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Subject: FW: Case No. Z-07-06-19

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Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Zoning <zoning@co.pinellas.fl.us>
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In reference to the above case no. Chimayo, LLC, we own land at the corner of Snug Harbor and Plaza Comerico, and are fully supportive of the zoning change.

There are currently townhomes, duplexes, single family and commercial buildings this area, and feel the re-zoning would be an asset to the community.

I wanted to do this in writing, because in previous years, I have attended meetings, and been permitted to voice my opinion, then another owner followed me and contradicted what I said when it was their turn, and I was not permitted to clarify what I meant, as I had already spoken.

This area is exploding, and know that the County will make sure construction will be done correctly, and make this area a great place to live.

The trees in the above mentioned parcel are loaded with wood bore and mainly Brazilian peppers, which would be no loss to be taken done. In the marshland area, there are some mangroves.

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To Whom it may Concern:

We just purchased our home at 1032 Ricardo PL. N.E 33702 on April 24th 2019. We had no clue that any of the potential changes to this neighborhood nor the surroundings would be changed or built on. Or we would have never purchased this Home! We love the privacy, Location, all the tree's & woods around us, wild life, Weedon Island, etc... With that being said our main concerns are

A. Environmental Destruction:

Weedon Island We would think will also be in danger!! All the wild life that could be in Grave Danger...

Flooding because of reduced drainage, Sewage issues because of Low Elevation, Traffic problems due to the fact that we only have access to two Lane Roads,

Wild life such as all the beautiful Birds, such as Scabb Jays, Blue Jays, red birds we have even spotted two big Amazon Parrots living behind us, along with lots of regular parakeets. Will all be in Danger, Not to mention that if they build all around us, we all & our animals^{PETS} will be put in danger as well. Building around here will give animals such as water moccasins, Rattle Snakes, Coyotes etc no other choice but to invade our Land & our Homes!!

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Another big concern of all of us that own homes here is multifamily homes would reduce the property values of all whom own! Not good for any of us. Too much traffic through here is another big issue.

Building around us could also cause problems for small business owners such as Crab Shack & other small business. This area should not be destroyed. Not any other areas around

St. Petersburg offer this kind of country like, wooded, private beauty please don't let them take that from us.

Construction around here will also be a big major problem, traffic, dust, dirt & noise.

Please take our concerns into consideration when making your decisions

Thank You. Sincerely
Tracy & Dwight Hile 😊

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Jane R. Davis
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on My Concern:

I have owned the home at 1048 Ricardo Pl. N.E. for almost 34 years. I am writing to vehemently oppose future zoning changes in my surrounding neighborhood. The reasons for my opposition are as follows:

① Parcel at NE corner of San Martin Blvd. and

Ricardo Pl. NE: Addressing this parcel in particular, 7-8 yrs. ago (?) there was a proposal by Brady Bridger to build town homes on that land. The zoning changes were denied because of drainage/flooding issues. Nothing has changed since then so I implore you to continue to deny any development in that area.

② Environment: The parcel of land south/south-east of Ricardo Pl. N.E. is a natural extension of Weedon Island Preserve. As such, the area is full of animal habitats which would be destroyed by development. Further, more building in the area will force wildlife, including water moccasins, alligators, coyotes, into the existing neighborhoods, jeopardizing the safety of current residents. And, south of Savona Drive, there are numerous estuaries that are breeding grounds for various aquatic species.

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- ③ Sewage: The elevation of the area is very low. Currently all the houses on Ricardo Pl. N.E. are still on septic systems. Multi family homes would create increased population density and numerous problems with sewage disposal.
- ④ Flooding: The property in question is in Zone A elevation area. In heavy rain storms, water accumulates between the drain fields for the septic systems. In more severe storms and hurricanes, there has been up to 3.5 feet of standing water in the area which lasted for several days and presented perfect breeding places for disease carrying mosquitos. Development of multi family dwellings would reduce drainage and cause additional runoff into ~~current~~ current homeowners' property and more damaging flood waters.
- ⑤ Traffic: Access to any new developments would be on existing two lane roads causing a considerable increase in traffic problems, especially before and after work hours and during operation of Derby Lane Dog Track.
- ⑥ Existing Property: Future proposed development



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⑥ continued: would reduce property values of existing homes; there will be a reduction in privacy for current homeowners and multi family development will not match the existing neighborhood.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns when making your final zoning decisions.

Sincerely,
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Attn. Developmental Review Service
Department.

