

Rahman, Nousheen

From: Rahman, Nousheen
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 10:35 AM
To: Rahman, Nousheen
Subject: FW: Pinellas Board Meeting Comments FLUM-60

From: Casey Crane <caseycrane0486@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 9:49 AM
To: info@forwardpinellas.org <info1@co.pinellas.fl.us>
Subject: Pinellas Board Meeting Comments FLUM-60

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Hello,

My name is Casey Crane and I am a lifelong St. Petersburg resident. My comments for the board are as follows:

If you vote in favor of FLUM-60, you are destroying the essence of the St. Pete neighborhoods surrounding it. People buy homes in our area of the city because, aside from being right on the main roads (66th St, 22nd Ave, etc.), it is quiet and peaceful. It's a family location with parks, soccer fields, community pools, baseball fields, the Pinellas Trail etc. This is going to ruin that feeling and environment with extra traffic, noise, pollution, and crime.

Our city's wastewater system is already overloaded yet this complex wants to build a lagoon, industrial sports complex, and almost 700 additional residences to further burden it? That is insane and will only further contribute to those issues that result in waste water being pumped MULTIPLE times into Tampa Bay.

There is no need for a PRIVATE development that is building the same things but charges \$25/day admission. We dont need or want a water lagoon for people to swim in that's build over toxic land. This is an obvious play for making money and nothing that will add value to or benefit the people living within the community itself. This property was said decades ago that it should be left vacant for decades more to come because of the health concerns that exist on that land.

I have read the DEP report from summer 2020. Chemicals associated with cancer kidney failure, respiratory conditions and a lot of other health issues are present in in high levels. Those chemicals, which can stay in the air for 2-3 days at a time, will be what all of our residents will be breathing in if construction starts tearing up that land. That could be carried to surrounding neighborhoods as well and affect people there.

While the complex will have "fittings" to supposedly prevent those toxins from entering any new residences being built there, it does nothing to fit or retrofit the existing residences in the area that will be impacted.

This development has no plans for it's own security. This will burden our already overburdened police force. It will take them away from responding to threats in surrounding neighborhoods and other parts of the city. Everything from public intoxication and trespassing to noise ordinance concerns or, worse, other situations an additional 8,000 people a day will likely bring to our homes in the surrounding area. This affects all of us.

Another concern is regarding home values. This type of complex will take away from our home values and the equity we've built in these costly investments. Look at the neighborhoods surrounding developments like Adventure Island,

Busch Gardens, etc. High crime, bars on the windows, unwelcoming and, frankly, unsafe. Don't depreciate the values we have built over the years with this monstrosity.

If you want to build a complex like this, look elsewhere. Ideally, outside the city or in an industrial area. Do not ruin our neighborhoods with this unwanted and unneeded complex. It isn't wanted and a lot of our neighbors have told you as much by calling your offices and writing emails to Derek Kilborn.

Casey Crane

Rahman, Nousheen

From: Azalea Neighborhood <azaleaassociation@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 11:08 AM
To: Rahman, Nousheen
Cc: Azalea Association
Subject: CW 21-06

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Good morning Mr. Chatman,

The members and board of directors have voted to back the development on the Raytheon property. The entire property sits in the Azalea Neighborhood and borders the Jungle Terrace Neighborhood. The property has been a blight on our neighborhoods since Raytheon abandoned the site and sold it off to a developer in Saint Louis, MO who had no intention of doing anything with the property but flipping it. Porter Development has been the first company to come along with a real plan for development. After many conversations with the property owner, the Mayor, various city departments and Les Porter (Les Porter developed the hugely successful Shoppes at the Royal on 66th Street North 33710) both the Azalea Neighborhood Association, Inc. and Jungle Terrace Civic Association are TOTALLY IN FAVOR of the sports complex on 72nd Street North 33710.

Dominick D. Griesi, President
Azalea Neighborhood Association, Inc.
Serving our Neighborhood since 1952
Member: West Neighborhoods United



67 Years Advocating for Jungle Terrace Neighborhood, Largest and Oldest
March 5, 2021

TO: Forward Pinellas

RE: 6B3 Case CW21-06 St. Petersburg

Reality: There has been NO Employment on this property in 20+ years.
The “theory” of possible jobs is just that. Provide them.

Reality: Tyrone Industrial Park to north of the site is in Jungle Terrace neighborhood.
In 10 years, one new business 5 years ago. Multiple vacant properties for 3+ years.

City of St. Pete, and the owner of the property have tried for 5 years to actively market this
Property as industrial, with NO Results!

