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Memorandum

To: Anderson County Planning Commission

From: Tyanna Holmes
Date: June 6, 2023
Cc: County Council

Re: June 13, 2023 Regular Commission Meetings

The Anderson County Planning Commission is scheduled to hold its next meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 6:00PM at the Historic Courthouse, located at 101 S Main St, Anderson, SC 29622.

The meeting agenda and packet are attached for your review.

Please email <u>tkholmes@andersoncountysc.org</u> or call 864-260-4720, to inform staff whether or not you will be in attendance. This ensures a quorum prior to arrival. Thank you.

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June 13, 2023 Regularly Scheduled Meeting 6:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - A. March 14, 2023 minutes
 - B. April 11, 2023 minutes
 - C. May 09, 2023 minutes (forthcoming)
- 5. Public Hearings
- 6. Old Business
 - i. Consent Agenda- Cherokee Knoll final plat extension
- 7. New Business
 - A. Preliminary Subdivision: Rock River, located off Highway 29 and Cox. Rd./TMS 173-00-04-025 [Council District 7]
 - i. Staff Report Recommendation
 - ii. Developer Presentation
 - iii. Public Comments
- 8. Public Comments, non-agenda items 3 minutes limit per speaker
- 9. Other Business
- 10. Adjournment

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF ANDERSON)

ANDERSON COUNTY

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

MARCH 14, 2023

PRESENT:

DAN HARVELL, CHAIRMAN
WILL MOORE, VICE CHAIRMAN
JAMES MCCLAIN
BRAD BURDETTE
STEVEN GILREATH
DAVID COTHRAN
JANE JONES
WESLEY GRANT

ALSO PRESENT:
ALESIA HUNTER
HENRY YOUMAN
BRITTANY MCABEE
TIM CARTEE
TYANNA HOLMES
BRADEN BANNISTER
GAYE SPRAGUE

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DAN HARVELL:
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      call the March 14, 2023 meeting of the Anderson County
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      Planning Commission to order. First we'll have the
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      invocation and then the pledge.
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           INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY DAN HARVELL
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                 TOMMY DUNN:
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      I'll call the board's attention to the two months of
      minutes that we have been provided. First, are there any,
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      are there any deletions or corrections to be made to the
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      November 8, 2022 minutes? Do I hear a motion to approve
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      the November 8 minutes?
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                 WILLIAM MOORE:
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      motion to approve, Mr. Chairman.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      approve by the Vice Chairman Will Moore.
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                 WESLEY GRANT:
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      Mr. Grant. Any discussion? All those in favor lift your
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      hand. Unanimous.
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             All right, also the December 13, 2022 minutes.
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      have a motion for passage of those as written?
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      approve, Mr. Chairman.
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      Grant. Do I have a second?
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                 WILLIAM MOORE:
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      Moore. Any discussion? All those in favor? And so
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      passed.
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           All right, first on the agenda for public hearings,
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      Item A land use review Green Pond RV Park, Green Pond Road.
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      And at this time, we will have the staff report and
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      recommendation. Staff.
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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      Chairman. This is Green Pond RV Park. Two hundred forty-
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      five property owners within a 2000 foot radius were
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      notified via postcard. The intended development is an RV
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      park. The applicant is Robert Scott Walsh and the surveyor
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      is Land Planning Associates. The details of the
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      development amended today. This development will consist
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      of 155 spaces, this is down from the original 205 spaces
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      that was provided in the packet, on 23.24 acres. An
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      office, Events Center building, a pool and other
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      miscellaneous amenities will be provided. The RV pads will
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      be approximately 30 by 60 feet. The office building will
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      be approximately 2000 to 6000 square feet. This project
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      could be completed in one to three phases. Lighting will
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      face inward towards the RV park. It's located on Green
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      Pond Road which is county maintained in Council District 5.
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      The surrounding land use is residential and undeveloped.
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It is unzoned. Tax map number is there for your viewing. There is no variance being requested. Traffic impact analysis is that Green Pond Road is classified as a major urban local road with a maximum of 1600 average trips per day.

This is the original layout that was submitted in your packet. And this is the updated layout with the 10 foot buffer to be used for landscaping with a berm. And this is the location. You can see Green Pond Landing in the corner there.

Staff recommends approval. This project has met the requirements in Chapter 24 Land Use. This concludes the staff report.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you, staff. At this time we will ask if the developer would wish to come make a presentation. Please state your name and address

and address.

RICHARD BENNETT: Richard

Bennett. I live at 307 Compass Point, Anderson, South

Carolina. Appreciate everybody's time. We've been working on this for a while. It's been a long thing for us. We started out doing RVing, actually traveling ourselves and

got involved, and taking our kids probably to Clemson games and traveling and seeing all the ones all over the United States. And kind of got involved with it. Kind of fell in love with it and seen how stuff was done. Of course, I'm in a development background. I started with Pendleton, which we did one up there, which we feel is really successful. And it kind of changed with COVID. We realized there's more people when football wasn't -- there was more use for it. So once we got going up there, we started doing more phases. And every time we did a phase, we did a little nicer, little upgrade, and it seemed that people definitely reached out to the campground and lifestyle, you know, having a good time; barbecuing, kids

hanging out by the pools, and you know, keeping their families together. And that's how we grew up, you know, all four of the partners have -- live on Lake Hartwell. Our kids pretty much go to school here, one or two of them I think do not. And we just had a good experience.

When started getting involved with Green Pond Boat

Landing through the poker runs and stuff like that, we saw how good the facility is, and my son bass fishes, how that really changed Anderson and the lake, the Green Pond national attention. And we seen an opportunity there with the sewer coming. So we went there and tried to reach out to build a higher end RV, luxury motor homes, and we expect to sell these from 70 to \$100,000. We of course did some more traveling and went to one we used up in Mountain Falls in the mountains. And they're over a million dollars now

for RV parks, but they started out less. And we want to do something high end compatible with -- we have a camper or campground across from us that's remodeling now. We have a boat ramp there. We feel like it's very contiguous with what's around us. Most of the stuff in the area's been cleaning up for the last year with the sewer coming and a little lake access and through access -- you know, the boat ramp has employees and boat slips and sandy beach. It's a lot to use there. And we're hoping this will work.

We have met with the neighbors a couple of times for a little while. We met again the other night. We have made some concessions. I haven't got them completely happy by no means, but I'm trying to reach out with them and their thoughts and some of the things they wanted. So we added the buffers. We added gated. We added the light facing in. We cut down on the number of units. And hope it's a good fit. And I'll be happy to talk afterwards and address some of the questions, and appreciate y'all considering it. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you. We will reserve the opportunity to call you back if we need to.

RICHARD BENNETT: Thank you,

sir. Yes, sir.

DAN HARVELL: All right, on the citizens sign-up list, first to speak we have John, and I cannot make out the last name. If you will state your name and address when you get to the microphone, please.

JOHN SEGARS: Can I hand in our original petition at this time? Against? 118 signatures so far. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Please.

JOHN SEGARS: Thank you all

for this opportunity to speak. My name is John Segars. I live in the Bridgewater subdivision off of Old Asbury Road, which is about a quarter of a mile from the proposed development. I'm here tonight with others from my community and the neighborhoods on either side of the cove where this development would go. Bridgewater is a neighborhood of about 100 single family homes. It is a close neighborhood where people look out for each other and the surrounding area. Many of us walk, bike, run, dog walk, push baby strollers, and my own wife provides roadside trash pickup.

We're a community of 100 families who work, shop, volunteer, go to the doctor and attend church locally. We eat at local restaurants. We support and attend Anderson County events and of course pay Anderson County taxes.

We take issue with several points in the land use review submitted for this development with the exception of

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the long established Tiger -- Tiger Cove RV. This is a commercial development being forced into an area of single family homes. The application uses the term luxury RV park, when it is in fact nothing more than a parking lot.

It repeatedly tries to connect the development to Green Pond Landing, which it is not a part of. thought that clearing and paving 23 acres of lakeside open land and then the movement and use of over 200 large RVs will not adversely affect the existing area defies all common sense. We asked several Realtors familiar with the area and they have all agree that should this project be completed we will all see a decline in our property values.

We understand that growth can be a positive thing for the county and its citizens; however, cramming in over 200 RV sites into an area poorly equipped to handle it isn't growth; it is gross opposite. Blight.

Again, we are against a purely commercial development being forced into an area of single family homes and we respectfully ask that you deny this proposal. Thank you. DAN HARVELL: Thank you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: Janice Donald. JANICE DONALD: Thank you for

your time. My -- I am Janice Scott Donald and I speak for my family; we also live in the Bridgewater subdivision. DAN HARVELL: Address,

please.

Drive.

JANICE DONALD:

103 Edgewater

DAN HARVELL: Thank you. JANICE DONALD: We have over

100 homes in our community, as John just stated, that need access to Old Asbury for safe drive to work and shopping without the worry of being hit by a bus. Since you put in the boat docks at Green Pond, I have noticed an increase in unsafe conditions. For example, reckless drunk drivers with boats and trucks, burglary in homes and other properties, injured animals, which nobody seems to care about, air quality has decreased, but it will accelerate poor air quality with hundreds of vehicles coming up and down the road. And the reason why my road is so important is because you've got to go through my road to get to the road that -- Green Pond.

Trash -- okay, trash and litter on the road that my community picks up. Okay, damage to the road. I do have a picture here that I'd like to give you, okay, of broken signs that are currently on the road right now, due to the boat traffic that we have coming through. We've got our road sign broken. Our road sign is in the ditch. even have a sign that shows where we are because we've

already got heavy traffic coming through there. That's my point. And now you want to add existing heavy traffic through there. My road sign to Old Asbury is in the ditch, it's laying there. It's been there for weeks now. Okay, so we do not have a road sign.

Now I have seen the so-called executive RV park in Clemson and it looks like a homeless community. Okay, it is an eyesore. It's a disgrace. That's what it is. So I don't, I don't see my property value increasing at all with something as horrific and within walking distance to my home.

Okay, so I want to make some suggestions to the developer. I'm not against him making money. I'm not against him doing what he needs to do, but I just don't want an RV park in my backyard. Some suggestions I have is zone the place for commercial. Get some cabins over there. Give us something we can actually use. Okay, maybe some cabins that can be rented out. We have friends all over that want to come to the lake and enjoy the lake. Okay, give us something we can actually use. Use your facility to sell fishing supplies or food or something. Put cabins up. Boats, rent boats out. Give us something that we can actually use. But what is proposed right now is going to destroy our property value. It's going to destroy the roads that we actually have to use to get to and from home and ---

DAN HARVELL:

That's time.

Thank you. Oh, I failed to mention ---

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

I failed to

mention that citizens comments time is limited to three minutes, so thank you.

All right, next up we have Lauren Black.

LAUREN BLACK: Hello, my name is Lauren Black. I live at 303 Green Pond Road. I do have pictures to share with you at the end if that's okay with y'all.

DAN HARVELL:

Sure.

LAUREN BLACK:

First of all,

thank you for letting me speak tonight. My name is Lauren Black. I live at 303 Green Pond Road. This has been my home on Lake Hartwell for over 26 years. It will be 27 years next month. My house is approximately 1/10 of a mile down from the proposed RV park. This is a neighborhood where full time year round residents live. I am not in favor of the proposed RV park.

Green Pond Road is now a very busy road during the day and night. We have to contend with vehicles speeding, regardless of the speed limit signs we have, heavy traffic and littering from people going to and from the Green Pond

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Landing and Event Center. Our traffic consists of visitors, event participants, workers and others that are driving personal cars or trucks, motorcycles, mopeds, golf carts, and commercial vehicles. We have vehicles pulling boats, campers, trailers, machinery, and other related Green Pond Landing materials. In addition, we have an increased amount of foot traffic. Our county road can barely support all of this now.

My personal well-being and outdoor activities have been greatly impacted by all this activity and traffic on our road. Due to this influx of people, there has been more theft occurring in our neighborhood, both on land and on water. Now with all this traffic, there's added stress to checking my mail in my mailbox, walking my dogs, even cutting my grass alongside the road. There are also times where it's difficult to drive out and in my driveway due to backup traffic going to and from Green Pond Landing and Event Center.

Furthermore, I have to take extra precautions when driving up and down our road. We do not need the proposed RV park on Green Pond Road with this high amount of traffic and congestion presently going on. There is already an RV park in progress, formerly Tiger Cove Campground, that is across our road from the proposed RV park. This is a county road with existing taxpayers that value their properties and road safety. Green Pond Road is not a highway or an extension of a boat ramp.

Again, thank you for letting me express my concerns. I do have pictures of traffic barely passing each other, okay, on our road; boats, campers. Even pulling onto Green Pond Road from Whitehall Road is a challenge. Mailbox damage ---

DAN HARVELL: You can have -- if someone could hand those to the board, we'll pass those down and look at them. Thank you. Okay. Thank

LAUREN BLACK: you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

Next is Dennis

DENNIS BROWN:

Hello, I'm

Dennis Brown at 297 Green Pond Road. My wife and I have lived there for 35 years. My daughter was one month old when we moved there. So it's the only home she's ever known. Her son's seven now. It's the only home he's ever known us to be in. We're about 120 feet from this proposed park. It's right out our door.

Although there are no water facilities on the plan for this RV park, if you've got over 400 people there, there's going to be a number of people there with boats and

they're going to come back up that cove at lunchtime to try to get back to their trailer to have lunch. The bank there, they will have pull into the bank. It's a 10 foot climb up into where the park is going to be. They'll be tearing that up. That cove is very narrow and shallow. It's about a 10 foot wide channel and then the rest of it is about three foot deep. That's at full pull. Most of the year the dock across -- directly across from this RV park sits right in the mud. Anybody that comes in and pulls their boat into the bank to park is going to block the whole channel for anybody else. So it's a very hazardous condition, very crowded condition and plus the running in and out of there, it tears up all the docks that are already in there.

The application for this park calls it a major urban local road. One out of three ain't bad. It is a local road. It certainly is not major. It is not urban. It was a dead end road down to a single boat ramp. Now it's a thoroughfare for the traffic to the Event Center, but it still has not been improved. It's a very narrow, crooked road. It can't handle that much traffic.

The designation allows 1600 trips a day. That's -- everything that goes in has to come back out, so that's 800 vehicles a day basically. And that's not bad. It comes down to about one a minute if you average it out. Unfortunately as Edward Deming famously said, randomness comes in bunches. And our bunches are on weekends and during tournaments. And it's a way higher volume than that.

This is a single family residential area. The Event Center came after we made this our home. And we have endured the increase in traffic, litter and pedestrians and noise for the, for the benefit of Anderson County. It is a nice Event Center. It brings in a lot of, a lot of money, a lot of revenue, a lot of national coverage.

This RV park, though, would up the ante on our detriments as far as the trash and traffic and foot traffic back and forth. It would benefit no one but the developer, not the residents nor the county. The application says keep the RV park concept ---

DAN HARVELL:

Time. Thank

you, sir.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

Andrea Brown.

Andrea Brown.

ANDREA BROWN:

I have some

handouts for y'all if someone could please give them to you. I'm Andrea Brown, 297 Green Pond Road. Shall I go ahead and start?

DAN HARVELL:

Yes, please.

ANDREA BROWN: Page one on the handout shows the three ways to access the two entrances on Green Pond Road. Because of the density of Green Pond Road and given that this compound will consume three tenths of half a mile and the already approved Tiger Cove consuming the remaining diagonally across the road, it's obvious this road cannot sustain the volume and size these compounds will bring. It would be a safety issue, a visual nightmare and a colossal traffic issue for our county and the Event Center.

Page two shows in 2022 Anderson County Green Pond tournaments averaged 11,000 boat and trailer trips, approximately 40 trips for large vendor trucks, spectator vehicles at 34,000. Keeping in mind these are totals. In one day traffic volume can reach 4000 trips to and from, backing up traffic to Whitehall Road. This does not include other events, our Anderson County area residents and extended counties who have already endured this inconvenience in order to enjoy the lake and Event Center.

