Johnson, Krista

From: jamesfc@tampabay.rr.com
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 1:28 PM

To: Eggers, Dave

Subject: Stop R-5 Zoning Changes in Suburban Palm Harbor & Save Natural Habitat

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Dear Commissioner Eggers,

I am writing you to inform you that I am very concerned about the proposed zoning change in Palm Harbor of 21.5 acres on the Pinellas Trail directly behind the Suncoast PriJmate Sanctuary.. That is not a good site for 78 condominium units. We need to keep some green space for wildlife in Pinellas County and the Primate Sanctuary is a piece of our Florida and County history. I am asking you look closely at the facts and vote NO on this zoning change.

There is a sizable petition growing against these changes. Citizens and voters are concerned.

Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

Sincerely,

James and Carolyn Caldwell, Palm Harbor resident and registered Pinellas County voter

The details are provided below:

Stop R-5 Zoning Changes in Suburban Palm Harbor & Save Natural Habitat

The Noell Family LLC land parcel, located adjacent to the Pinellas Trail and Alt 19 South of Klosterman, is a significant, 21.5-acre piece of natural Florida and should be preserved in order to maintain the much-needed green space for Pinellas County residents and to protect one of the few 70+year old natural habitats in the County. In Clearwater, Dunedin, and Palm Harbor there are few acres of undeveloped land; this unique parcel has been untouched for over 70 years, and as such, is home to a wealth of local animal and plants species whose habitat will be destroyed if zoning changes and development proceed.

We are asking for your support in opposing the current rezoning proposal for a 21.5 acre parcel of land located adjacent to the Pinellas Trail and Alt 19 South of Klosterman, from Residential Agricultural to Urban Residential R-5.

- 1. The proposed development plan includes up to 78 dwellings within the confines of the property, with only a single road access and no defined buffer between the homes' backyards and the Pinellas Trail and adjacent Suncoast Primate Sanctuary.
- 2. The developers have overlooked creating a comprehensive flood plan mitigation strategy for adjacent natural areas to the west which will be significantly impacted by the proposed development.
- 3. The proposed 78 townhomes will house up to 156 adults and adolescents who will drastically impact the traffic patterns and congestion of the area. Valley Road is currently a small, poorly maintained thoroughfare that feeds into a congested highway (Alternate US 19). The deleterious effect of the predicted 549 additional daily trips of the residents of this area would be substantial in terms of road wear and tear, destruction of natural habitat, and public safety.
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From: CHARLENE CATER <scweeeker@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Eggers, Dave

Subject: Say no to construction on Trail

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