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McLaughlin, Karen

From: Sue Farrell <sueweissfarrell@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2024 12:58 PM
To: Brinson, Ryan; McLaughlin, Karen; Schoderbock, Michael
Subject: Letter of Opposition
Attachments: letter of Opp.pdf; photos of back yard.pdf

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Hi Ryan and Karen,

Please see the attached letter of opposition for Case No FLU-23-06 and ZON-23-07. I have also included photos of one of my main concerns to the proposed change. Please call me with any questions or if there is anything else you need from me. I met Michael Schoderbock last night at the meeting so I have included him in this email as well. If I need to send it to anyone else please let me know. I am very hopeful that you will see my concerns and allow my home and surrounding homes to remain just that. A place for us to live. Please confirm that you have received my letter and photos.

Thank you so much for your time,
Susan Farrell

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February 2, 2024

Building and Development Review Services

Pinellas County

Subject: Opposition to Proposed Land Use Change (Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07)

Dear Ryan,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed land use change behind my residence and my adjacent lot, as outlined in Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07. Having been a homeowner in this community for almost 20 years, I have a vested interest in maintaining the character and quality of life that attracted me to this area in the first place.

The proposed change, which includes boat sales, maintenance, and storage, raises significant concerns for me and my neighbors. The most pressing issue is the potential impact on our privacy and the aesthetics of our homes. As you may be aware, my fence, which serves as a boundary between my property and the proposed development site, stands at a height of only 6 feet. The boats intended for storage are estimated to be 11-12 feet tall on average, creating an intrusive visual presence that will undoubtedly compromise our privacy and diminish the charm of our residential neighborhood. I have enclosed a few photos of this very concern.

Furthermore, the proposal allows for the construction of a building with a maximum height of 45 feet. This significant elevation poses a threat to the serene and low-profile nature of our community, casting shadows and altering the overall skyline in a manner inconsistent with the surrounding residential area. Such a stark departure from the existing landscape is likely to have adverse effects on property values and the overall appeal of our homes.

In addition to the visual impact, I am deeply concerned about the potential disruption caused by the access road from the back of the property. The road, which runs through a residential neighborhood, raises questions about increased traffic, noise, and the general safety of our community. The ingress and egress of large boats and vehicles associated with boat sales and maintenance could significantly impact the peaceful and family-friendly atmosphere that we have enjoyed for decades.

Moreover, I own a vacant lot adjacent to my residence, and the proposed land use change may negatively impact its potential for development for a future home for my daughter. The uncertainty introduced by the construction of a boat-related facility nearby could deter prospective buyers and developers, thereby affecting the value and utility of my property.

In light of these concerns, I respectfully request that the County Planning Department carefully reconsider the proposed land use change and its potential consequences for the surrounding residential community. I encourage the County to explore alternative locations for boat-related activities that are more compatible with commercial and industrial zoning, thus preserving the character of our neighborhood.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and trust that the County will carefully consider the impact of this proposed land use change on the long-standing residents of our community. I am open to further discussion on this matter and would welcome the opportunity to participate in any public hearings or meetings related to the case.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher Farrell
Susan Farrell



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Team Savage, Inc./Cycle Springs

From: Kathleen Roberts <roberts.kathy6@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 2:17 PM
To: Schoderbock, Michael; Brinson, Ryan; McLaughlin, Karen
Subject: Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07

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February 5, 2024

Building and Development Review Services

Pinellas County

Subject: Opposition to Proposed Land Use Change (Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07)

Dear Ryan and Karen,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed land use change behind my residence as outlined in Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07. Having been a homeowner in this community for over 30 years, I have a vested interest in maintaining the character and quality of life that attracted me to this area in the first place.

The proposed change, which includes boat sales, maintenance, and storage, raises significant concerns for me and my neighbors. The most pressing issue is the potential impact on our privacy and the aesthetics of my homes. As you may be aware, my fence, which serves as a boundary between my property and the proposed development site, stands at a height of only 6 feet. The boats intended for storage are estimated to be 11-12 feet tall on average, creating an intrusive visual presence that will undoubtedly compromise my privacy and diminish the charm of my residential neighborhood.

Furthermore, the proposal allows for the construction of a building with a maximum height of 45 feet. This significant elevation poses a threat to the serene and low-profile nature of our community, casting shadows and altering the overall skyline in a manner inconsistent with the surrounding residential area. Such a stark departure from the existing landscape is likely to have adverse effects on property values and the overall appeal of my home.

In addition to the visual impact, I am deeply concerned about the potential disruption caused by the access road from the back of the property. The road, which runs through a residential neighborhood, raises questions about increased traffic, noise, and the general safety of our community. The ingress and egress of large boats and vehicles associated with boat sales and maintenance could significantly impact the peaceful and family-friendly atmosphere that I have enjoyed for decades.

In light of these concerns, I respectfully request that the County Planning Department carefully reconsider the proposed land use change and its potential consequences for the surrounding residential community. I encourage the County to explore alternative locations for boat-related activities that are more compatible with commercial and industrial zoning, thus preserving the character of our neighborhood.