RVs range from eight to eight and a half feet wide, 20 to 45 feet long and weighing 13 to 30,000 pounds. These RV giants make maneuverability next to impossible. In addition, some will be pulling tow vehicles.

To the right on page three will be an ingress or egress for this proposed RV compound. As you can see, it will be in direct competition with our angler, spectator traffic and local traffic. To the left is the first entrance from Whitehall to Snowden which is 15 feet wide. From this entry, the proposed RV compound will be competing with the Tiger Cove ingress and egress and it will cross Green Pond Road to or from the RV compound. This location is where the last boat in the picture is, Snowden on the left, as well as Tiger Cove. In addition the other ingress and egress is within the curve. All of this within point three tenths of the half a mile road. Both compounds combined will contain over 1500 transients.

On page four the second axis is a hard ride at 156 degrees. It is not possible for an RV. The third access point comes from the White Hall and 187 traffic circle. In addition, these last two access points are in direct line with the Grace Memorial Church parking lot on page five.

Page six. The mass scraped land on the left is Tiger Cove. To the right is the proposed compound. Please take a moment and imagine how the addition of these two compounds and 400 plus RVs flanking the entire road will look leading to the Event Center.

DAN HARVELL:

you.

ANDREA BROWN: May I say ---

Time.

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APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: Kevin Brennan.

Kevin Brennan.

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KEVIN BRENNAN: Thank you.

Kevin Brennan, 300 Huntington Road, Anderson. Thank you very much for the opportunity to speak with you tonight. I live directly across the narrow cove from the subject property and have many of the same concerns that were voiced already tonight.

We purchased our property specifically because of the quiet residential nature of this area. We are especially concerned with the impact on wildlife and the environment. I am a 1991 graduate of the College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse. I've also been an avid nature photographer for almost 40 years, particularly birds. The lack of green space, trees and buffering will severely impact this important habitat. This is the last green space left on Green Pond Road. I've documented hundreds of birds in the channel including more than 25 protected migratory birds on the US migratory bird list, several of them spotted on the subject property. Bald eagles are a South Carolina endangered species. I've observed many adult nesting pairs and juveniles in the area and have dozens of pictures of them in this cove. eagle was photographed standing on the subject property hunting, and then just moments later, flying about 10 feet in front of the trees that are going to be removed as part of this project.

Speaking in the fall of 2021 -- and I'll offer these to commission at the end -- speaking in the fall of 2021 with the US Army Corps, I learned that bald eagles have been reduced in recent times on Lake Hartwell, but are now just making a comeback. This was confirmed a few weeks ago by the Corps district wildlife biologist after conducting their annual count. I hold in my hand now the US Army Corps of Engineer Shoreline Management Plan, a section on bald eagles. I read from it right now speaking of nesting sites, a proximity of good perching trees may also be a factor in site selection. Excessive human activity in this area can render a site useless. This is the current Tiger Cove condition. Much of this is true for any of the large migratory birds I've seen and photographed on the property or within 20 feet of the wetland area, relatively rare birds in this protected group that I've documented and/or photographed on the property on Lake Shore; green Herons, white egrets, white ibis, which are very unusual for this area, northern Harriers, osprey, and several others. And there's numerous other animals here that I've got photographed on the property. Other animals, as I mentioned, have been there as well.

Lastly, I've got the South Carolina Department of

Natural Resources report on this property, and one thing it mentions is a US endangered species within the buffer zone, it's a rosy side dace that resides within the buffer zone, required buffer zone for US endangered species.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: If I might add, we have a lot of people to speak and if you could hold your applause down. We understand emotion. But if you can hold your applause it'll help us move on faster. Thank you very much.

All right, the next speaker will be Linda Stumberg.

LINDA STUMBERG: Good evening,
my name is Linda Stumberg and I'm at 113 Dugout Cove Road,
Anderson. I'm in District 5. And tonight I'm speaking on
behalf of Lake Hartwell Association and their opposition to
the park.

Regarding the land use review form answers from the developer. Number one, Tiger Cove RV park is not really across the street. Across the street and approaching on the same side of the proposed Park is primarily residential.

Number two, the proposed RV park will adversely affect existing use or usability of nearby property. How can a site for 155 vehicles not have an impact? How has the developer justified the answer that it will not.

Number three, counter, to how the developer answered the proposed use of the RV park will cause an excessive or burdensome use of public facilities like streets, water department, fire department, etcetera. How can 155 RVs not cause a burden on the roads and the surrounding -- and for the surrounding residents? How can the density of 155 RVs not cause a burden on local fire departments, departments that are voluntary? The traffic engineer will state that there is no significant incremental volume to warrant a traffic impact study. But traffic is more than just volume. Having a Planning Commission driven -- has the Planning Commission driven the road? Even though the potential volume may not pass the threshold for a traffic study, the incremental volume could be a very real issue on this relatively small road that is not significantly sized -- not sufficiently sized for large RVs. And now add to that the current volume associated with revenue that -excuse me -- associated with the venue and the size -- of the size of Green Pond. This is a plan for success -- is this a plan for success for either the development or the county -- the developer or the county? What makes this RV park a luxury? And how does that make it better against the adverse impacts of traffic, water, fire, runoff and wildlife?

Despite working through the cursory reviews and approvals through DHEC, common sense indicates that the proposed RV park will present a stress on the lake due to runoff and its impact on wildlife. There's a small creek on the property that is part of Lake Hartwell's watershed, and the stress will be -- and the stress will be for a site that the users cannot have real significant access to the lake. Is Anderson County really making the best use of this property directly adjacent to the lake? Lake Hartwell is a significant draw to this area for residential growth, as well as tourism. Is this proposed RV park really something that will assure care of our lake resource.

Last but not insignificant, although this is an unzoned area, this proposed RV park is directly against the county approved comprehensive plan land use maps future use.

DAN HARVELL:

Time. Thank

you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: All right. I might mention, those standing in the back, there are plenty of seats right up here on the front if you'd like to come on up so that you don't have to stand.

All right, the next speaker will be Holly Williams.

HOLLY WILLIAMS: Good evening.

I'm Holly Williams at 207 Edgewater Drive. After speaking with camping RV owner and fire department, I am here to address fire safety concerns regarding the 150 Green Pond RV Park.

As you are aware, May 2018, 16 boats were destroyed at Portman Marina due to a generator that caught fire on one of the boats. Sixteen boats disappeared that day because of how close they were to one another. RVs are made with treated wood, studs and have wooden floor joists. RVs have the potential in being consumed by fire in 10 minutes or less and if the fire is due to a propane explosion, a fire can be easily spread to other RVs. And not unlike Portman Marina boats, RVs are parked close to one another leading to many being destroyed quickly. Generators, propane stoves, tanks can cause fires. But a leading fire starter in RV parks is the cutting corners and putting in faulty electrical systems or systems that are not equipped to handle high voltage appliances. And in this new age of electrical vehicles, parks are going to have to have charging stations, which not only can cause fires, but can also affect our power grid. And if each RV slab has a fire pit, who cleans 150 fire pits and where and how are the ashes disposed.

Center Rock Fire Department would be the department that would come out to attend to the RV fire and their

response time is anywhere from five to 10 minutes, which is wonderful. But an RV can be destroyed in 10 minutes and sparks could be causing havoc on other RVs.

What we have to be strongly aware of is that during the early morning and early evening hours of Green Pond fishing tournaments is that a fire truck trying to get down the narrow Green Pond Road will be significantly delayed due to the high volume of fishing traffic. This delay could lead to the potential loss of more than just a few RVs. But the homes in the area would be in danger. Thank you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Next is Larry Fait? I believe I have that last name correct.

LARRY FATT:

No,

unfortunately, it's the other way. It's Fatt. But I appreciate it. Thank you, sir.

Could I ask by any chance if we'd be able to put the photo of the -- one of the photos of the site, site plan up -- back up? Is that possible just as a reference?

DAN HARVELL:

Can we do

that?

LARRY FATT:

I don't care

which one you put up. That one's fine.

So again, my name is Larry Fatt. I live at 304 Huntington Road with my wife Dana. Our property is directly across from the lower left corner of this site plan that we're looking at. And what I want to touch on here is that on the upper right, that's 760 feet of elevation. We know Lake Hartwell is 660. So a hundred foot slope, 70 feet of that is made up within the 24 acres that we see here. Seventy feet, five stories, five stories of mass grading are going to be required to be able to set this RV park as it's planned. So significant mass movement of soil, of earth. We have, we have a very genuine environmental concern with regards to such an extreme requirement.

Following on from that, how does the stormwater retention pond factor into this? We believe it to be approximately one acre in size, rough calculation. And unfortunately, at this point in time, we're not able to see that. The development is essentially surrounding single family homes on all sides. As a 24 acre parking lot, the visual impact alone of this, and certainly for myself being directly across from it and looking right up through there, is going to have a direct negative impact on the property values of the nearby residents. There are already 638 approved RV sites within eight miles of Green Pond; 638 already approved.

What we really see here is we're not opposed to an RV park. But RV parks tend to be better suited for level, flat ground. We're not opposed to development of this area. But it is not level, it is not flat. We feel as though we're trying to fit a square peg in a round hole. We're trying to match up something with a site that doesn't necessarily fit in very well. We've heard about the safety concerns on the water and on the road. On the water in particular I have a, I have a very special interest there because as we put more boats in the back of a shared shallow narrow cove, we're going to have a place where water, people and boat traffic are all going to come together and that never ends well. And that is going to happen as a result of this going into that area. It's going to happen.

We talk about the negative financial impact of this,

We talk about the negative financial impact of this, all that adds up, including the environmental portion, to a direct impact on the quality of life for the nearby residents. It'll be devastating to have this and looking right at this from our homes. We are not adverse to a development; however, as a community of conscientious, taxpaying residents within the Green Pond Landing community, we are opposed to this development as we feel it does not add value to this area. It removes that value.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you,

sir.

LARRY FATT:

Thank you very

much.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

Edward

Kessinger.

EDWARD KESSINGER:

Be right

there. Okay. I'm not as outgoing as some of my neighbors, but I'm glad to see the turnout that my neighbors ---

DAN HARVELL: Sir, if you'll

state for the record your name and address.

EDWARD KESSINGER: I'm at 201

Green Pond Road, Anderson. I'm right there at the first -- I've got property to the stop sign and back to my driveway.

Now behind this property that they're talking about my driveway goes down that hill. Water runs down there, floods across my driveway actually and goes into a creek. The creek is the borderline of this property. It goes all the way into the lake right there. I'm on the lake. I have a boat dock in place.

Anyways, my complaints are like this other man said, the property comes down in the back. The only thing they could put there was a road, otherwise they'd have to tie off all the way down through there.

I just want to complain about one little thing. When

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I'm mowing on my zero turn out there by the road, I'm picking up beer cans, beer bottles, water bottles, you name it. For me, it's a little hard to get on and off of this zero turn to began with. But I've got -- I pick it up. And oh, Lord, my memory don't work like it used to, but I'm thinking that getting out of my driveway sometime is an all day chore on the weekends after a tournament or something.

That's about all I've got to say. I just -- I'm not happy about it -- this being here, because I think South Carolina's got enough parks. My opinion.

> DAN HARVELL: EDWARD KESSINGER:

Thank you. Thank you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: NEAL MCGRATH: Neal McGrath. Good evening.

My name is Neal McGrath. I live at 336 Huntington Road. I'm directly across the cove from Green Pond Road. I've lived there for 20 years now. And I guess what I really want to say is that the issues and concerns that have been raised by my neighbors, they're real issues. We know this because they're similar to the same issues that were created as a result of the expansion of Green Pond Landing.

Now, don't get me wrong, I didn't speak out against Green Pond Landing because it was something that Anderson County, Lake Hartwell, needed. It creates a lot of economic benefit for the county. It brings a lot of positive recognition to Anderson County and Lake Hartwell. Unfortunately, you can't say the same thing about this development. It's just -- the benefits just aren't there. Let me give you some examples, real life examples of the kinds of issues that we're talking about.

Before the expansion of Green Pond Landing, my family and I, we used to go down to the dock, camp out on the dock and watch the meteor showers. Well, we can't do that now because of all the light pollution. If this development gets lit up, we'll be lucky to even see the stars. We don't even attempt to go down to the dock on weekend afternoons because of all the increase of boat traffic. It's a narrow cove. It's a narrow cove. The residents along the cove treat it as a no wake zone. Visitors to Lake Hartwell do not. This project is going to create significant additional boat traffic, particularly boat traffic going down to the end of the cove.

On weekends, it's almost impossible to sleep in most weekends. Beginning at 6 a.m. you've got trucks hauling boats to the Event Center. At 7:00 you've got 100 boats, all leaving full throttle to start the tournament. And then they're zooming up and down the cove all day after that.

Now we're talking about 40 foot diesel motor homes

adding to the noise that already exists. I guess what I'm trying to say and I think you've heard several times tonight is that the residents around Green Pond have already sacrificed a great deal in the name of economic development. I ask that you please not further deteriorate the lake life that we thought we were getting when we bought residential property on the lake.

Thank you for your time and attention. Please take these issues seriously. They're real issues. They affect real people.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL:

All right.

Next is Sally Boggs. Sally Boggs.

SALLY BOGGS:

Sally Boggs,

295 Green Pond Road. Our property directly adjoins the property for this proposed campground. Our family has owned this property since the 1960s, about the time the lake backed up. Through the years our extended family has gathered to enjoy the lake, learn to swim, boating and reconnecting. The neighborhood has for all these years been a quiet, peaceful setting in which we enjoyed our homes on the shores of Lake Hartwell. We currently have a multi site campground being enlarged right across the street from our property with all the sights, sounds, traffic and lights that will be coming, which you guys have already approved in 2022.

The proposed campground that we're talking about now will be right next to our house. I'm seriously concerned about the noise, congestion and safety issues that will be coming to us and the rest of the neighborhood. I do not see plans -- I don't see on the plan where the septic or the system is located or plans for catching the runoff. But it will most surely affect our property as we're downhill from the property in question. We already get the rain runoff cutting through the middle of our property, so we wonder what next.

I do not see plans for any substantial buffer around this campground to help maintain our peace, quiet and privacy. I'm against yet another campground in our neighborhood. I worry that this campground could possibly turn into a residential campground if the developers' monetary plans don't work out and they resort to letting folks live there permanently, then what kind of a clientele does this encourage? Not ones that I think would contribute to our neighborhood. This is a lovely neighborhood that people using the Green Pond Landing and Event Center see when they're coming and going, both Anderson County residents and visitors.

My family and I are not opposed to the landowner

being able to develop his property and get a return on his investment. But it needs to be something that would enhance our neighborhood rather than decrease our property values and detract from this peaceful area that we enjoy a lot. Thank you.

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Thank you.

Mr. Billy Boggs.

BILLY BOGGS:

Thank you. My

name is Billy Boggs and our address is 295 Green Pond Road and our property directly connects to the property in question. Most of everything I was going to say tonight has already been covered, and in the essence of time I'm going to cut to my last little paragraph here.

It is my understanding that this is going to be a gated HOA where a slab of concrete is sold for a substantial amount of money to a -- to park high end campers on. The developer seems to have been successful with this idea in the Pendleton/Clemson area catering to the Clemson sports fans. My biggest concern is that if this idea does not work out for that -- for this developer and things have to come to a stop what will we be left with? Thank you very much.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

APPLAUSE

DAN HARVELL: McCurry.

