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Topic	Case Number ZLU 20-12
BCC Agenda Date	2-23-2021
Your Stand on the Issue	Oppose
Comments	I oppose this case. You do not need to try to approve of decreased lot sizes that would not be compatible with existing neighborhood lot sizes.
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To: [Long, Janet C](#); [Gerard, Pat](#); [Justice, Charlie](#); [Eggers, Dave](#); [Seel, Karen](#); [Peters, Kathleen](#); [Robinson-Flowers, Rene](#)
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Thank you for your time,

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Sincerely,
Melanie Walters

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Citizen Name Leo Torres

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County Administrator

Subject Case No. Z/LU-20-12

Message We are very much opposed to the proposed zoning change that would affect development of a 2.5 acre lot and surrounding developable property which, until recently, was a lovely pasture with a barn and horses. This was one of the few remaining pieces of pastureland and citrus groves in this area, bordered on 2 sides by Allen's Creek.. The charm of this area drew us to purchase a home nearby. We enjoy walking down the shady pictorial gravel road fronting this property. It would not be so bad to have 5 homes on the property, as Current zoning allows, but proposed changes that will result in increased density to our neighborhood, increased burden on Belcher Elementary school traffic, and decrease in our property values. I urge you to vote against this change, to preserve the character of our neighborhood. We do not need more high density development in this lovely "old Florida " neighborhood.

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I have lived at 2224 Lawton Dr for over 30 years. My property is adjacent to the SW corner of the proposed infill development. My property is one of four properties on Lawton Dr that will be directly impacted by the project. At the time I purchased my house, I was drawn to the rural country feel of the neighborhood with large open spaces. The property has dozens of oak trees and undergrowth that over the years has supported numerous species of wildlife. Up until the applicant purchased the property, several horses also roamed the property. The applicant's request for a proposed zoning change from R-R to R-3 appears consistent with most of the surrounding properties of which I have no issue with. However, I do OPPOSE the Land Use change request from Residential Suburban (RS) to Residential Low (RL) for the reasons stated below.

Neighborhood Compatibility – Proposed Density The neighborhood area, which is bordered by Belcher Road to the West, Winchester Rd to the East, Kersey Road to the North and Lancaster Rd to the South has a remarkably diverse range of housing from large SFR to smaller homes. However, two things are consistent, all 56 parcels (including the subject property) have a Land Use designation of RS and have lot sizes significantly larger than 6,000 SF minimum required for properties zoned R-3 (Please see Municipality Map). In fact, most if not all homesites are in excess of 14,000 sf and many are considerably larger. The subject property's current Land Use designation of RS is consistent with the 6 adjacent properties bordering the subject parcel, as well as the 50 other properties in the neighborhood described above. Maintaining the RS designation would ensure that development would be compatible with the existing neighborhood as described above. Per the "Application for Zoning and Land Use Change" (Exhibit 2), the applicant states that his request for a "Land Use" change from RS (2.5 residential units per acre) to RL (5 residential units per acre) is compatible with the properties on the East side of Winchester Road. This statement is misleading. He makes

no mention that his parcel is surrounded on the other three sides by 56 properties that are designated RS. The properties on the East side of his parcel lie in a completely different neighborhood that is separated by a public road (Winchester). The recent trend of developments consisting of homes with large footprints and minimum yard space is concerning to me as owner of an adjacent property. If the applicant can build the 10 to 11 homes on lots that are 60' x 110' (per application), this would have a SIGNIFICANT negative impact on the quality of life for the owners of adjacent properties. The only development in the general area in the last 15 years was the recent development (2018) of a vacant parcel along the north side of Kersey Rd. The development consists of 7 villas on lots that are approximately 50' wide and 119' deep or 5,950 SF. The development's narrow homes have virtually no yards. Maintaining the current Land Use designation of RS would ensure compatibility with surrounding area and hopefully provide adjacent property owners some sense of open space of which this county needs so badly. Traffic Lawton Drive is a private road and as owners we are responsible for its maintenance. Over the past years traffic has picked up considerably as many people who live east of the neighborhood described above, use Winchester road to get access to Lawton Dr in order to avoid the light at the Lancaster/Belcher intersection. In addition, many parents who take/pickup their kids to Belcher Elementary school use Lawton Dr as a backway to the school to avoid traffic backed up at the light. Winchester Road is gravel and less than 12 feet wide. It is essentially an alley used for access to residences backyards (see photos) who live on Dorchester Rd. Any improvements to Winchester Rd will encourage additional traffic on Lawton Dr. If the applicant's request is approved, and he builds the 10 or 11 homes he is proposing, there is the potential for up to 21 cars (58 additional daily trips) entering/exiting Winchester road several times a day, and many of them will use Lawton Dr. The subject parcel is currently occupied by a land clearing business to store vehicles and equipment. This assumption is already evident as several of the employees use Lawton Dr. for access to the property. For a road that is only 18 feet wide and barely wide enough for two vehicles to pass each other, that would put a tremendous burden on Lawton drive residents.

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