman@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Seel, Karen <kseel@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Gerard, Pat <pgerard@co.pinellas.fl.us>
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From: Simmons, Cyndi M
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:30 AM
To: Aaron Smith-Levin
Cc: bccassistants; Loy, Norman
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's vote on changing the land-use of 300 S. Duncan Ave

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From: Aaron Smith-Levin [mailto:aaron@otgresearchgroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 5:00 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S <rschatman@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Seel, Karen <kseel@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Gerard, Pat <pgerard@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Blanton, Whit <wblanton@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: Tomorrow's vote on changing the land-use of 300 S. Duncan Ave

Dear Board Members and Commissioners,

Tomorrow, the Forward Pinellas Board will vote on whether to change the land-use for the property at 300 S. Duncan Ave in Clearwater. This requested change only exists because the property owner wishes to sell his property to a developer of self-storage facilities, and the sale is contingent on the zoning and land-use being changed to allow the construction of the self-storage facility.

Said storage facility would replace the current, 44-yr old, 2-story office building, which the owner has allowed to fall into disrepair over the past many years. The owner has also been turning away new tenants, driving down his occupancy rate, so that he can push the argument that retaining the office building for its current use is not viable.

The proposed land-use change and storage-facility project **does not fit the character** of this established, historic neighborhood. Such a change would create a dead-zone in our neighborhood and eliminate a hub of economic activity that has existed at this location for over 40 years.

Voting to change the zoning and land-use so that a self-storage facility can be built 30 feet away from homes in an established, residential neighborhood sets a terrible precedent for Clearwater and the rest of Pinellas County.

The Clearwater City Council ignored the expert advice of its own Planning Department and the pleas of its constituents when it voted to change the zoning of this parcel several weeks ago. We ask that Forward Pinellas and the County Commissioners not make the same mistake when voting to change the land-use of this parcel. There are PLENTY of unutilized commercial lots in Clearwater where such a storage facility could be built.

I don't believe that any of the Clearwater City Council members, or the Forward Pinellas Board members, or any of the Pinellas County Commissioners would vote to allow such a facility to be built right across the street from their own homes. The residents of Skycrest and the citizens of Pinellas County should be afforded the same respect.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Aaron Smith-Levin

1615 Harvard Street

Clearwater, FL 33755

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From: Simmons, Cyndi M
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:29 AM
To: John Parsonson
Cc: bccassistants; Loy, Norman
Subject: RE: [BULK] "OPPOSE LAND-USE CHANGE FOR BUILDING STORAGE FACILITIES IN ESTABLISHED PINELLAS NEIGHBORHOODS"

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From: John Parsonson [mailto:johnp@relaypoint.net]
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 8:01 PM
To: Gerard, Pat <pgerard@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Seel, Karen <kseel@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Chatman, Rodney S <rschatman@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: [BULK] "OPPOSE LAND-USE CHANGE FOR BUILDING STORAGE FACILITIES IN ESTABLISHED PINELLAS NEIGHBORHOODS"
Importance: Low

Dear Rodney Chatman, Karen Seel & Pat Girard,

I have been a resident of Clearwater for more than a decade. I first visited Clearwater in 1984. You might say I have had a bit of experience with living here.

The most valuable quality is the small town, nice feeling of a village of nice homes. That's not a limit. That's quality. There are many places in Clearwater where development has taken place. No problem.

Of course development is necessary but when the development is invasive, our leaders need to do their job of supporting the people who live here.

The American people have stood up and said “We are sick and tired of this”. That’s a loud message Sirs, I invite you to pay attention. This is a polite request for you to do your job...

Sincerely

John

John Parsonson

From: Simmons, Cyndi M
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:27 AM
To: rupaul beatty
Cc: bccassistants; Loy, Norman
Subject: RE: [BULK] Zone GN & land use

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From: rupaul beatty [mailto:tonydiggs2002@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 9:08 PM
To: Seel, Karen <kseel@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: [BULK] Zone GN & land use
Importance: Low

I signed the petition but also wanted to email you personally to let you know that I oppose the change of land-use at [300 S. Duncan Ave in Clearwater](#). Voting to change the zoning and land-use so that a self-storage facility can be built 30 feet away from established homes in an established, residential neighborhood sets a terrible precedent for Clearwater and the rest of Pinellas County. The Clearwater City Council ignored the advice of its own staff and the pleas of its constituents when it voted to change the zoning of this parcel. We ask that Forward Pinellas and the County Commissioners not make the same mistake when voting to change the land-use of this parcel. I don't believe that any of the Clearwater City Council members, or the Forward Pinellas Board members or any of the Pinellas County Commissioners would vote to allow such a facility to be built right across the street from their own homes. The same respect and consideration should be afforded to the all the other residents of Clearwater and Pinellas County.

Thank you,
Anthony & Jeana Durso

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From: Simmons, Cyndi M
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 9:27 AM
To: JoAnna Siskin
Cc: bccassistants; Loy, Norman
Subject: RE: Land use change 300 South Duncan

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From: JoAnna Siskin [mailto:siskinj54@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 11:48 PM
To: Chatman, Rodney S <rschatman@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Cc: Seel, Karen <kseel@co.pinellas.fl.us>; Gerard, Pat <pgerard@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: Land use change 300 South Duncan

Dear Forward Pinellas and Commissioners,

My name is JoAnna Siskin. I am the President of the Skycrest Neighborhood Association. The neighborhood has asked me to write on their behalf to voice our objection to the proposed land-use change for 300 South Duncan. The proposed land-use change would allow a two-story 70000 + square foot storage facility to be built IN our neighborhood.

We are a working class neighborhood who cares deeply about the revitalization of Skycrest and are actively engaged in making this neighborhood one of Clearwater's gems.

A storage facility is not a compatible use of adjacent properties (our homes). It also does not reflect the locational characteristics of our charming historic neighborhood.

Despite our voiced objections and in direct opposition to the recommendations of the city's Economic Development department, and the Planning department's original staff report, the Clearwater City Council voted to approve the zoning change which will pave the way for the land use change so the storage facility can be built at 300 So. Duncan.

Planning Director Michael Delk advised the council to deny the change because it did not fit the character of the area, conflicts with the city's strategic plan, and could be a blow to the historic and transitional neighborhood of Skycrest.

We believe any land use change should weigh heavily the established character of predominantly developed areas when change of use and or intensity of development are contemplated.

Please do the right thing and deny the land use change so a storage facility will not be built in our neighborhood. It's an abuse of this older neighborhood and will open a Floodgate for it to happen in other older neighborhoods throughout the county.

We are sure none of you would like it built across the street from your homes.

Thank you for your consideration.

JoAnna Siskin
President Skycrest Neighbors