Robert

DODEDE MOGIE

ROBERT MCCURRY:

My name is

Robert McCurry on St. Clair Road across the street in Huntington subdivision. Like Mr. Boggs said, over time, you know, these parks get started out they have a lot of insight and they think they got it going on, but then about five or 10 years down the road you have a lot of tents stuck up with awnings sticking out and everything else. But when you've got 150 units that's already going to be across the street and then the 220 here, you're going to be looking at -- when it's at full capacity six hundred, say 700 people, that's out and about bothering these neighbors that are going to be down the street walking. And you're going to have to -- they're going to have to deal with that. Their animals are going to have to deal with it. It's been touched on about the bald eagle. I've got several pictures of it flying over my house. So yeah, we definitely do have a bald Eagle out there.

Reasonable balance for public health and safety and morality, I don't agree with that. When at its peak all those people, minimum and the parking that comes with those extra cars isn't listed on there. All you have is the slots for the RVs. There's no -- probably one acre retaining pond that's going to have to be made there,

according to the water runoff standards. So there's no way 2 the design they have now will work. But one thing for 3 sure, the retaining pond itself concerning Mr. Boggs, it's 4 going to be at the lowest part of the property, it's going 5 to butt right up to his property. And when it's got full 6 of stagnant water, we know what all comes with that; 7 mosquitoes and everything else. 8 So please take all these into your consideration and 9

turn this down. We don't need this in our community. Thank you.

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DAN HARVELL:

Jeremy

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JEREMY DUCKETT:

Ladies and gentlemen, my name is Jeremy Duckett, and I'm on 1 Axman Drive. I'm approximately 3.2 miles away from Green Pond Event Center. My concerns with the project is water runoff, noise pollution and light pollution. In no way does the drawing have -- that's up on the board or up on the screen reflect anything on water runoff.

As far as entertainment, there's only a pool that's supposed to support that many RVs. And the light pollution and noise pollution is going to affect that directly -- is going to directly affect the surrounding neighborhood, along with the neighborhood across the cove in the Huntington subdivision.

If there's a lack of oversight, the place will be trashed, along with, along with Green Pond Road. It comes with increased crime and support for medical needs. sheriff's department can only do so much for noise pollution; they'd have to come tell you to turn it down.

That's a busy road already, Green Pond Road. If you've ever took a boat down it, it's a tight road. It's actually poorly maintained by the county, along with much of our county roads. Along with RVs going down it, it's just going to do nothing but cause more damage. Green Pond is already used as a place to meet up for drugs and other illicit activities. I feel this will be another one of those places. According to the drawing, it looks nothing -- you can use the word luxury. It looks like nothing more than a glorified trailer park. It's going to cause our land values to go down.

I urge and encourage the Planning and Development Department to get behind the current projects we currently have going on on Lake Hartwell, such as the Shores of Asbury and Big Water Marina. Thank you for your time. DAN HARVELL: Thank you.

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DAN HARVELL: CLIFF BOWMAN: Cliff Bowman. Clifford

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RICHARD BENNETT:

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Bowman, I live at 305 Compass Point. One thing that I run
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      into on a regular basis in my business is there's a lot of
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      activity on Lake Hartwell where we have people coming for
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      the tournaments for fishing. And Green Pond has definitely
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      been a big magnet to big tournaments. It's a magnet to
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      international tournaments. The biggest thing we see is it
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      don't appear there's enough dwellings and housing for those
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      people when they do come. And this campground, which I'm
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      sure a lot of people, I can understand their frustrations,
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      but I think it would help house those people when they come
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      in here for the tournaments.
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           But anyhow, I would just encourage you to consider
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      approving it because of that. Thank you.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      All right, that is the last -- that was the last person
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      that signed up to speak to this matter. At this time, I'll
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      ask the board if you have any questions of the developer or
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      the staff.
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                 JANE JONES:
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      have a question for the developer. What do you have in
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      mind for management? I know you have a pool and ---
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      this is our second one. We start out, we have onsite
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      management. I actually had the town of Pendleton --
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      actually had somebody come from the town of Pendleton to
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      speak on behalf of it, how good success we've had. You
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      know, we started out with a learning curve. We're a lot
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      better than we were. We have our onsite -- we have
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      restrictive covenants, which I think a lot of people don't
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      realize, you know, in Green Pond it's not -- it's not
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      restricted. They have a restaurant, they have a bar, or
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      did have it. I think they put one back. This is gonna be
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      restricted property with an HOA. And just like any
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      neighborhood like that has restricted covenants, you know,
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      you get the right to keep it up, to maintain it. We have
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      onsite staff ---
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                 JANE JONES:
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      wanted to know if you had anybody onsite?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      yes, ma'am. We should have onsite staff.
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      have somebody living there even all the time.
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                 JANE JONES:
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      determined the maximum length of stay, or is this just, you
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      these are to be sold, so most of these people will probably
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      come and go on the weekends. We sometimes ---
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                 JANE JONES:
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                 JANE JONES:
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      question. I understand that at this point in time you
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      don't have to have a water runoff plan or anything like
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      that. You don't have to have that stuff done. But what is
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      your plan for the sewer?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      think is one thing that happen with Green Pond. I
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      personally think Anderson county has done a great job with
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      the ---
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                 JANE JONES:
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      tell what your plan is that a sewer?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      going to hook to the sewer, county sewer, and they have a
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      stormwater plan, DHEC, as well as a fire marshal, all would
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      have to sign off on everything I did and we'd have to meet
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      their standards.
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                 JANE JONES:
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      have public sewer there?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      yes, ma'am. Yes, sir. No problem, sir.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      waiting for the permits for the sewer and the water and
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      everything, I'd just -- in terms of the Corps of Engineers,
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      I was just curious about, are you having to get any sort
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      of, sort of authorization from the Corps about any ---
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      the Corps about it, they actually have encouraged it. They
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      have shut down for lack of funding a lot of RV camps all
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      over the lake, there was a lot, lot more, and there's less
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      and less. And their campgrounds are older, and they're not
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      -- they don't have sewer. They have to pump them out. You
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      have to take your honey wagon up there, whatever, and
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      they're limited. And they actually think there's a need
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      for it. Some of the public, you know, they can't buy a
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      million dollar house, it gives them a chance to use Lake
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      Hartwell. You know, Lake Hartwell is a public lake. And
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      you know, whether some people moved here or not that say,
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      we don't want nobody else to use it; it's our cove. Don't
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      use this. You know, everybody can use Lake Hartwell.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      ask about the center; there's this sort of interesting
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      looking dashed line towards the bottom of this plot map,
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      and I just didn't know if that was supposed to represent
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      like the Corps line. And if so it looked like some of the
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      little plots were past the Corps line.
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      is actually the bottom line.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      line, okay.
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RICHARD BENNETT:
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      just kind of had a line there to set it because we're going
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      to do some grading. And then after the Corps, you've got a
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      natural buffer because the Corps owns from there. So them
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      trees are protected by the Corps rules just like you would
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      on somebody else's house; they have limits on what they can
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      cut and not cut and limb up so on and so forth. So we have
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      a buffer between the Corps and the Corps between the lake.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      last question is for staff. It says it was unzoned \operatorname{\mathsf{--}} for
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      zoning, but in terms of the -- I heard somebody mention
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      earlier the land use map. So what actually is the
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      designation for this on the land -- future land use map?
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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      unzoned, we don't really use that future land use map as
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      previously discussed. That future land use map usually
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      comes into play when we're doing rezoning. So in this
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      case, this is a land use review, not necessarily a
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      rezoning, so that future land use map isn't part of this
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      presentation.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      unzoned?
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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      yes.
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      to say there is some positives. There's probably $300,000
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      in property taxes that'll be paid on this, people not going
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      to school, you know, it's not -- they contribute to the
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      schools. They don't have more -- kids going to school, use
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      it out. You know, we talked about putting houses there,
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      which is the same number of cars. You could put 75 houses,
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      give or take there, which would be, you know, 300 -- 150
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      cars, more trips a day probably and then they would use
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      your schools, which you do a subdivision, they impact our
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      schools. This one doesn't impact schools but pays in a lot
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      of money to the schools as well as the fire department and
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      other things. So there's approximately $300,000 tax
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      liability that this would have. Any other questions?
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      elaborate, Mr. Bennett, once more on the amenities?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      we want to work with the boat ramp. We feel like they have
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      a place to have stages and events there. We want to work
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      with that. We'll also have a pool. We'll have a
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      clubhouse. And like an event center so you can have a
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                       You'll have an office with somebody onsite
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      and you'll also have where you can rent out -- not rent out
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      -- use it to have your private event and it'll have a
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      clubhouse, pool, laundry and a little picnic area down by
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      the lake. Stuff like that.
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DAN HARVELL:
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      building, the building we see here that is adjacent to the
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      pool and the parking lot in front of it looks relatively
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      small compared to one RV parking space. Is that building
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      supposed to be that small?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      parking spaces are 60 foot or so. That building is, you
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      know, two story, so you've got the bottom side to go out to
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      the pool and the top side you come in. So it should be
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      anywhere from I'd say in a 4000 to 4800 square foot.
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      And that changes when architects may squeeze something in
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      and maybe a little bigger, a little smaller. But it's two
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      stories how it's set up. So you have a pool area to sit
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      down there with a deck overlooking the pool. And the top
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      if you want to have a community -- so if you want to have
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      an event here and bring your people and have, you know, a
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      little party or staff or something and they're looking over
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      the pool. And then, of course, they'll have a boat ramp as
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      well to -- the plays and stuff. They do more than just
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      fish down. There's a lot going on at that boat ramp.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      retention pond is ---
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      pond would have to be put in, a water quality pond.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      here on this plan?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      probably -- my engineer I met with today said it would be
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      on the far right side not far left side. And it's a water
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      quality because of the lake water. It'll end up in the
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      lake, so it'll be -- it don't have as much retention but to
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      keep the mud and stuff out of the lake, we'll have to put a
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      retention pond in. We'll have to meet all DHEC rules, all
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      fire rules, county, DHEC, as well as state. We'll have to
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      meet all these rules, just like any other subdivision that
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      would have to go there.
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           Like I said, if we did housing, if I switched to
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      housing, we'd have to meet the same rules. There won't be
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      any more negative impact on the lake would be -- runoff
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      with housing than there would be RVs.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      questions for Mr. Bennett?
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                 DAVID COTHRAN:
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      the residents, you were saying?
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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                 DAVID COTHRAN:
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      concessions made in terms of the -- because we've heard
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      different numbers ---
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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out like 205, which is, I think a fact in writing, we threw a number of 200 to 220 in writing. We met with the residents, we've kind of been back and forth, meeting with ones and showing them. Last night we met and some of the concerns and I think they have some -- I actually built the property across the street, when I built that, people that owned a house there, these people on this side of the cove were fussing at me about grading that property. Wanting to look at their red dirt in their house. They were gonna do -- they didn't know what a house was gonna be. They've got the same -- because they're concerned, they don't know what's there. So I asked them what were their concerns, would they want other stuff -- you know, nobody said we want houses -- a lot of different options. But we came up with cutting the number down from 205 to 155. We put a buffer 10 foot around the whole three sides and then Corp on the backside, and we could do a wooden fence and trees in front of it or earth berm. We gated both entranceways, so you should be able to -- when you're driving out should be pretty secure. Because we're also a little sensitive to what's around us. There's people living in a Lowe's camper -- I mean Lowe's thing with a window unit in it. We've got Christmas lights up across street currently. You know, we're trying to improve the property value.

DAVID COTHRAN:

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about the lighting, too. Did you ---

RICHARD BENNETT: Yeah, I also agreed to put the lighting facing inwards so not to have the negative impact. And it's something that can attest in the county, I think they even have rules for that now. In other towns they do when developing there. And again the Corps is the side of the lake stuff. You know, we're not wanting to put a bunch of boat docks there. We're just trying to make something nice for people to bring their family, go camping, have a good time. And we expect these campers to be kind of consistently -- well, these lots are higher quality. We sold them at Clemson, the executive section, which is the higher end, which is the last thing we did, our last one sold for \$80,000. These we expect to sell for more than that. Which should give you about three times that value for a motor home, 300 plus \$1000 motor home, which again, I'll pay 6% taxes and I get no discounts. And you know, that helps pay for fire department, potholes, you know, all the things that we all want, you know, that has to be paid for. So it does have some pros.

DAN HARVELL:

does this map show the 205 or the 155 --
RICHARD BENNETT:

That is the
155, sir. I modified that today and I put the buffer in

there today. And I wanted to do that and put it up here so you could hold me to that. That way we have a drawing that shows the buffer, shows how many spots, shows the gates. And that way -- not just saying we're gonna change it, there's kind of an exhibit or whatever, so we know what we're all agreeing to.

DAN HARVELL:

questions for the developer? Well, --- Sir?

MALE:

(Inaudible.)

DAN HARVELL:

response to it. You on behalf of everyone, okay?

MALE:

So what we're

looking at here, that was sent to us -- I'm sorry. What we're looking at was sent to us at about 4:00 today. So this is something that was relatively new to the community. Our exceptions, what we've heard today, hasn't really changed. Yes, this is not as dense, but it's still something that we have the same concerns about. We appreciate what Rich has done to try to help come to some better solution. But we're not there yet. And I just want to make sure that it's not seen that this is something that we've already bought into, because it is not.

RICHARD BENNETT: That's

correct. So we met last night and ---

APPLAUSE

RICHARD BENNETT: Sorry, I guess lack of respect. We met with him last night, we had a good meeting and they had some concerns. I couldn't address all of them, but we did try to reach out and put the buffer between them. The lady beside me is a VRBO house, I mean and they rent it out every day. It's not a permanent residence. There's a little house around it, there's a lot of campers and stuff across street. We're trying to do the right thing, do something to improve the neighborhood; good stuff, high quality, 2 million -- \$10 million with a total property value. You know, it's consistent with what's around it. Directly across the street is another RV park. It has sewer. It has use of the boat ramp which the county has spent millions of dollars building this boat ramp and it does lack some housing. This gives us some other amenities to support that boat ramp. And I think in the end they'll be real happy with it.