Letter in response to
Case # 2-07-06-19

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My name is Sylvia Griswold I live at 1198 Ricardo Place N.E. Saint Pet, Fla 33702 I have lived in my home for 35 years and had dreaded this day. For the last 35 years my neighbors and my self have been lucky enough to enjoy an environment that is unique. We live close to city life but we are tucked back to feel like we live in the country. Surrounded by trees and wild life it has been a paradise. We look out our windows and see beautiful trees and nature at its best. The thought of losing this is heart breaking - but the thought of losing it to town homes or condos is devastating. NOT only would we lose the character of our neighborhood and our trees, and our privacy but we would become another cookie cutter neighborhood. We always knew some one would build but we were comforted knowing it was zone for single family homes. To rezone this area for anything more would not have a positive outcome for the residents. The Build will try to sell us that it will make our general of us have been in our

homes for a very long time and we are not ²⁰¹⁶ concerned about our property values going up. We live here because it's beautiful, peaceful and all we've ever known. We are also concerned because several plots around us are preserves. It's such a beautiful area that money is not our motivation.

The damage a large amount of homes in a small area will do to the surrounding environment is worrisome. Our road is a dirt road that is considered privately maintained. For the last 35 years for me and for the last 60 years for my neighbor we have maintained and bought rock and never asked for anything. This was okay with us because we lived in our privacy.

Another huge concern is based on my own personal experience with someone trying to build exactly what Chymgo is requesting. My home is on the county city line. Due to a divorce many years ago I never received my mail and was not given the notice to be able to take my case against the rezoning. They rezoned it for multi family homes and it has been a nightmare. Almost five years ago the builder cleared the land, killing hundreds of trees. They also cleared hundreds of trees they shouldn't have.

Due to the issues with the plans I have had to listen to them clear and stop, clear and stop for 4 years. The noise and the results of their actions has been stressful. When this development is finished it will be 27 townhomes. This is where I will build my case against townhomes. They finally received their permit last year. In the year they have built one out of five buildings. They have a shell of a second building that has sat for a year. They also have not sold any. They have been on the market for over 300 days in presale and as they progressed with the one building. So not only have I had to deal with construction noise, constant environmental effects, and workers who do not follow the rules the city has in place. We are in a flood zone and because they allowed them to bring in so much fill dirt that when it rains my property is so much lower that the water can sometimes sit for weeks. This cause the mosquitoes and frogs to be out of control. Some times I can't even take my dog for a walk. At the rate they are building it could be 4 more years before any of my issues will be resolved. I could take them that long to finish at the rate they are

a market too town homes ...
 is also a huge concern that the new developer
 given the opportunity could mirror what is going
 on now. NOT only would we lose our trees, our
 privacy and peace of mind but we could be sentenced
 to years of construction or if they don't ~~sell~~ sell
 huge areas of dirt and empty shells of buildings.
 As I said earlier they are several areas
 of preservation along some of the local in
 question. If anything whatever is build should
 keep to that feeling and not be developed into
 another commercial project. Lord knows they are
 enough of those on Gandy and 4th street. A lot
 of those town homes and condos sit empty. In
 my ~~own~~ opinion this is a perfect example that
 town homes and conds are not in a huge demand.
 The ones they built on Savona look so out of
 place sitting next to the single family homes. When
 I asked the city council at a recent meeting
 why it was rezoned they couldn't really answer
 but instructed the builder to plant trees all
 along my property line that borders theirs so
 that I could have my privacy and feeling
 of natural aesthetics back. If you drive around

The Ricardo's house, with many other houses
 you will find beautiful single family homes - 5th

Many tucked back behind trees, They too want
 to keep the Natural look and feeling to the area.

Single family homes can be built to keep the
 preservation look and feel to the area.

The roads also cannot handle the addition
 of so many new homes if it is reasonable.

They are over flowing now at times with Derby Lane
 adding an Amazon Facility. In the morning sometimes
 it takes five minutes to cross Bandy from San Martin
 and of the build 70 or so town homes it will
 be dangerous due to the extra traffic. I

apologize for this being hand written. I am
 old school and it is easier for me than
 using the computer. I look forward to

speaking on Thursday. This is a very stressful

situation and emotional from the aspect that
 change is hard and because of what I

have had to deal with be hard on me it is somewhat
 surprising that this could happen all around me.

Please consider the people and our lives and
 how if life we have built and enjoyed for

50 many wonderful years. + 10 years
on leaving my home. I have worked to jobs for both
over 20 years to pay my home off. It's where
I raised my children and they come back
and we have dinners outside under the trees
and the stars. Thank you for your time.
I am going to email pictures that will
show you some of the area in case you
not familiar. It's a beautiful area and we
are a community that will fight for our
way of life. Have a great day
and if you have any questions please call
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