

MEMORANDUM



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To: Lisa Barrett, Planning Manager
From: Bobbi Roy, Planning Coordinator
Date: July 11, 2012
Subject: Agenda Update for the July 12, 2012 Planning Commission

- Item 4 – Ordinance 12-20 – Unnamed Exclusive Golf and Country Club (aka University Park Country Club) DRI #12**
- Item 5 – PDR-89-05(G)(R10) – Unnamed Exclusive Golf and Country Club**

Both items to be continued to September 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as same may be heard.
Public Comment Letters – see attached

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cc: Planning Commissioners - 6
Doug Means, Planning Division Manager
Sarah Schenk, Assistant County Attorney
Susan Angersoll, Development Review Specialist
Rossina Leider, Senior Development Review Specialist
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*Beverly Preston
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July 5, 2012

Manatee County Planning Commission
1112 Manatee Avenue West
Bradenton, Fl
34205

Dear Sirs and Madams,

Last Saturday we received a letter regarding the rezoning of areas in University Park Country Club. It states that your commission is to act on this July 12th. This seems very unfair to have such short notice. Half of our residents are not here in the summer and most will not even have this notice until after the meeting as their mail must be forwarded .

I have received all sorts of e-mails and calls asking what is going on. Why is the developer doing this in the summer?. What is the hurry? The developer has been doing work on B2 for a year why wasn't the zoning change requested in the spring?

Can this hearing be delayed until November when all our foreign and snowbird owners can be present? It would only seem fair.

Your consideration would be appreciated

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beverly Preston". The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Eaton Place Chairman
(A neighborhood within University Park).



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Subject: Fw: Ordinance 12-20 & PDR-89-05 (G) (R-10) -- If This Was Your Intention -- You Succeeded



Ordinance 12-20 & PDR-89-05 (G) (R-10) -- If This Was Your Intention -- You Succeeded

Jim Nellis to: donna.hayes

07/03/2012 10:41 AM

Dear Commissioner:

Just received a two-page (plus map enclosure) memorandum entitled ORDINANCE 12-20 & PDR-89-05(G)(R10) -- UNNAMED EXCLUSIVE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB (a.k.a. UNIVERSITY PARK COUNTRY CLUB) DRI#12 in the mail from Manatee County Planning Commission. After studying the document several times over several days and speaking with numerous neighbors throughout University Park Country Club, I'm contacting you to better understand the intent of this document and the process being followed.

(1) Was this document and attached map designed as an exercise in obfuscation? Or was it designed to so bewilder recipients that the majority will simply throw up their hands in frustration and discard it in the trash? Or is this a test to determine the intelligence of the average Manatee County resident?

Clearly this document was not designed to communicate any information that would provide the average recipient with an understanding of the subject. The prime example is the references to "Tracts L South" and "B2", neither of which are identified on the map provided. Another example is the reference to updating Map P & C, again without the benefit of identification.

(2) Were the Hearing Dates (July 12 and August 2) selected to offer the majority of residents an opportunity to participate in the process? Or, were the Hearing Dates selected so the fewest possible residents could participate?

The scheduling of the Hearings when the majority of University Park Country Club residents are away for the summer suggests the selection was either ill-advised or influenced by the developer. Regardless, these dates will ensure the Planning Commission and the County Commissioners will hear from the fewest possible residents.

(3) Are the notification letter and selected dates for the Hearings designed to reinforce the widely-held belief that developers operating in Manatee County have "bought" elected officials?

These actions have done nothing to dissuade that belief.

I strongly encourage you, other Commissioners and members of the Planning Commission to at the very least issue a memorandum that clearly communicates what these Hearings involve and schedule the Hearings for dates later in the year at which time the majority of residents can participate.

Sincerely,

James M. Nellis
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University Park, FL 34201



To:
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Subject: Fw: Neal's plan



Neal's plan

Bobbie and Bob to: andreart, donna.hayes, jchappie2,
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07/02/2012 09:20 PM

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Please help:

In regard to the Neal expansion, please note the vote will take place when most of our Ascot residents are absent. How is that fair?

The conservation area in U.P. is both part of our charm but also very important to our already shirking wild life. Why should we coincider making that worse? How is that fair?

Please help us receive more information and maps on Neal's plan. What we received isn't very clear.

Thank You,
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Ascot Court U.P.