JANE JONES:

You've made reference to the type of RVs that'll be there, but there's really no control of -- I mean, people will bring in whatever they've got and pay the fee and ---

RICHARD BENNETT: So we reserve the right -- we don't have an age because people have got into restoring some of the older ones. But we don't allow anything -- we have restrictive covenants and we don't

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allow anything that's not kept up and nice.
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      about it being kept up and nice than ---
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                 JANE JONES:
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      saying you're gonna inspect them as they come in and ---
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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      2010 million dollar motor home or two million, we pretty
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      much know. But when it's older one, we say, hey, you've
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      got to send us a picture or something before we allow it.
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      So if it's older but kept up and restored, we considered
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      it. But we do have that right. Thank you.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      the board? All right.
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                 SANDRA CAMPBELL:
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      Corps of Engineers. I was just going to provide you some
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      information.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      right, please. Thank you. I'm sorry.
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                 SANDRA CAMPBELL:
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      Sandra Campbell. I'm with the US Army Corps of Engineers.
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      I'm the Natural Resource Program Manager for the Shoreline
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      Program around the lake. I'm not here to speak in, in
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      opposition or support of the development. I just want to
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      speak to what can and cannot be done on public land
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      adjacent to this development.
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            So the shoreline zoning is limited development, which
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      means it would qualify for a boat dock permit, but it would
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      size dock, which is 1120 square feet. They would be
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      allowed to underbrush 100 feet of shoreline. Nothing more.
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      They cannot clear cut. They can only take out limited
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      trees that are in the area. So they would have literally
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      -- basically the same privileges as an adjacent property
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      owner around the lake, but they would not have expanded
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      facilities, just one dock. So to support a development
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      like that, it would be one dock. That's all they would
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      qualify for. I'll be glad to take any questions you might
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      have.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      have a question here? All right, thank you very much for
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      coming up.
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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      may staff address a traffic issue?
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
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      have been dramatic. Excuse me. Mr. Chairman -- thank you,
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      Brittany. As was stated earlier, this development does not
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      meet the threshold for doing a detailed traffic study. But
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      in preparing to answer any questions y'all might have, I
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did notice that we do have a daily traffic count on Green
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      Pond Road. And the traffic generated by this development
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      much, but it would put us over that. The intersection of
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      Whitehall, Old Asbury and Green Pond is in the ANATS plan
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      for realignment and signalization, but not scheduled before
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      Pond widening. So that is all to say our request of you is
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      that if there is a motion to approve this, that you include
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      that they would dedicate the right-of-way necessary to
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      be the developer's right-of-way; correct?
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
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      frontage that they would dedicate enough property for that.
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                 RICHARD BENNETT:
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      Sprague.
                Thank you. Anything else from staff?
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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            All right, at this time, I will entertain a motion
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      for or against this project.
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                 WILLIAM MOORE:
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      my name is Will Moore, District 4. I would like to make a
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      motion for approval. I feel like it's conducive to the
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      area and also includes the right of way for the developer
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      to widen that part of the road, which is their road.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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               Do I have a second for approval?
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                 BRAD BURDETTE:
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      second from Mr. Burdette. Discussion amongst the board?
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      No discussion? At this time I'll call for a vote. All
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      those in favor of approving, please raise your hand. All
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      those in favor of denial, raise your hand. That would be
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      -- let's record the votes here. For, Mr. McClain, Mr.
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      Burnett, Mr. Gilreath, Mr. Moore, Mr. Cothran, Mr. Grant.
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      And opposed, Ms. Jones and myself.
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            Now we'll go on to the next item on the agenda, the
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      Elrod Road RV Park.
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            We will have a slight recess until Ms. Hunter, the
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      head of the department, gets back.
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      meeting back to order; out of recess.
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            Item B on the agenda. Staff report.
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
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                 This is Elrod Road RV Park. 101 property owners
      Chairman.
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within a 2000 foot radius were notified via postcard. The intended development is an RV park. The applicant is Joe Bryant which is a professional engineer. The surveyor engineer is Roth Professional Solutions. Proposed development is the use of the property to develop an RV campground with 41 RV sites, each site containing a 12 foot by 45 foot concrete pad. This project includes water, sewer installation, as well as general earthwork and grading to accomplish site drainage. Total disturbed area for all phases is estimated to be 4.81 acres. It's located off of Elrod Road, which is county maintained, in Council District 6. Surrounding land use is residential and undeveloped. It is unzoned. They are not requesting a variance. Elrod Road is classified as a collector road with no average vehicle trips per day.

Here is the site plan. And the aerial view of the property with its location on Elrod Road and I-85 behind it.

Staff does recommend approval. This project has met the requirements in Chapter 24 Land Use. This concludes the staff report.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you. At this time, we will ask the developer or owner to make a presentation.

BRIAN REID: Thank you. My name is Brian Reid. I'm the owner of Almani, LLC, which is the property owner. I also own RV Rest Area which is the operating entity looking to establish its operations here.

I want to put this entire project into context. We conceived this project during a 2020 trip across the country. My wife, my kids, we took an RV 13,000 miles, seven weeks. It was an incredible trip. Kind of life affirming to a certain extent. But we had one critical pain point, that being that most RV parks are difficult to get to. It's not uncommon for an RV park to be situated an hour or more off of the interstates. When you're traveling from point A to point B, you have to add additional driving time.

Additionally, RV parks are not necessarily for everyone. Meaning they don't accommodate every RV that comes in. There are some RV parks that don't allow large RVs. There are some RV parks that don't allow small RVs. There are some that don't allow pets. If you can imagine driving in an RV for 12 hours -- that's not normal driving, that's stressful driving -- and then getting there and being told, sorry, you have a dog, you can't stay here. That's one of the things that happens for RV owners. Additionally, there are RV parks that don't allow particular types of tow vehicles. There are RV parks that don't allow kids. There are RV parks that require

applications, where you have to go through and provide IRS level information just to see if there's an available space.

One of the biggest lessons we learned is that there isn't necessarily a connection between price and quality. One of the best places we stayed was in Kansas, it was \$25 a night. One of the worst places we stayed was in Montana, it was \$150 a night. There is an inherent disconnection between the quality that's provided and the price. We think there's an opportunity to do something a little bit different.

So RV Rest Area is very interstate oriented. It's catered to the interstate traffic. And it's priced accordingly. It accommodates all RVs, every single pad is large enough for the largest RV. In addition to the concrete pad, there is also an asphalt extension on both ends. So you've got enough room to accommodate the largest RVs. On top of that, we're really focused on providing a high quality experience at a very competitive price.

One of the things I do want to talk to you about is the time line, the fact that this is not a project that was conceived on a whim. We finished that trip in July of 2020. We started our site search. We found 48 sites in the entire upstate that we felt would work. We selected this site for a variety of reasons. We hired our engineer, Joe Bryant, Seamon Whiteside, and they've been great with We established our operating LLC in January. We started negotiations with the landowner. But we had a couple of things that we needed to identify. We needed to identify better -- get a better sense of the property itself so we hired a surveyor. In April, we had a meeting with Jimmy Davis on Council, members of the Planning Commission and staff to have a pre-development meeting to discuss the possibility of having an RV park on this land. And we left that meeting with a high degree of confidence that we're going to be able to build an RV park here.

The biggest concern was, well, we don't want a mobile home park here. That is not what we're doing. We did a soil test with DHEC. We had a second cross country trip where we assessed operating practices so that we can incorporate the best practices in the country at this site. Additionally, we quoted the entire project so we could start to get the funding figured out. We established our land holding LLC. That's a requirement from the SBA; we're going through the SBA loan process. We attended the RV owners — or the RV park owners convention in Raleigh that year. We basically just confirmed the demand for this kind of product. We also struck up vendor relationships who can provide a really high quality experience.

One of our lenders told us that we'd be better off if

we brought in a different engineer. So that's why the application actually has two engineers on it. One is Seamon Whiteside, another one is one that is based in Wisconsin that has done a lot of RV parks. So we're bringing a lot of best practices to this individual park.

In April, we finally finalized -- it's always an evolution -- our business plan. We found a bank that believed in the project. The credit manager at that bank is actually a big RV user. And they said this is brilliant. This is going to be really successful. So they're very enthusiastic about that project. We signed a letter of intent with the bank. We believe -- we received SBA approval. And we started the permitting process. And that's where we're -- why we're here, trying to figure out if we can get this over the hurdle.

The reason why I bring this up is because I want you guys to know that this is not a loose conception. This is something that I've spent a lot of time and money to try to get right. Very, very important to me. So one of the things that I did in my research is in the last couple of meetings — obviously you guys are familiar with them — there have been some denials regarding RV parks. And I pored through the minutes of every single meeting to understand what are some of the concerns. And one of — there are a couple of themes that emerged.

One of which is the lack of familiarity with the RV owners themselves. So the RV Industry Association classifies seven types of RV owners; the happy campers like my great uncle Albert, he travels from Connecticut to Florida every year, and he always stops by, 3% of RV owners; the casual campers, these are people that own RVs and just don't necessarily have the time to use them; the adventure seekers, these are people that like to live off the grid; the avid RVer, I've got a cousin who literally drives around the country 250 days of the year, really great RV owners; the escapist, these are people that go to the same place routinely, you know, if you've been to Myrtle Beach, you've seen a lot of the RV parks there, those are a lot of escapers because they're always going to the same place; and then the full timers, this is where I think some of the distinction or some of the agita kind of comes from where there's a perception that an RV park will ultimately become the same kind of characteristic as a mobile home park.

There are a couple of things to keep in mind. One, most RV parks, if they're catering to long term users, they're heavily discounting their, their rental rates. That's not something we're doing. Additionally, we will not be allowing people to add additional structures, adding gardens, adding things like that, that will essentially

allow or provide somebody with a greater degree of comfort over time. We are catered specifically toward the short term travel user. And then finally, the group that I qualify for, the family campers, people that just take their RV and take their family camping.

So why am I going through this real quick? The RV Rest Area consumer consists of the four largest demographic groups. And if you were to sort those by income, they also tend to be the wealthiest of the demographic -- the RV owners. So this is not an RV park where you're going to have long term residents. We're not priced that way. We're not -- the economics don't work that way.

One thing that I wanted to bring up regarding demographics, not only are the demographics strong, they're getting better. So according to a study by KOA, the average RV owner is getting younger and getting wealthier. These are the kinds of RV owners that we anticipate staying at our park. Four out of 10 RV owners have incomes over 100,000 per year, which is more than -- which is roughly double what it is in the state. So more affluent owners.

And one thing that I think I'll add is based on my experience, traveling RV owners are among the most responsible, conscientious and kind of collegial groups in the world. They have to be. Every single one, if you're traveling in an RV, you've got to have carpentry skills, you've got to have plumbing skills, you've got to have electrical skills, and you bring that to the table, and everybody in that park comes with that skill set. It's a really, really great environment.

So why this site? This site stood out for a couple of reasons. First, interstate frontage. You can stand in the middle of the property, and you can hear the air brakes on the interstate. This is very interstate oriented. Additionally, Quick Trip and Pilot are nearby. Pilot is important because the largest owners association for RV owners, the Good Sam Network gets discounts at Pilot. So as a result, RV owners tend to be very familiar with Pilot locations. So it's a great fit. And then additionally, there's nearby industrial development. On the surface that might feel like a little bit of a contradiction, but the great thing about the industrial development is that the road network will stay very sound. And that is an important consideration when it comes to an RV park, is having decent transportation. And of course, the entire region is seeing a lot of growth, so it's a great place to access Greenville, Anderson, Clemson. Really great stuff.

So here's the site itself. In terms of its development, we're looking at 41 sites, all full hookup, all pull-through. Basically the best amenities you can get at an individual site will be provided at each one of these

sites.

One of the things that will distinguish our operations is universal RV access. Every single site is spec'ed out the exact same. So when you get a site, you're — you know what you're getting, there's no guesswork. It happens at a lot of RV parks where you think you're getting one thing and you end up getting something completely different.

Additionally, every site will be 100% pull-through. Fast, reliable internet. When my kids were on the trip, they started our trip thinking, hey, does this RV park have WiFi? And then when they connect, they're like this WiFi is really bad. I don't want to connect to this WiFi. It's an unfortunate thing with RV parks is that they all have WiFi, it's just really, really bad. We've worked out a plan to get really fast internet for the, for the site.

Additionally, we're also going to be including a security system with 24 hour recorded and monitored security so that people are not only comfortable, they're also safe.

We're also going to lean into our pet friendly branding, with a dog park, making sure that there's dog friendly water amenities. Basically just making sure that families with their pets feel like they're welcome.

We're also going to have a gating system just to make sure that only authorized guests are allowed to visit. We're also going to be partnering with local businesses to promote local opportunities. Remember what I said about the demographics, they skew a little bit more affluent? There is interest in authentic local experiences from RV travelers. They're not interested in going to the local chain that they can get at home. This is an opportunity for us to really promote local businesses. I know when I travel, I always look, oh, is there a nearby brewery that I can visit, grab a couple of local beers and bring them home with me? It's, it's something I look forward to.

One of the things that we think is really important given the noise from the interstate is the inclusion of privacy fencing. It will not only mitigate the noise but also protect the area from nearby industrial development that's occurring.

So one of the things that kind of stood out in the minutes that I reviewed is the perception of community value. So a couple of things. According to the RV industry association, the average RV traveler when they're visiting spend \$300 per visit in the local community. Based on our projections, that means a million dollars of revenue on an annual basis to area businesses based on the presence of this RV park.

Additionally, one of the important things that I

personally believe is that it's not important -- it's not just important for a business to do well, a business needs to do good, as well. So one of the things that we've decided we want to do is partner with an area animal shelter, and share some of our profits with them, so that we can help build the community, as well.

One other thing that kind of surprised me once we purchased the property, and shame on me for not doing my full due diligence, the property has become a little bit of a dumping ground in that there's a lot of old furniture, rusted metal structures, and trash. Ultimately, this will be an opportunity to clean that up. I'm guessing it was left by the previous owner.

And then additionally, one thing that I think is really important, particularly for this interchange is that -- and I don't think anybody here would be surprised -there's a lot of development going on. There's a lot of change in this area. You can see Exchange Logistics Park from the front of this property. And the first thing that happened when I purchased this property is an industrial broker reached out said, hey, what kind of warehouse are you building? Because they -- they're anticipating that additional industrial development is going to be coming here.

To put it in perspective, BMW has 4 million square feet. Over the last 20 years, the industrial market has grown by more than 4 million square feet every single year. So basically, every year another BMW plant essentially lands in the upstate. So the notion that wide swaths of undeveloped land right next to the interstate are going to remain undeveloped is somewhat unrealistic. The development is coming, particularly in unzoned areas.

Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you, Mr.

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BRIAN REID: Mr. Reid. DAN HARVELL: I'm sorry. BRIAN REID: Joe Bryant is

He's way smarter than I am. my engineer.

DAN HARVELL: Sorry, I misread my notes. Okay, thank you. All right. At this

time we'll open it up for citizen comment. The first person signed up is Diane Bishop. DIANE BISHOP: I'm Diane

Bishop. I live at 111 Blossom Bridge Extension, Piedmont. I'm opposed to this development because it backs -- my house -- that property; my backyard backs up to it. There's nothing industrial out there except two miles up the road. All the rest of the homes are -- its rural, homes, you know, farm land. There's -- and now we on Elrod Road, we have tractor trailer trucks coming down our road. We have cars from Interstate 85 when there's a wreck on Interstate 85. I don't think our road is wide enough that they can -- they're gonna have to turn that -- they usually have to turn wide to get into the entrance. They're gonna have to go on the other side of the road and in somebody's yard to get into the property.

But I'm mostly opposed -- it's right behind my house. Are they gonna put up a buffer behind my house so I don't have to smell diesel fuel or we don't have to listen to the noise from all the people that's going to be living in those RVs or staying in those RVs.

That's all I have to say.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Martha Frist.

MARTHA FRIST: Thank you for this opportunity to speak tonight. My name is Martha Frist and I live at 424 Elrod Road, and that places me diagonally

across the street from the entrance to this proposed 41 site RV park.

I just would like to make comment looking at the proposal and sketch of the plan. The plan is to put 41 sites in 22,000 square feet. I do think that if you were thinking about reach out and touch someone, you literally could reach out and touch someone. Okay. There is no recreational provision plan for this other than the dog walking park. I just don't understand, having been a camper all my life, what the attraction is. You know, I don't understand that. But anyway, it will have a tremendous impact on the community because of the traffic on Elrod. Elrod is a country road. It doesn't -- it's not made for RV travel, cars, trucks that pull the recreational vehicles.

I moved to Elrod in 2015 because I was drawn by the quiet country road. I have a large family; 23 grandkids play in my front yard. And I just can't even comprehend having to worry about that traffic being, you know, the motherly grandmother that I am, it just will tremendously impact my family. And I know it'll impact a lot of other families.

My concern, of course, was addressed by this gentleman that just spoke, because in the past, I've heard that RV parks really become full time residences. And I still feel that if they don't have the income from traveling RVers, that that's what it'll turn out to be. And then that's a whole different ball of wax because it'll put a burden on the police, Anderson County Sheriff's Office, the Wren Fire Department, Powdersville Water. I still don't understand, you know, whether there's going to be a sewer hookup or a septic to handle it. But neither

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DAN HARVELL:

Time. Thank

Next is Jackie Wilder. you, ma'am.

JACKIE WILDER:

Thank you for

the opportunity to speak. I'm Jackie Wilder. I live at 500 Elrod Road. If you walk out my front door, walk 40 yards, you'll cross Elrod Road to this proposed site. So it's going to be right at my front door. I'm opposed to it. If you actually went about a quarter of a mile from this property, you folks approved a trucking company last year. They're getting ready to move in. They're going to drop 60 tractor trailers on a drop zone every 24 hours. They're going to leave where they are, they're going to come up Frontage Road at 85. Instead of going to the truck stop and go through four or five traffic light changes like everybody else does now, they're going to swing left and if they're going northbound, guess where they're going, Elrod Road. The road can't handle the traffic we got now. I mean, it's a bad, bad situation. And there's a dangerous curve about 50 to 60 yards from the entrance to where they're going to have this RV park. Number of wrecks have been there before. I think this is probably going to cause more. Two thousand houses approved in Piedmont within a half a mile radius in the last six months to a year. What's that going to do? It's going to put three to 4000 cars on the road. Where are they going to go? Some of them's going down Elrod Road.