The proposed, Sports Center, Crystal Lagoon and beach, and Workforce housing apartments
are MAJOR Enhancements to Jungle Terrace, Azalea neighborhoods, Pinellas Trail.

Jungle Terrace Board, and Members at our General meeting, thoroughly reviewed
the variety of aspects and amenities, site plan, and responses to concerns.

Voted UNANIMOUSLY in Favor by both Board and Members!!! Twice.

Jungle Terrace maintains Mile 9 of the Pinellas Trail for 10 years in agreement with
Keep Pinellas Beautiful. This project’s improvement of a long section is a great addition.

We especially like the professional, experienced consultants and management organizations
involved in this mighty project . . . e.g. Sports Facilities Advisors to maximize the
St. Petersburg Sports and Events Center, offering a variety of **multi-generational** sports
activities: leagues, camps, clinics, and instruction for local sports participants, basketball,
volleyball, pickleball, etc., plus local and regional tournaments and competitions.

We are delighted with the non-sport activities such as youth summer and holiday camps, after
school programs, youth development classes, class and membership-based fitness, corporate
events, birthday parties, and other active recreation and community focused programs.
AND, our “neighborhood beach” Crystal Lagoon.

Sincerely,

Ed Carlson

Dr. Ed Carlson, President

For the Board and Members

Rahman, Nousheen

From: Jacqueline Kanner <junejackie@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 27, 2021 8:09 AM
To: Rahman, Nousheen
Subject: Raytheon property

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Dear Sir,

I have great reservation over the spill from Raytheon that has yet been addressed and seems that money, profit and construction over rides the safety of the people who will live on the site you are considering to build. If fumes and leakage of the chemicals become an issue to water supply, playgrounds, pool building and other construction, it is with not only danger to the citizens who unwittingly purchase/use the property you are zoning, but can become a legal issue for those permitting it! Leaving the city open to lawsuits will become a legal haggle for decades since the city and property owners knowingly are using, selling and zoning without completely fixing the chemical in the soil. I have the original spill papers and this area is DANGEROUS!! My sister lives in Stones Throw on the pond and I have lived on Park Street for 67 years. We have a vested interest in your actions, decisions and pathetic need to put money over safety!!

Flint, Michigan comes to mind when the mayor/city council felt that money was more important than the sanitation of the water supply. Here again, money is the motivator and those who put it before the lives and safety of the citizens will surely regret the decision to build on the current chemically contaminated property!!

By doing so, the city/YOU are reckless, irresponsible and put those living on/near the plume in DANGER as you further the zoning/building on this property!!

Be WARNED about future LAWSUITS!!

Respectfully,

Jackie Kanner

1601 Park Street North
St. Petersburg, fl. 33710

Sent from my iPad

Rahman, Nousheen

From: Todd Johnson <todd2464@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Rahman, Nousheen
Subject: Statement to Forward Pinellas_210310_084253.pdf
Attachments: Statement to Forward Pinellas_210310_084253.pdf

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Here you go, CW-2106

My name is Todd Johnson and I live less than 300 feet from this property. Everyday in the summer and spring there will be non stop disturbance of the peace in this quiet residential area.

When the lagoon isnt open in the winter there will be outdoor events concerts parties weddings loud music and shouting and screaming, PA, systems, This will be a major source of noise, disturbance and congestion in my neighborhood. to put this project in a residential area and on a contaminated site is ludicrous. The number of jobs estimated isn't even close to being near justifying the need for workforce housing there. Do you think that the people that work at the mall are going to buy a condo or rent at this development and with the economy and the government mandating wages I highly doubt that the number of jobs this development will create will be over half of what they estimate which is 80. This project needs to be located at a place where there are hundreds of jobs not just 50 or so.

Amazon and other companies have interest in this property and will bring hundreds of high paying jobs to this community, they will not go bankrupt after a couple years like this place will.

Also, studies recommend other places much more desirable with better surroundings for this development, where jobs are available justifying construction of Workforce housing. It looks to me that even though there are glaring problems and tremendous negative reports about this location the city and the council's and the commission's are choosing to ignore them and push it ahead even though the overwhelming majority of residents in this area don't want this amusement park in their neighborhood. I've seen two influential members of local homeowners associations stand up in favor, while the overwhelming majority of residents are against it. Hundreds and hundreds of people have signed a petition against it. There are about a half a dozen reports negative saying it shouldn't be there. How

can anyone not think that there's impropriety going on here and someone in leadership on the proponent side is lining their pockets, when your ignoring obvious reasons to locate this project elsewhere.