As I attended the neighborhood meeting on February 1st at Cycle Springs, I see that many of my surrounding neighbors also expressed the same concerns as I do. I appreciate your attention to this matter and trust that the County will carefully consider the impact of this proposed land use change on the long-standing residents of our community. I am open to further discussion on this matter and would welcome the opportunity to participate in any public hearings or meetings related to the case.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Roberts

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From: Lorie Steurer <lmsteurer@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 3:35 PM
To: Brinson, Ryan; McLaughlin, Karen; Schoderbock, Michael
Subject: Letter of Opposition - Land Use Change
Attachments: 7014_Land Use Letter.pdf

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Dear All,

Please see the attached letter in opposition of the proposed land use change in our neighborhood. Let me know if you have any questions. I would be happy to discuss my concerns with you further.

Thank you,
Lorie Steurer

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February 6, 2024

Mr. Ryan Brinson
Ms. Karen McLaughlin
Building and Development Review Services
Pinellas County

Subject: Opposition to Proposed Land Use Change (Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zone-23-07)

Dear Ryan and Karen,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the land use change that has already taken place behind my residence at 7014 297th Avenue N in Clearwater and the proposed land use change as outlined in Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zone-23-07.

The Steurer family has been homeowners in this community for over 30 years. I have a vested interest in maintaining the character and quality of life that attracted our family to this area originally.

The commercial zoning behind my property has already impacted our quality of life and the neighborhood atmosphere of the area. Despite installing a six foot fence and screening behind our yard, we currently have a view of a rusty container towering over the fence along with other debris adjacent to our backyard. Along with this eyesore, there is noise and traffic generated by Cycle Springs up and down our street all day, every day. I do not wish this situation on the rest of the neighborhood. Unfortunately, we were unaware of what was taking place on the property behind our house which was a residential property before Cycle Springs came to our neighborhood.

The proposed change, which includes space for additional boat sales, maintenance, and storage, raises significant concerns for me and my neighbors. The most pressing issue is the potential impact on our privacy and the aesthetics of our homes (which has already taken place in our situation). Furthermore, the proposal allows for the construction of a building with a maximum height of 45 feet.

This significant elevation poses a threat to the serene and low-profile nature of our community, casting shadows and altering the overall skyline in a manner inconsistent with the surrounding residential area.

An additional stark departure from the existing landscape is likely to have adverse effects on property values and the overall appeal of our homes.

In addition to the visual impact, I am deeply concerned about the additional potential disruption caused by the access road from the back of the property (we are already

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experiencing the increase in trailer and large vehicle and boat traffic on 297th Avenue N). The road, which runs through a residential neighborhood, raises questions about increased traffic, noise, and the general safety of our community. The ingress and egress of large boats and vehicles associated with boat sales and maintenance has already significantly impacted the peaceful and family-friendly atmosphere that we have enjoyed for decades.

The uncertainty introduced by the construction of a boat-related facility nearby could deter prospective buyers and developers, thereby affecting the value and utility of my property and our neighbor's.

In view of these concerns, I respectfully request that the County Planning Department carefully reconsider the proposed land use change and its potential consequences for the surrounding residential community. I encourage the County to explore alternative locations for boat-related activities that are more compatible with commercial and industrial zoning, thus preserving the character of our neighborhood.

This business has no business in a residential area. It will not be a quiet office building that is closed on weekends with limited vehicular traffic.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and trust that the County will carefully consider the impact of this proposed land use change on the long-standing residents of our community. I am open to further discussion on this matter and would welcome the opportunity to participate in any public hearings or meetings related to the case.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Lorie Steurer

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Team Savage, Inc./Cycle Springs

From: Jolanta <plitty5@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 10:22 PM
To: Brinson, Ryan; McLaughlin, Karen; Schoderbock, Michael
Subject: Letter of opposition to the proposed land use changes Case No.FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07
Attachments: staples_scan.pdf

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February 4th, 2023

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**Building and Development Review Services
Pinellas County**

Opposition to proposed Land Use Change (Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07)

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter as our strong opposition to the proposed land use changes outlined in Case No. FLU-23-06 and Zon-23-07. As residents and homeowners in this community for nearly 18 years, we were surprised to learn of these proposals. The current issues stemming from the existing business location have already posed significant challenges.

A primary concern is the transition of residential areas to commercial use. Our street has become a testing ground for power bikes, ATVs, and other equipment, with individuals frequently exceeding speed limits and disrupting the peace of our quiet neighborhood. Delivery trucks are causing damage by using our front yards for U-turns and parking, and the ingress and egress of large boats and vehicles related to sales and maintenance severely impact the peaceful, family-friendly atmosphere we have cherished for so long.

Safety is another significant concern. Delivery trucks often block the entrance from US-19 onto our street, complicating access to and from this busy highway and posing risks to our community's safety.

Moreover, the proposed changes threaten our privacy and the aesthetic appeal of our neighborhood. The boats intended for storage, averaging 11-12 feet in height, create an intrusive visual presence that undermines the charm of our residential area. Furthermore, the allowance for constructing a building up to 45 feet tall poses a threat to the low-profile nature of our community, casting shadows, altering the skyline, and potentially diminishing property values and the overall appeal of our homes.

In light of these concerns, we respectfully request that the County Planning Department carefully reconsider the proposed land use change and its potential consequences for the surrounding residential community. We encourage the exploration of alternative locations for boat-related activities, ones that align with commercial and industrial zoning, to preserve the character of our neighborhood.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and trust that the County will thoughtfully consider the impact of this proposed land use change on the long-standing residents of our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

**Zdzislaw Plitt
Jolanta Plitt**

Handwritten signatures of Zdzislaw Plitt and Jolanta Plitt. The signature for Zdzislaw Plitt is written above the signature for Jolanta Plitt.