About four weeks ago, wreck on 85, I told my son, there's no way that those cars are coming off the interstate through that traffic light. Well, guess what they were doing? They were cutting off the interstate on the grassy shoulder, hitting the Frontage Road and hitting Elrod Road. It was bumper to bumper for over an hour in front of my house. I don't need that kind of traffic. I'll be honest with you. And I don't think anybody else on the road does. Thank you very much.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Next is Irene Samuels.

IRENE SAMUELS:

I'm Irene

Samuels, 113 Blossom Branch Extension, Piedmont. of my property will be just right next door to where this park is going to be. The corner where the Pilot is sometimes we have to wait two lights in order to get out of there because of the traffic of the trucks coming out. What is going to happen then? What is going to happen when all these people from the new houses coming in? This RV park that is right between two houses, the entrance to the RV is going to be right between two houses. I don't understand. There's no amenities in the area. I don't

understand the purpose of this RV park. There's other people that want to talk and they probably do better than I do so I'm going to give my time to them. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you.

Next is James Samuels.

WILLIAM MOORE:

He said he's

good.

DAN HARVELL:

Okay. Deborah

Bryant.

DEBORAH BRYANT:

I'm Deborah

Bryant, I live at 511 Elrod Road. This is right next door to me. This is -- my house is here and it's going to be the entrance -- the only entrance is going to be right next to me. I've lived there since 1986. I bought this house 37 years ago. I used to could walk on my road. I can't do that anymore. It's not safe. I don't know -- I'm a camper. I love to camp. But not one time have I wanted to camp on the side of 85. There's nothing for anybody to do. There's 41 sites in five acres. That's not counting the trucks that pull them, the cars that are with them, the people that are there with kids that are going to be right at -- not only here next to my house, but wraps around my house. What are they going to do? There's no swimming pool, there's no lake, there's no mountains, there's nothing.

We've got 2000 houses coming within a five mile radius of me. They're going to be using his road. Truckers now know that they can cut through Elrod and stay off of 86. I have to back out of my driveway. You cannot -- at times I can't get out of my driveway. It's not safe. There's a road here and a blind spot on both sides. we've had so many wrecks. We've had I know six or eight young people killed just right down the road from me from the cars that fly. Some of them go by my house so fast I'm not even sure what color they are. They do not slow down. I don't allow my grandchildren even in the front yard. We stay in the back. And now we're going to have all this going on there. These people have nothing to do. So are they going to sit in their campers or are they going to ramble the neighborhood? Because there's no -- we have a couple of restaurants at the end down there at Pilot's; that's McDonald's and Burger King. So there's nothing there but families that want to live there and be able to get out of their house, stay in their yards.

There's -- there'll be lighting. I've been at campsite. They come and go all times of day and night. They pull in there at 10 o'clock. They pull out at five a.m. So the noise there. There'll be lighting back there, where now I can sit in my backyard and have a fire on my deck. What it's -- you know, it's just going to be where

all I see back there is lights, noise, not only from the highway, but from the trucks pulling these campers in and out because they said they're really big. So to pull these big campers they have to have big trucks.

DAN HARVELL:

Time. Thank

you, ma'am. Next is Robert Elrod.

ROBERT ELROD: My name is Robert Elrod. I live at 413 Elrod Road, and have all my life. Your report that I read lists this land as residential slash undeveloped. The proposed RV park is the only undeveloped land in that area. I have land that goes down the other side of that RV park behind our house. This land has trees on the back side which that buffs I-85 noise. All other land that joins this RV park is residential. A total of 10 homes -- some of them have spoken -- join the RV park. The back yard is going to join up to this RV park. There is over 50 houses within 300 yards of this RV park.

You don't have to answer this, but I want you to think about it. How would you feel if someone put a RV park in your backyard? What would you do -- what would it do to you property value? Well, folks, there's 10 families on Blossom Branch Extension and Elrod Road facing that problem. If you approve this RV park, it will destroy the value of their property.

A RV park is not consistent with other uses in the area and you have that on your form -- you say it is or somebody did -- and will have a negative impact on local residences. On your form it says it'll have a positive impact.

Will this park have a full time manager? What about noise problems? My understanding of RV parks, people come in there with RV -- I mean with ATVs and motorcycles. Are they going to be allowed or not? What about dogs? She mentioned a dog park. So I'm assuming there's going to be dogs. Are these dogs going to be barking at night? And my daughter's house is right next to it. My granddaughter's bedroom is right there. Are these dogs going to be keeping people up?

And I'm concerned about emergency vehicles like fire trucks, ambulances, and others. Are they going to be able to maneuver through this RV park? I've seen the drawing. Looks pretty tight to me. This park would be a nonsense -- or a nuisance to over 50 families living within 900 feet, 300 yards ---

DAN HARVELL: Time. Mr.

Elrod. Thank you.

ROBERT ELROD: --- of this RV

park. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Next Jeff

Garrison.

JEFF GARRISON:

I live at 443 Elrod Road in Piedmont directly beside this property. And I'm here today to express my concerns about the proposed park. I believe it will be detrimental to our community and its residents. A RV park would create a significant increase in traffic and noise levels in our neighborhood. The consistent noise and activity would disrupt the peace and tranquility that we currently enjoy. The inconvenience of those living near the RV park and — also could impact the safety of our streets as drivers may not be familiar with the area and its residential speed limits. Also increased traffic congestion on our already overcrowded road that has not been paved since 1999.

The proposed RV park of 41 sites directly affects the 10 homes that are beside, adjacent or across the street. A RV park on Elrod Road in Piedmont is not going to bring in families that are looking for relaxation and recreation or tourism dollars. A RV park in this residential area would likely attract a transient population which would negatively impact the overall character of our neighborhood. Could lead to an increase in crime and vandalism which would not only be a concern for our residents, but also could negatively impact our property values. An influx of transient people would lead to a strain on our local resources including our already understaffed police department and a general decline in the quality of life for our residents. Another potential issue is the impact the RV park could have on the environment as the noise and pollution from RV generators and other equipment could be significant.

I urge you to consider the long term impact on our community and its residents and decline the proposed RV park on Elrod Road. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Lisa Garrison.

LISA GARRISON:

Garrison, 443 Elrod Road, and I've lived here my whole life, as well. So my house is going to be right beside the RV park. My bedroom, my son and my daughter's is going to face this RV park. It's hard. We've had this land for a long time, and there's nothing positive that's going to come out of this. There's no recreation, there's no destination. There is nothing on this road that will attract anybody wanting to come and park their RV and spend some time there. There's nothing. It's an old country road. Potholes are everywhere. It's not been paved since 1999. There is nothing that will attract anyone to come. And if they do come who's to say it's going to be short term? Once it comes it may start out that way, but it may

not end that way. I just learned there's going to be a dog park. There's going to be dogs barking. We're going to hear noise. We can already hear some noises of neighbors anyway. This is going to be even closer. So we're going to hear the noise, there's going to be lights. I'm sorry, there's nothing good that's going to come out of it where we live. It's just residential where this is coming.

I am a real estate agent. This will devalue my home plus the others that it surrounds. I will not feel safe. There's already -- there's woods that are behind my house that backs up to I-85. We have a garden in those woods. I will not feel safe anymore going to my garden, not knowing who all's going to be there. When they do want to walk around, where are they going to walk? Or they may come into our woods and walk. My children will not feel safe playing in the woods anymore. There's -- my safety is what I'm going to be worried about too for the families and for my children.

I just urge you to deny this project. I don't see -- I don't see any sense of it coming where it is for what he's wanting to do. So I just urge you all to deny it because it will negatively affect the residents that's living there now.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Brian Elrod.

BRIAN ELROD: Hello, I'm Brian Elrod. I live at 407 Elrod Road. As my dad and my sister spoke, same, same concerns. Been there all my life.

My grandparents have been there all their life, their parents and so on and so forth.

Anyhow, I have an RV. I don't look for Piedmont, South Carolina to go RVing in. There's nothing there that would attract me to come to spend a night or weekend, a week, in a residential neighborhood. Now this -- you don't see the pictures, but it isn't like a strip of road with people on the road. I mean this neighborhood that a lot of them talked about goes back behind this -- where this proposed park is. And these people's houses, this is their backyard. It's my sister's side yard. The dump that he was talking about, I don't know where any of this trash is coming from that he mentioned. I've been here, again, all my life.

The other thing, there's no time limit he's putting on it, it doesn't sound like. There's no age to an RV that he's allowing to come in. A lot of parks I've been to you've got to have a certain age RV to get in. You're going to know in advance if it takes dogs or not. If you don't then, you know, that's on the owner.

But the -- Elrod Road does not need an RV park on it. It's a residential place. It is not for leisure camping.

And on his thing he only has a dog park as an amenity as somebody else mentioned. What else are those people going to do? There's no trails around for them to walk on. There's no beach to go playing in. There's no lake for them to go enjoy. They're just there beside the interstate. And I don't know.

I urge you to -- when you cast your vote tonight look at your house, look at the land beside your house, whether it's another house or not, pretend there's not another house, pretend they're fixing to put 41 more neighbors right there beside you. Is this what y'all want? Would you want that to happen to you? I hope you think about that when you vote. That's all I have to say. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Jimmy Davis.

JIMMY DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chair and fellow Commissioners. Jimmy Davis. I live at 310 Major Road in Piedmont. And what -- you've heard these emotional pleas from the citizens that live on Elrod Road. It wasn't that many years ago, and this is a fact, that there were probably more tractors go down Elrod Road than there were cars. I mean, it's that much of a rural area. Very, very farm-like community. And as times have progressed, we have seen industrial growth there on the frontage road and now Abilene Motor Express is going to put a drop yard there. They came under -- you guys did not approve it, but they came under the limitations, so that was an industrial approval that can come through staff. It's completely legal. So they're going to put about 80 to 100 trucks a day on the frontage road which Elrod Road comes into.

I have personally met with the SCDOT commissioner and plenty of traffic engineers out on the interstate exchange there to exit 35. If you've ever been through it in the mornings and afternoons, you might sit there sometimes for 20 minutes or so just trying to get through the red light there.

But you know, as we just recently learned, all of us, in some training about the comprehensive land use map and its bearing in how we make a decision. And the decisions you guys make and we make as well are based on facts. And the fact is on February 27 I learned from staff because I inquired, I said, what is the land use of this piece of parcel — this piece of property, what is it? And it's residential.

And this is a -- it's on the land use map that we have now, the 2016 comp plan, this is a residential land use. We are hearing tonight about a commercial business going there. And it is a commercial business. They rent spaces. They will collect accommodations tax which further

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enhances that argument.
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            So it doesn't meet the land use map that we have in
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      place right now. I know we're working on an update. I
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      know we've got a new one coming up in '26. But the one we
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      have currently here that we base -- are supposed to base
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      our decisions off of is -- it says it's residential. This
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      is not a residential use.
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            I did meet with the developer or the proposed -- the
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      owner here. And he's a very nice gentleman. I don't
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      disagree with his plan, but it's -- it might be the right
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      plan but it's certainly the wrong place. And so one of the
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      things I took away from that meeting was he has no onsite
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      management. There's no one working there to oversee this
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      thing. So everybody's supposed to get on their phone or
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      app or whatever, book the site, and stay there and leave.
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      He did -- he said he does have security cameras. But my
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      main concern when I did meet with him, and I meet with all
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      proposed developers that have -- that come before me in
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      District 6. But the main concern was there was no onsite,
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      no onsite management there, number one. Number two, there
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      were questions of how we're going to take care of the
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      waste, the refuge, that would -- that this site would
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      produce. And further ---
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      you, Mr. Davis. Edward Kessinger. Edward Kessinger.
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      Mickey Durham.
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                                                   May I take his
                 FEMALE:
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      spot if he's not here?
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      Just for the sake of time. We do have some more to speak.
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      Thank you for understanding. Burriss Nelson.
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                 MICKEY DURHAM:
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      Mickey Durham. I signed up for Midway Road.
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                 TIM CARTEE:
                                                   Mr. Chairman,
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      I think that's (c).
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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          A lot of papers up here. Okay, I believe that's it.
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                                                   My name is on
                 MALE:
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      there, Barbara Harris. I believe it is.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      District 4, District 7, District 6. It says District 6.
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           All right. These may have been a little out of
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      order. I'm sorry. Yeah, the same name. So, Mr. Nelson,
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      were you speaking to this?
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                 BURRISS NELSON:
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      Big Brother. It's the next one down.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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              Then I believe that concludes the speakers for this
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      -- unless someone -- I'm sorry. We're just missing the
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      paper up here. Please come and speak. My apologies,
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ma'am.

BARBARA HARRIS: My name is Barbara Harris and I live at 108 Blossom Branch Extension. And I went around the neighborhood just talking to people and getting them to sign a petition. I got over 61 signature. And a lot of those people wanted to come, but they have, you know, they have different work schedules, children doing things and they're disabled, so they couldn't come.

But my complaint is definitely to oppose it because Elrod Road is already very narrow and has difficulty handling our current traffic, which increases neighborhood risks for traffic accidents. And we've already had like six kids killed on that street, plus several accidents. And also, I've been there for 32 years, and I used to take my stroller with my baby and my friend, and we would walk down Elrod Road, walk all the way down to Elrod Place, come — we would race up the street. And I wouldn't step out there with — by myself now, because it is frightening. The road is so narrow that it's very dangerous. I can't imagine trucks passing each other on that road.

Also, you know, I don't know how long that place will be there or if they'll have kids staying there forever. So will there be more students going to the schools, those trucks coming up and down the road with all these bus stops, sounds like that's going to be even more dangerous. I've talked to some of my neighbors and they said they can't even get out at the bus stop -- I mean at the Pilot to get their kids to school because of all the buses -- I mean the trucks already. He said they're parked on the side -- they just can't get out. So that's another problem.

Transient people. You know, and I've said this --I'm going to say this. Mean people travel across the country and that's how they steal kids and people and go to the next spot. So I just think that's another issue that should be addressed and thought about. We live on a dead end street, so when they get misguided and they come down our street and turn around, then that's going to affect our street. And our street is private. And we are not the only private street. And I know I have a GPS, but I don't always follow it and I get lost. So I feel like those big vehicles on our road is going to make it even worse. We're going to have increased noise and sound, lights from the RV park. You cut down the trees, we're going to get more pollution towards us. It'll definitely diminish our home values and definitely hurt our community's quality of life. It will affect the wildlife because there's deer all in that area, tons of deer, so you know, they're going to go. And where will they go?

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And the other thing I wanted to look at was -- or
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      mention was there aren't any grocery stores. He talked
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      about spending money, well, they're going to have to go to
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      Powdersville and that's not really going to work out
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           So I'm definitely opposed to it. And also, I want to
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      know about any kind of privacy fences they're going to put
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      around that so we don't have to look at it or hear it. So
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      I'm definitely opposed. And hopefully you guys will agree
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      with us, because I mean that road is dangerous right now.
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      It is dangerous.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                  Okay.
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      And Ms. Harris, may I ask you your address once again?
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                 BARBARA HARRIS:
                                                  108 Blossom
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      Branch Extension, Piedmont, South Carolina.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                  Okay. Since
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      we're missing the other sheet that may have had somebody --
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      was there anybody else signed up?
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                 BARBARA HARRIS:
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      right after -- you read her name and you didn't read mine.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      missing it on here for some reason. Okay.
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      wrong -- oh, is that what happened.
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      sorry. Come on and speak, ma'am. Come on. Just one more.
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                LIZ DOVE:
                                                  Thank you for
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      hearing me. My name is Liz Dove at 414 Elrod Road.
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           This road that he's talking about is probably -- oh,
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      I don't know, it's not very wide. Okay? It's a little
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      country road. A little paved blacktop little country road.
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      Now we have a three horse, eight foot wall, live in
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      horse trailer. Okay. It's very long. And we use a
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      dually truck to pull in and out of there. It takes us
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      -- we have to go really wide, we almost hit the
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      mailbox, we're almost in the neighbor's yard. Okay,
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      we can't pull that thing in and out. It's very
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      difficult. The landowner is talking like it's -- it's
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            It's a little country road. And we have
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      difficulty. The tractors have difficulty going up and
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      down there. I mean you have to go in the middle. It
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      cannot sustain what the landowner is wanting to do. I
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      don't know how else to say it. You -- have y'all been
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      to Elrod road lately?
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                 JANE JONES:
                                              I have.
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                 LIZ DOVE:
                                              You have.
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      you agree with me on that? You would.
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                 JANE JONES:
                                             Yeah, I'm very
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      familiar with Elrod Road.
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                LIZ DOVE:
                                             So you would agree
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      with me on that type of road?
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                 JANE JONES:
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                LIZ DOVE:
                                           So none of y'all
     have been to Elrod Road? I mean, like in the past
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     year.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                          Ma'am, just your
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     comments. It's not an exchange session.
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                LIZ DOVE:
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     y'all to envision what I'm talking about. It won't
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     sustain what he's talking about. It just won't do it.
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          And I really appreciate you letting me come up
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     here. And I hope you all have a great evening. Thank
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           DAN HARVELL:
                                     Thank you. At this
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      time, are there any questions of staff, for staff or
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     the developer from the board?
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                JANE JONES:
                                           I have one
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     question of the developer. I realize that he's not
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     required to have this information at this point in the
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     process. But what are you planning for the sewer
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     system?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                            I'm sorry. What?
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                JANE JONES:
                                           Sewer system?
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     know you don't have to have all that all drawn out at
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     this point.
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           We're planning on
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     doing septic.
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                JANE JONES:
                                          And that will be
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     an engineered plan?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                          Yes, it's already
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     been engineered.
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                JANE JONES:
                                          Okay. I just
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     wanted to know.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                           (Inaudible.)
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                BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                          Current land use
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     or the future land use in this case is residential, as
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     Mr. Davis did point out. Again, it is unzoned. I
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     would like to say that our current future land use map
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     does not have a designation for recreational such as
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     this being an RV park.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                           (Inaudible.)
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                BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                           Yes, so the
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     correct future land use map that we have was generated
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     by citizens at the time. It is next to the interstate
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     so that is something to keep in mind whenever you are
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     making decisions near the interstate.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                           (Inaudible.)
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           I'd probably just
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     sell it. I mean, I've got a lot invested in this
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     project. So I've got a lot kind of riding on the
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     success of it. But land values have climbed high
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     enough that I mean long term, I will get my return and
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      somebody will basically come in and develop it.
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                JANE JONES:
                                           Do these RV parks
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      allow camp fires and stuff?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                          We do not have
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      space for campfires.
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                                           I didn't know if
                JANE JONES:
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      that was ...
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                           I know one concern
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      that was mentioned was no onsite management. Is that
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      a -- if you're a traveler by RV and have -- as you say
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      you have, explained that.
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           Yeah. So first
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      and foremost part of the concept is RV owners by their
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      very nature tend to be very self-sufficient. A lot of
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     management is poorly run. So the intent is not
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      necessarily to exclude onsite management.
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      contract it out. There wouldn't necessarily be
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      somebody onsite long term. Initially, me personally,
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      I will be there for 24 hours a day until it's obvious
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      that my presence is no longer required. But long term
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      the expectation is not to have an onsite manager.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                           And one of the
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      residents asked about the privacy fencing. I know you
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      showed us a picture of that. But what was your
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      intention on that?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           The intention is
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     basically just to surround the property with wood
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      fencing. We've found that that's -- I was surprised
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      that that ended up being the cheapest option, a six
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      foot privacy fence all along basically the three sides
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      with the exception of Elrod Road.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                            Would that be a
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      totally opaque fence?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                            Yeah, I mean it
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      would be -- there would be, you know, enough for like
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     moisture to potentially pass through the fence. But
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      yes, completely wood. No visibility.
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                JANE JONES:
                                            Is there any plan
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      designating length of stay?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                            I'm sorry, what's
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      that?
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                JANE JONES:
                                            Length of stay
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      designated?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           No, like I said
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     before, most RV parks will discount their rentals
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      first ---
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                JANE JONES:
                                            I understand.
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      You don't have to go back through that.
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           Our pricing is
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      actually geared to benefit the most from short term
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visits because they're the ---
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                JANE JONES:
                                           But it's up to
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     the ---
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                BRIAN REID:
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     price elastic, meaning they are not as sensitive when
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     -- you know, when we get congested we've got the
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     ability to move the price.
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                JANE JONES:
                                          Are you planning
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     to pave any roads into there? Will these be gravel or
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     just dirt?
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                BRIAN REID:
                                          No gravel. All
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     asphalt and concrete.
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                JANE JONES:
                                         My biggest concern
     is the fact that this is -- what you are proposing is
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     a commercial property -- project. And this is a
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     residential area, rural and residential. And it will
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     definitely negatively affect the property values in my
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     opinion, I guess that's an opinion. Just to be clear,
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     this is commercial because you're renting out spaces.
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                                           Yeah, I mean it
                BRIAN REID:
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     is a commercial use, but it is unzoned, as well.
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                JANE JONES:
                                           Well, unzoned is
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     what we've got.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                          Anyone else?
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                                           (Inaudible.)
                JAMES MCCLAIN:
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                BRIAN REID:
                                          Not nearly
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     enough.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                         (Inaudible.)
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           There is a very
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     large market. Yeah.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                          (Inaudible.)
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                BRIAN REID:
                                           Correct, correct.
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     The average length of stay will be shorter here than
      in most RV parks. But that's by design.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Anyone else?
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          Okay, at this time, I'll call for a motion to
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     approve or deny.
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                JANE JONES:
                                               I make the
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     motion to deny the project. My reasons are that it is
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     not in the best interest of the community and
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     surrounding area. Like I just stated this is a
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     commercial property -- project in a residential area.
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     There are a number of people who live there. They
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     have their farms there, been there for generations.
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     And in that sense, it will have a negative -- the
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     project would have a negative impact regarding public
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     health, there's the noise issue, and we don't know
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     about the dogs, safety issue. We don't, you know, we
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     don't know -- there are a lot of unknowns about what
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     will happen in this park. And the welfare and
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     prosperity of the community would not be best served
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     by this project coming in there. And I've already
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     stated that it would devalue the properties. I mean,
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     this is residential and this will be a commercial
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     project next door to these houses.
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           And a great deal has been said about the
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     infrastructure. I think as Powdersville and that
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     whole area grows with subdivisions and these
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     commercial projects, we've got to be forever thinking
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     about our infrastructure and be pushing the state to
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     improve these roads. That's always a concern.
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     are my reasons for denying the project.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                We have a
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     motion to deny. Do we have a second? I will second
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     for further discussion. Is there any discussion?
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     Okay, time for the vote. Those in favor of denying
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     this project, please raise your hand. Mr. Moore is
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     making the recording here. Brad are you up or down?
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     Down? Okay, he's down. Okay.
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                DAVID COTHRAN:
                                               Down in terms
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     of you're voting in the affirmative on denial?
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                BRAD BURDETTE:
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               So, Brad, you
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     are voting for denial or approval? You're voting for
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     approval? Yeah, we have ---
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                WILLIAM MOORE:
                                              You're voting
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     against the motion; correct.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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     motion and a second to deny. Are you for -- you are
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     for denial or are you for approval?
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                BRAD BURDETTE:
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                                                You're for
                DAN HARVELL:
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     approval?
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                BRAD BURDETTE:
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Okay. He is
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     voting for approval. Okay, we have a four/four tie.
                                               But the motion
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                JANE JONES:
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     was to deny.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               The motion was
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               Let's do this again. Let's do this again.
      to deny.
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     The motion is to deny approval. Those for denying
      approval raise your hand. So that would be six to
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     two. Okay. It is denied, six to two.
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                             APPLAUSE
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               All right,
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     staff, item (c), staff report, please.
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                TIM CARTEE:
                                                Thank you,
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     Mr. Chairman.
                     This project is Big Brother.
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     property owners were notified within the 2000 foot
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     radius. The project is by Gray Development, and owner
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of record is Gray Development. The representative is
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      Seamon Whiteside and the intended development is a
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     light industrial warehouse facility. It's located on
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     Midway Road and access will be off of Midway which is
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     state maintained. The proposed development is
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     warehousing light industrial on 44.02 acres. The
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     property is located in unincorporated Anderson County.
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     The property is located on Midway Road near Highway 8
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     and at interstate 85 interchange. The proposed
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     building is approximately 408,000 square feet.
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     Surrounding land use is commercial with two
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     residential sites. It's in Council District 7.
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     property is unzoned. There's the tax maps for your
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     viewing. No variance is requested. And a traffic
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     impact study was conducted and approved by the SCDOT.
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           We have Gaye Sprague here with the Roads and
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     Bridges Department if you have any questions on the
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     traffic study on this. And we also have Burriss
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     Nelson from Economic Development who will also be
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     speaking for this project also.
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           Here's a layout of the proposed development.
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     Here is the property that shows off of Midway and 85
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     and Guyton Road. Here's another aerial.
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           Staff recommends approval. This project has met
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     the requirements in Chapter 24 of Land Use.
           That's all I have, Mr. Chairman.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Thank you.
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     At this time, we'll hear from ---
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                GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                Would you
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     like to hear about the traffic study?
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Oh yes. Yes,
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     please.
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                GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                I'm trying to
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     make an effort to get y'all more information.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Thank you.
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     We appreciate that. We always want it.
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                GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                I'm going to
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      just summarize the findings. Usually a development of
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     this size would not require a traffic study, but DOT
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     did require one. And this was part of a larger
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      development earlier and a traffic study was conducted
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            So we did ask to see the traffic study when it
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     was conducted.
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           It addressed four different intersections in the
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     area and the build volumes on Midway at the site
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It addressed four different intersections in the area and the build volumes on Midway at the site access do not meet turn lane requirements. All the intersections that were studied will stay below a grade of D or maintain what it would be at no build. There's one exception to that. And that's the northbound ramp approach to SC 8 only operates at F

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      and it will continue to do so. And delay will
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      obviously increase with this development. However, in
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     DOT's approval of the traffic study, the district
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     traffic engineer says that DOT will be monitoring this
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     situation and therefore they are not requiring any
     changes at this unsignalized intersection be made by
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      the subject grade industrial site.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Thank you,
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                    Is the developer or owner of the
     Ms. Sprague.
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     property here?
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                JARED CHRYSOSTOM:
                                               The owner was
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     unable to make it. I'm Jared Chrysostom. I'm a
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     Project Engineer with Seamon Whiteside. And we don't
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     have a presentation, but I'm available to answer any
15
     questions you might have.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Okay, thank
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     you very much. At this time, we'll open up the public
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     hearing. I believe we have --- well, Mr. Nelson is
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     listed on the speakers, but he's not the first one on
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     here. Edward Kessinger is the first one on here.
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     Edward Kessinger.
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               MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                My name is
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     on there first.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                He did speak
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     prior. He did speak prior. So I was wondering if he
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     was speaking on both things. Okay, Mr. Nelson.
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           I think we have just a matter of a few people
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      signing up on the wrong sheet.
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                BURRISS NELSON:
                                                Thank you,
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     Mr. Chairman, members of Planning Commission. I'm
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     Burriss Nelson. I live at 1119 Shirley Drive, but I'm
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     here as Economic Development Director for Anderson
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     County.
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           This project is a twin to the project that's on
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     the other side of the interstate which was called
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     Little Brother. This is approximately a $40 million
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     capital investment. And just as -- a warehouse
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     distribution facility will generate an average of over
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     a half million dollars a year for the next 20 years in
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     property tax, not including any tenant that might go
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      into that, which I certainly hope is industrial and
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     will add substantial capital investment to that.
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           But I come here in support of it. And I
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     certainly hope that you can find it in your purview to
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     give it approval. It is within one mile of the
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     interstate. It is light use. It is commercial.
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     is surrounded by all those things.
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           Thank you for your time.
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DAN HARVELL:

Thank you. Any questions from the commission for

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      staff or the developer?
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                (Inaudible.)
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                TIM CARTEE:
                                                At this time
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      we are not aware of who the actual tenant will be at
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      this point.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                So this is
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     basically a spec building at this point; correct?
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                BURRISS NELSON:
                                                That's
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      correct.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Okay. Anyone
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      else?
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                JANE JONES:
                                                I would just
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      like to make a point. I'm not opposed to this project
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      at all. But on the other side of the interstate at
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      this same intersection, the new Love's Truck Stop is
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      about to open. And he referred to a warehouse that's
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      across from the Love's that's going to be really big.
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      They poured the foundation for it.
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           And just an FYI to the highway department, that
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     bridge is in poor repair. There are going to be a lot
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      of trucks crossing that bridge and they need to get
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      this on their radar. That bridge, as you'll be on the
23
      other side, there's going to be a lot of truck traffic
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      there.
              That's all I want to say.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Okay, anyone
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      else? Okay, this is my Council District. I've spoken
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      with my County Council person concerning this and
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      elicited any input that we did not have. So I will
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     make the motion to approve this.
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                MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                 I didn't
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      have a chance to speak and I signed up for this. My
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      name is the first one on the Midway project. So I
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      would like the opportunity to speak for what I've
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      signed up for. It was Big Brother, Midway, your
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      District sign-up sheet.
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                JANE JONES:
                                                 I'll make a
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     motion that he be allowed to speak if that's ---
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Certainly,
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      certainly. Come ahead, sir.
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                MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                And you
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      called my name earlier on something else. It's Mickey
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      Durham. Third generation, living off of Guyton Road.
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      I'm here to speak for myself and my father who lives
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      on the adjacent part of the property.
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           We've been there. We've endured. That's our
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           We've endured the fact that the landowners did
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      a money grab and raped the land of all of the trees
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      and now we've got noise pollution, light pollution
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      directly from 85. We've endured that. We've endured
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      Love's that's about to open, like we were just saying.
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It looks like two car lots are shining in my windows at night. I had to buy blinds and put up blackout blinds so that my child could sleep. We've endured a 408,000 square foot building going up across from Love's. But that wasn't good enough. We've endured the Ryobi building down there. Now we're going for another spec building.

Now the spec buildings are great, whatever. We get tenants. What happens when we don't have a tenant? What happens then? There's nothing that's going to bring that 100 year old forest that was cut down because of pulp wood prices that's going to do that. And y'all are elected to protect those people that live in those areas. And all you're doing is clogging it up. And yes, ma'am, you are correct. That bridge is in bad repair and they've patched it many times. And you're creating a bottleneck.

The deforestation, you've got runoff from all of this. Where is that going to go? I'm on a well. So is my father. You don't think that there is going to be subterranean pollution? You don't think that there is going to be light pollution, like there already is that nobody's talking to. Good Lord, I don't know what's going to happen when Sanders turns on his lights because they are right in my eyes.

We moved there so that I could be close to my parents in their aging time. I've lost my mom. It's just my dad. But we were in the country and we were there as a family. Now y'all are destroying it by allowing zealots to come in and try to just rape the land for profit sake and profit sake only. They don't have a tenant. They are just building something and hopefully it will stay. And there will be enough tax writeoffs that they will stay, but as soon as those go away, guess what happens? They're going to go to the next intersection. We've got stuff going up on 81. We've got stuff going everywhere. We've got enough. We've had enough.

White Plains Community is a small farm town. I don't have 100 people to come because there's not 100 people that live there because we've owned the land for generations. But that doesn't matter. The people that are selling it, the people that are letting this happen, they don't have a vested interest anymore in the property. They just moved away. But the ones that are left like the lady that the 408,000 spec building is built right up against her. Went right to her doorstep. Ms. Durham, the Love's went right up to the line; no buffer, no wall, none of that.

I was told the last time I came to speak that $\ensuremath{\mathsf{m}} \ensuremath{\mathsf{y}}$

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mistake was building next to 85 and that's where warehouses
      are built. So my bad that 85 wasn't there when my family
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      settled. I would at least, at least beg that the buffers
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      be doubled between my property and that.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                 MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                    Thank you.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                    Thank you.
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            All right, backing up, at this time based on his
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      remarks, are there any other questions or remarks from the
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      board concerning the developer or the staff? Mr. Gilreath?
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                 STEVEN GILREATH:
                                                     What about
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      buffers?
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                 TIM CARTEE:
                                                     They will be
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      required to install a buffer around their property when
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      they -- if you approve this project when they submit their
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      commercial land use project that will be part of their
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      permit.
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                 MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                     May I ask
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      what the buffers are?
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                     Mr. Cartee,
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      may I ask a little bit more of a description of that,
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      please?
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                 TIM CARTEE:
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      probably require an earth berm usually about three feet
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      with a privacy fence and landscaping, canopy trees, and
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      restored trees of that nature to help block the view of
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      that building.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      would like to ask the reference you made to the other
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      warehouse or the Love's, it's not done -- it's not what?
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      Can you explain that to us, Ms. Hunter.
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                 ALESIA HUNTER:
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      completed at this time.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      completed at this time?
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                 ALESIA HUNTER:
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      completed. There will be a full inspection once that
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      building is completed.
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                 MICKEY DURHAM:
                                                    There are no
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      signs.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                    Okay.
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      you. Anything else from the board? I will call for a
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      motion to approve or disapprove.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                    Motion to
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      approve.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                    Okay, we have
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      a motion to approve. I will second it being my district.
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      Time for discussion amongst the board. Any discussion?
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      Okay, time for the vote. Those in favor of approval, raise
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      your hand. It looks like it's unanimous. No one voted to
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deny. Thank you.
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            All right, (d) on the agenda. Staff.
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                  TIM CARTEE:
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      Mr. Chairman. This is Anderson Gateway Commerce Center.
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      134 property owners were notified within a 2000 foot
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      radius. It's off McNeely Road and the property owner of
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      record is McNeely Road Land, LLC. Authorized
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      representative is Tejash Patel-Eberly and Associates.
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      this development is intended for light industrial
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      warehouse. And again this is off of McNeely Road which is
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      state maintained. And the details of the development, the
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      proposed development is for two new 247,520 square foot
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      buildings with associated employee parking, truck court,
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      utilities and a storm conveyance system. The total site
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      acreage is 55.84 and 36.22 acres of that is planned to be
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      developed.
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            The surrounding land use is commercial with two
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      residential sites. It's in Council District 6. The
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      property is unzoned. You've got a tax map number for your
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      viewing. No variance is requested. And the traffic impact
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      study was conducted and approved by SCDOT.
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            Here's the layout of the proposed development coming
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      off of McNeely Road. Here's your aerial of the property.
24
            Staff recommends approval. This project has met the
25
      requirements in Chapter 24 of Land Use.
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            And now I'll turn it over to Gaye Sprague for her
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      traffic analysis.
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
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      Mr. Chairman, this traffic study that was required
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      addressed four intersections plus the site access.
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      build volumes at the site access on McNeely Road do not
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      meet turn lane requirements. So no turn lanes at the
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      access are being required.
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            However, when you are turning off of 153 onto
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      McNeely, you can picture that will be the route of vehicles
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      coming from the interstate. That right turn does meet
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      warrants for a right turn. That right turn volume does meet for a right turn lane. The addition of this lane was
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      recommended in the study and DOT concurred and we also
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      concur. The other intersection study will either stay
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      below level of service D or maintain what they would be
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      anyway without the development.
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                  DAN HARVELL:
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      expense of that additional road change will be handled by
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                      The
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      developer.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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      developer. Okay. Thank you.
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                 JANE JONES:
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was on 150 -- that's going to come off which road?
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                     The lane
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      would actually be on 153 for turning right onto McNeely.
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      So there will be a new lane added onto 153 to turn right.
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                 JANE JONES:
                                                     McNeely turns
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      off of 81. You turn off of 153 and maybe turn right on
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      McNeely, or you can come off of River Road ---
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                     It comes off
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      of 153 also. McNeely -- I think it goes all the way
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      through. Remember, it goes through the intersection where
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      River and McNeely have a four-way stop and then it goes all
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      the way over to 81. But it comes out -- is that the KFC?
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      It comes out there at the KFC, where the KFC is on 153.
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      That's the turn where they will be adding a right turn
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      lane. Unless there's some other funding that I don't know
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      about that will be ---
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                 JANE JONES:
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      lane will actually be on ---
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                 GAYE SPROUSE:
                                                     On 153 to
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      turn right onto McNeely. So if people are going away from
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      the interstate on 153, to get them out of the flow of
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      traffic, the right turns, there will be a new lane for them
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      to turn right.
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                 JANE JONES:
                                                      McNeely runs
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      parallel to 153. Anyway, whatever.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                      (Inaudible.)
27
                 TIM CARTEE:
                                                      If you look
28
      at that intersection there, that's where McNeely starts and
29
      runs over to 81.
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                 JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                      (Inaudible.)
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                 TIM CARTEE:
                                                      Yeah, it
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      will be in between those two dots that you see there.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                      All right.
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      Does that conclude, staff ... Okay. Developer, sir.
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                 JONATHAN MARA:
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      evening, members of the commission, staff. Thank you for
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      your time this evening. My name is Jonathan Mara. I
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      represent Patel Industrial Real Estate who is the developer
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      of this project. We're based at 5170 Peachtree Road in
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      Atlanta, Georgia.
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            I would like to just take some time and explain a
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      little bit about who we are. We are a 70 year developer
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      with 70 years of history building industrial real estate
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      only. This is what we focus on. It's what we do well. We
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      are a long term owner of real estate. So while these
      projects are being -- or this project is proposed as a spec
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      project with intent to market for build to suit, we are a
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      long term holder of real estate that partners with the
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      community where we build. So the intent here is that we
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      would be the owner/operator of this building. We have
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vertically integrated Asset Management and Property
Management who would be maintaining this facility for the
long term.

As you're seeing on the screen this is not a
rendering of our proposed building. This is instead a

As you're seeing on the screen this is not a rendering of our proposed building. This is instead a project that we've recently completed in another community. I bring this today to show you an example of the kinds of projects that we do and the quality of construction we intend to bring to Anderson County. Our buildings are entirely modern concrete tilt wall buildings with attractive facades, landscaping, and we try to work with the land in which we build.

All stormwater and utilities will be handled onsite. Onsite detention and water quality. And we anticipate that this building will bring as many -- between two and five and potentially up to 10 new businesses or businesses that want to grow in Anderson County. We're excited to be here. And I welcome all questions or comments from the board.

JANE JONES: Do you have any idea how much traffic you will generate just going and coming from your business onto the ---

JONATHAN MARA: We can't say with certainty until we have a better idea of what the tenant mix will be. But we anticipate -- what we're planning for is -- just to use a planning term, we're going to build approximately, I think 120 trailer parking spaces to serve two buildings. That should give you an idea that that would be roughly the max trips per day in and out of the building if you assume one trailer moves per stall per day.

JANE JONES: Thank you. JAMES MCCLAIN: Do y'all own any other industrial commercial properties through South

JONATHAN MARA: We do. We have other projects in Greer and Duncan. Those are fully occupied and operating buildings.

JANE JONES: There wasn't anything said about making any kind of changes on McNeely Road itself to get into your -- it's a real narrow little road. You don't have any plans of that nature?

JONATHAN MARA: There's no plans at this time to expand McNeely Road, but we've studied it. We have verified that truck traffic can navigate that road successfully. We do intend to install that right turn lane to allow right turns from McNeely -- or from SC 153 onto McNeely and allow them to do that safely. That's going to be ---

JANE JONES: There will be tractor trailers coming in?

Okay, thank

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JONATHAN MARA:
                                                      Correct,
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      right. And to make sure that we're doing that, we're going
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      to do a 200 foot storage turn lane to make sure that
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      multiple tractor trailers can get out of Highway 153 and
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      out of that traffic so they can make that right turn
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      safely.
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                 JANE JONES:
                                                     The turn off
8
      of McNeely is going to be ---
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                 JONATHAN MARA:
                                                     Yes. But we
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      think we've found a location for our site driveway that
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      will make that turn a little bit easier for those trucks.
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                 JANE JONES:
                                                     Thank you.
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                 JONATHAN MARA:
                                                     Thank you.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                     Anyone else?
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      Okay, thank you, sir.
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                 JONATHAN MARA:
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      very much.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                     At this time,
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      we have two people signed up for this. The first is Edward
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      Kessinger, who I believe has left or perhaps signed up for
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      three. All right, Mr. Burriss Nelson.
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                 BURRISS NELSON:
                                                     Thank you,
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      Mr. Chairman. I'm Burriss Nelson. I live at 1119 Shirley
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      Drive and I'm also Director of Economic Development for
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      Anderson County. And I thank staff for -- and you all for
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      allowing me to speak.
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            This project has a total potential of $70 million
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      with two buildings that are approximately 250,000 square
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      feet. And that would equate to somewhere in the
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      neighborhood of $700,000 a year in property tax without
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      tenants for the first 20 years that they would be in
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      existence. So this gives certainly an opportunity for
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      funds to go to schools and for road development. And if
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      you look at the road and McNeely and the location of their
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      entrance, they not only are providing an opportunity to get
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      on the site, as well as with trucks, but they also bought
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      the homes that were there too. So it eliminated housing
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      that were -- houses that were along McNeely Road right
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      there to make their entrance into the site itself. So they
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      took into consideration all of the impacts in that
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      particular area.
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            But this is an industrial area, less than a mile to
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      the interstate and there are other industries there. It's
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      a small industrial park that the Thrifts built years ago,
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      that's just beyond that, as well as Steelworks, which is a
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      steel fabrication company in sales that is across the
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      street.
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            I don't have any other comments. But I do -- am here
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to support this project. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

DAN HARVELL:

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So as Director of Economic Development, does the
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      staff have any questions of him while he's up here? Okay,
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      thank you.
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                 BURRISS NELSON:
                                                     Thank you.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                     All right.
      At this time, I will entertain a motion to approve or
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      disapprove.
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                 WILLIAM MOORE:
                                                    Mr. Chairman,
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      I would like to make a motion to approve this project.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                     Okay. Motion
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      by Mr. Moore. Second? We have a second by Mr. Grant. Any
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      discussion? Call for the vote. Those in favor raise your
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      right hand. And unanimous.
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            Item 7(a) on the agenda staff.
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                 BURRISS NELSON:
                                                     Thank you for
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      your support.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                                     Mr. Chairman,
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      this is the Meadows at Flowing Rock. 25 property owners
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      within a 2000 foot radius were notified via postcard. This
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      project, if approved, will be classified as a private road
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      subdivision. It is being subdivided to 10 lots for single
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      family dwellings. The applicant is Zachary Hunsader. The
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      surveyor is John Moore. It's located off of Highway 252
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      which is state maintained. Located in Council District 7.
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      Surrounding land use is residential agriculture and the
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      zoning is R-A. Tax map number is there for your viewing.
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      It's approximately 58.16 acres. It will be 10 lots. They
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      are not requesting a variance. Traffic impact analysis is
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      Highway 252 is classified is a minor arterial with no
31
      maximum vehicle trips per day.
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            This is the layout of the proposed subdivision with
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      the private road. Please note that the southern portion of
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      it is slightly in Abbeville County. But Abbeville has been
35
      coordinating with us on this project.
36
            And here is the aerial view of the project. The new
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      that you see there is going away and being part of the
38
      subdivision as well. Here is the zoning map.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                      I'm sorry,
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      can you clarify what you just said, the new ...
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                                      Do you see
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      that parcel where it says new? That is going away and
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      being absorbed by the parent parcel there.
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                 DAN HARVELL:
                                                      Oh, okay.
45
      All right. Thank you.
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                 BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                                      This is the
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      zoning map.
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            Staff does recommend approval. This project has met
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      the requirements in Chapter 24 Subdivision, as well as
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      Chapter 48 Zoning in regards to the R-A requirements. This
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concludes the staff report.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Thank you,

Is the developer here? And/or owner? ZACHARY HUNSADER:

Counsel. Thank you, county staff. I would like to begin, my name is Zach Hunsader. I live at 40 Silesian Court in Pelzer. And I am the owner and the developer of the 58 acre parcel under consideration. I desire to subdivide the

acre parcel under consideration. I desire to subdivide the property into 10 total lots as shown and it's all private road as Brittany indicated, which is required by the zoning ordinance. The smallest lot in this proposed subdivision is five acres and the largest north of eight plus acres. Lots cannot be further subdivided based on the ordinance that I'm doing this under. And I am only looking for single family dwellings. So that is all that's under consideration.

Tonight my goal is not to persuade the council beyond what has already -- what it has already determined it wholly desires by its ratification of ordinate number 2021-031 which was signed by Chairman Tommy Dunn on the 17th of August 2021, just 18 months ago. I will read a small portion of it for your reference.

Whereas the Anderson County Council desires to allow the owners of real property located in Anderson County to subdivide property into 10 or fewer lots with a minimum lot size of two acres through the use of a private road; and

Whereas the Anderson County Council has determined that a development on private roads with 10 or fewer lots of a minimum of two acres each will assist citizens of Anderson County to better utilize their property.

I just want to make sure I reiterate that, that the minimum lot, the smallest lot that I have that I am proposing is two and a half times the size of the minimum that's required by this ordinance.

Thank you for your consideration. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you.

At this time we have several citizens signed up this speak. Regina McCall is first.

REGINA MCCALL:

Thank you.

Regina McCall, 301 McCall Road.

I've been in Honea Path now for almost 30 years. Been at the residence there for twenty-one. I was here exactly almost a year ago speaking with y'all on this same piece of property. It was proposed at one time that we thought we was going to be having a -- I'm sorry, I'm upset about it because I know it's already going to be approved.

Anyway, I was here a year ago thinking that this property was going to be something that was going to be hurting three different businesses in our town. Okay, he

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says no, he's just building it for his own purpose of using his equipment because he's a mulcher. So everything was fine and dandy. But a year later he's subdividing it into 10 people. We have land not far from him -- because I did receive a card -- that we have preparing to put our cattle on. It's all been agricultural land. Has he thought about -- I'm the one who called y'all to say that he was doing this. Because prior to this, you didn't even know he was doing it. He just decided one day, I'm going to do this and this is what I'm going to do. And I called and spoke to one of the gentlemen on the board. And he said he can't do this without coming before you. So here we are.

It's borderline Abbeville, yes, and Anderson County. Have we thought about schools? Can they handle it? Have we talked to the fire department? What kind of water are we going to have in there? What kind of sewage are we connecting to? Nothing has been told.

Oh, and one other thing, I have pictures on my cell phone, but the sign for this meeting was actually at the edge of the property. I had people asking me who bought the woods because he didn't put it in front of the property on which he is planning on doing this. So it was kind of misrepresented there. If I'd had time to do where people would sign, we have a lot of older people in our neighborhood. One lady, she had to leave because she had to go see about her husband. Her land is next to ours. But the other lady that rode with her, her land butts up against this gentleman's land. How is that going to be buffered? Right now it's country. She does a horse therapy for children. You know, it's a ministry. Nothing has been spoke of. We have an airport of which all of these people are here to save that.

I'm just going to let it go.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you,

ma'am. Next is Suzanne Reed.

SUZANNE REED:

Thank you for the opportunity to speak. I am Suzanne Reed. I live at 100 Princeton Highway. I belong to a community of other farmers and ranchers. This property in question adjoins the rear of my cattle farm. I have barbed wire fences that contain my cattle. I am concerned that with a subdivision next door, residents will want to have pets; i.e. dogs. know that dogs can go through barbed wire fences. The strands are this far apart. They can get through there, they can get under there. When dogs run cattle, cattle runs scared and they run through fences tearing them down. One cow goes through, if you knows anything about cows, all the cows will follow that one out. And then you have a herd of cows in a subdivision chewing things they shouldn't chew, defecating, trampling flowers and lawns. It's a

recipe for disaster.

The developer asked me if I would like to buy buffer land across the rear of my property. I made him an offer. He declined to take it. The area is zoned pastoral and agriculture. This is not a good fit. All the neighbors around me own either cattle or horses. I feel it will lower my property value as a farm. I don't think he reached out to the community to get any input from any of us. I received no invitation.

I would like to know what sort of homes he plans to build, what minimum home value they may have. Will there be any restrictions on pets? What about curious people and children wandering through a barbed wire fence? Safety is an issue and it gives me great potential for liability that I can't afford.

I have a right to quiet enjoyment of my property and I see this as something that will lower my quality of life in that place. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you,

ma'am. Time. Next is Gerald Roach.

GERALD ROACH: Thank you for allowing me to speak. My address is 100 Princeton Highway. I'm Suzanne's husband. We have a cattle farm. We've got surrounding farm for riding, a horse barn. We've got four farms around where this subdivision will be. We've got the airport. And that's a necessity for us, is the airport. It's been there many years. And I'm sure that it's going to cause a problem with the people that moves in.

And I'd like to know what type the housing would be. What type of septic system will be there? What type of runoff in that area?

Suzanne covered most of it. That's my input. Thank you for allowing me to speak.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you,

Mr. Roach. Al Young.

AL YOUNG:

Mr.

Chairman, commissioners, I appreciate the opportunity to be here to speak to you about the development that's going in. My name is Al Young, 104 Hillcrest Circle, Honea Path.

Back in the mid 40s, 1940s, and based on my understanding of the history, a couple of us came home from the war and decided they wanted to build an airport right there in Honea Path. And over the years they ran that little airport and it was very active. And then over the years as they aged, the airport aged. And as they passed on the airport to the daughter, one of the stipulations in that process was that the airport would always remain a viable airport

 if it were run properly and taken care of.

So I'm a part of a group of individuals have very actively been engaged in trying to revitalize that little airport over the last 10, 12 years, maybe a little bit longer. And we've done that. It's a very unusual little airport. But the work is done by most of the pilots.

And recently one of the family members who is now the heir that owns the property has moved forward -- actually started several months ago -- to put the airport in a LLC, Ashley Field Family Trust; it's a trust, and to ensure the longevity of the airport so it can serve our little community which there's nothing really close by except you go over to maybe Laurens and they've got a county airport and in Greenwood.

The airport has been registered by the FAA, which is something that took quite a bit of work to happen. And believe it or not the actual registration number which just like on the door of your house you have a number that says this is 104 Hillcrest Circle, our identifier that tells the world, actually, and it's on the world charts, that we are SC, South Carolina, 01.

Now for whatever that's worth to you, there are well over 200 airports, both private and FAA approved airports in the state of South Carolina, and we're one of them. The nearest airport, which is SC00, is over in Woodruff. So we're very proud of that. We're very proud of the fact that it's a wonderful little airport.

The airport itself is -- has two runways, a crosswind runway which is primarily for -- built for safety reasons, but it's also for crosswind effects when you run into that issue.

Now if you look at the chart that was up on the screen a few minutes ago, runway 1836, the approach end and the takeoff end stops at 252, Highway 252. You step across the road and there is the beginning of the new development. Now what happens if you've got families that's going to move in, children I'm sure, which is okay, that's wonderful. But here's the When an airplane is taking off over the problem. airport and it reaches the end of the runway and it's in a climb mode, the engine is at its greatest output of power. If there is a mechanical issue -- and by the way, by the time it gets across that departure end down there across the road, it might be anywhere from 50 to 150 feet above ground level. You've got houses under there, you've got children playing, you've got whatever. That's going to be a problem. Especially

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      a mechanical issue and it goes down.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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                AL YOUNG:
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      you very much.
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      Diane Black.
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               DIANE BLACK:
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      didn't ---
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      All right. Alicia Painter.
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                ALICIA PAINTNER:
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      name is Alicia Paintner and I live at 116 Princeton
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      Highway in Honea Path. My property backs up to the
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      property that's in question right now. And I didn't
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      know really too much about this before we got here
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      this evening. We had been approached by the gentleman
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      to buy some of the property that buffers in between
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      the two of us, but the price that he wanted was
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      prohibitive considering the property.
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      Honea Path is a very economically challenged
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      community. We have large problems with our utilities.
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     Every time it rains too much we have to worry about
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      the water flow from the old pipes through the city.
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      We've had to restrict our own water usage several
      times recently because of that. We also have problems
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      with electrical infrastructure. And I'm just
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      concerned that if we add this subdivision to the
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      problems that we are already having in Honea Path,
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      it's just going to get a lot worse.
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           So that was my main concern that I wanted to
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      share. And I do have questions for the developer but
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      maybe I should bring that up to him personally.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      Jim Taylor.
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                JIM TAYLOR:
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     My name is Jim Taylor. I live at 201 Sunset Drive in
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      Honea Path. I've lived in Honea Path my entire life.
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      Our family farm is adjacent to this property that's
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      being developed and is in the larger area of
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      Friendship Community.
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           But this evening, I'm coming to talk to you in my
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      role as a town councilman for the town of Honea Path.
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      I'm Mayor Pro Tem of Honea Path. And as this young
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      lady just mentioned when she came up here, Honea Path
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      is faced with a lot of economic challenges. And what
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      I'm looking at looking down the road, not necessarily
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      for my generation but for any subsequent generations,
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      is what assets we can maintain, what assets we can
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develop for our town of Honea Path. And one of the things that I definitely see as an asset for our town is the Ashley Field which they call it now. And as Mr. Young was pointing out to it a little bit earlier, this was a World War Two Civil Air Patrol facility. And I remember going out there and we used to see P38 Lightnings, P40 Warhawks landing out there and the whole town turning out.

But Honea Path and some of the city councils we've had and grown up with have made some unwise decisions and a lot of significant structures in our town have disappeared, such as the Shirley Hotel where General Wade Hampton made a very powerful speech to a whole mess of people in the Upstate. We also lost the Southern Railway Depot, which I'm so jealous of our brothers up in Belton; they kept theirs and they have been able to develop that up there. And I just hate that we haven't been able to do it here.

But one thing we definitely need to hang on to is not allow unspecified or irregular development around Ashley Field to potentially encroach its future utilization. And like Mr. Young, I totally agree that Ashley Field does have potential for future utilization. But if you have a neighborhood at the end of one of the runways, then you are going to get into a lot of other dynamics that, you know, you really don't want to think about.

I would appreciate it if you guys would consider that. And also for future development. I hate that Burriss Nelson left. I was going to start begging him to send some economic development down in our direction which we so sorely need.

But I do appreciate your time. And I would appreciate a positive ruling that would protect the future development of Ashley Field. Thank you so much.

DAN HARVELL:

Thank you.

Edward Kessinger. Tom Thibodeau.

TOM THIBODEAU: Hey, my name is Tom Thibodeau. I am a property owner on Princeton Highway and Highway 252 in Abbeville County. I'm at the airport. I have two acres adjacent to the

airport.

If I can I would like to inform you of why we picked Ashley Field as the place we're going to retire and settle. It all has to do with a hobby of restoring antique airplanes. We have seven antique biplanes that were trainers in World War Two that need to be restored and we plan on doing that at Ashley Field. Part of that economic development and

revitalization that Mr. Young talked to, three of us went together and bought some land next to the airport. We each built approximately a 5000 square foot facility that's a hangar or barn that we are using to house these airplanes and to do this work.

Our concern -- my concern is that these antique airplanes occasionally have problems. And occasionally they go down. If you are aware, Mr. Tafta went down in the trees off the end of the runway not that long ago. Having a development off the end of runway 3-6 is a potential hazard for people that may end up living there. I would encourage, if you do approve this, that those residents acknowledge that risk when they purchase those lands and that home that they're going to build. It is a significant risk. And it increases the liability to us, the users of the airport.

As a property owner on Highway 76, when we were looking to settle -- and we spent five years trying to find the right airport to do this project, and Ashley Field came in at the top of the list. As we were leaving my wife and I noticed that there was a 64 acre parcel on Highway 76 off the departure end of runway 3-1. My immediate thought was if this is bought and subdivided and developed into a housing community, we're going to lose the airport. So I bought that 64 acres. We decided that we are going to build our retirement home on that and we just broke ground two months ago on our home. Our home value, we're spending over \$250 a square foot to build our retirement home on that farm. It's all tied in to this vision of this hobby of restoring these airplanes. I'm very concerned the property values may decline if homes of the right value are not established behind us, and it's only about 300 feet from our backyard.

Now I did work with the county to subdivide that 64 acres for primarily tax purposes and for future saving of the property, because number one, for my estate, I couldn't put 64 acres and have a house and get a loan to build the house. And number two protect it for the future of my kids so we could pass it on to them; tax things and all of that, they couldn't afford to keep it and it would then get subdivided later. So I subdivided it in a way that I thought would protect the airport.

Please consider the safety risks involved with putting a house directly under the departure end of an airport when airplanes are going to be extremely low and if they have a problem, they don't have many

Thank you so

JIM JONES:

options. Thank you.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you.

And lastly Jim Jones.

much. My name is Jim Jones, 8637 Highway 252 in Newton. My wife and I moved here about five years ago and we -- what did I say? Sorry, that's where we came from. It's late -- and built a house and hangar right there next to the airport.

And there's a couple of things I want to say. Mr. Young and Mr. Thibodeau mentioned most of what I was going to say, but I want to add just a couple of things. This airport is an integral part of the community of Honea Path. And I have pictures in my phone to prove it. Life Flight lands there quite often. Just as recently as January 10, a helicopter landed at the airport, Life Flight, and saved a lady who had just had a stroke. So it's an important asset to the community. It's unique to small communities and we need to keep it there.

The second thing that's not well known is that it is also a Marine Corps training airfield that is outside -- it's outside their typical training area. They come in and they bring in aircraft and they'll bring in Marines and they had an Osprey land there just last year if you know what that is, it's a big aircraft, number of Marine Corps and they jumped out and ran into the woods to do their training right there at this airport.

So it's an important integral part of the community and even the security of our nation if you want to go that route for the Marines. But it is also a goal of ours, Mr. Thibodeau, myself and another gentleman to restore these old aircraft and get young people involved in training on how to service aircraft, how to fly aircraft, how to work on them and so forth. So we have a lot of dreams that are wrapped up in this airport. And as a pilot that's been flying for 47 years, flew all over North America, corporate aviation, I'm also a certified mechanic and aircraft inspector, I'm here to tell you that using these aircraft to teach young people is a very attractive thing for them and we want to do what we can to help the community in that regard as well. So this airport is very important. And it's just across the road from this.

So the other issues that I had to talk about have already been spoken to. But I would ask that you consider these issues and the importance of this airport to our community. And I have seen people over

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      the years as it encroaches on airports -- the airport
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      has been there for decades but people move in and now
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      all of a sudden they complaining and they make the
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      airport move. There's case after case after case of
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      that in the United States. And I would hate to see
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      that happen to Ashley Airfield.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      That's the end of citizens comments.
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      I'll ask the board if they have any questions of the
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      developer/owner or staff.
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                JANE JONES:
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      who should answer this question, but is there any way
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      that the airport -- of course you need the airport --
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     but is there any way you can coexist with this little
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      ten-house subdivision?
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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      I would like to alleviate a lot of the concerns. Most
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      of it is because of a misplaced proposed subdivision
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      sign. So the proposed subdivision sign is about 200
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      yards west of my property. And that property that
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      it's sitting in front of is actually owned by a widow
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      named Linda Bowling. She owns about 35 acres right
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      there. And that is the land that is directly in front
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      of the approach and take off area. My property is
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      about 200 yards further away from the actual runway
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      itself. I've actually -- Jim Ashley, the man who owns
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      -- I believe him to be the owner of the airfield, came
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      and spoke with me. We spoke for about 30 or 40
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     minutes in the field when I was working one day out at
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      the property.
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               MALE:
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      does not own that airport.
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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      Ashley. He's the man with the hangar. We discussed
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      it. He said he's been there for 50 years. I'm sorry,
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      guys. So Mr. Ashley, we discussed the approach zone.
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      And I said, you know that's not the property. He
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      said, yeah, why is the sign over there? Where is this
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      development going? I said, well, it's going here. He
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      said, it's going here? And I say, yeah, I don't own
      that. And by the way, guys, I didn't put that sign
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      there. The county did. And I didn't move it there.
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           So hopefully that will alleviate some of the
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      concerns. I am nowhere close to the approach or
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      takeoff zone. The property that they are discussing
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      is a 35 acre parcel not even owned by me.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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     he doesn't speak to the whole (inaudible). Secondly,
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      there are two runways. Which runway are you talking
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      about?
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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      front of 252.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      to limit the interaction here between you and them.
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      I'm sorry.
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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      Chairman.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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             I'm sorry. That's just the rule.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      ask for the record, what was the name, the Meadows at
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      Flowing Rock, how did you derive that name?
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                ZACHARY HUNSADER:
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      spring coming out of a rock that is the spring head on
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      one of the five acre lots. And so that kind of just
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      fit.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
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      I just remember Mr. Thibodeau's name, can I ask you a
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      quick question? There's an obvious concern of risk to
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      the airport. Is there a legitimate concern about, you
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      know, FAA regulations as it relates to property
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      surrounding an airport such that there could be like a
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      decommissioning of the airport by the FFA (verbatim)?
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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                     I can't cite the clear zone
      specifically.
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      requirements for public use airports. This is a
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      private use airport. So I don't know if they're the
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      same or not. There may be an impact study that needs
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      to be done to look at that prior to going forward. I
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      just don't know the answer. But I do have a map of an
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      aerial view if you would like to see the runway and
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      where the proposed site is.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
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     have the aerial as part of our packet. Thank you so
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     much. That's all I need.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      You're a pilot. All right.
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                STEVEN GILREATH:
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     property -- I can't tell where the subdivision is off
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      of this. Does it align with that runway?
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      shorter runway. Not -- if you ---
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                STEVEN GILREATH:
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      right?
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      lowest point to the property is the departure end of
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      the runway, the shorter runway 36.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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      that the runway that the radio control ---
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      control, that is correct.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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     property in question, is it directly in line with the
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      approach of that runway?
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      down 252. So if I'm taking off, if I may?
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                DAN HARVELL:
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      off on runway 36 and I have a problem, right now the
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      place I'm going to land is the field that's right
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      there across 252. And there's a slight right turn to
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      go into that field. That field is the heart of the
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      subdivision.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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             I just honestly don't know the answer to that.
      know.
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                WILL MOORE:
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      it on the aerial, I mean it looks like I mean you've
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      got to make a pretty hard right turn to catch that
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      open field off the end of the runway.
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      to 100 feet, that's the only way I can go.
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      turning back to the airport. Once you get high enough
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      you can then come across to Mr. Roach's property or my
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     property, into those fields over there by turning
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      left.
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                MALE:
                                                 (Inaudible.)
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      you're landing runway 18, we're going to be turning
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      right over top of that subdivision coming across at
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      about 100 feet. That's just a concern.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                All right,
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      I'm looking at this aerial here that you provided. So
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      if your approach off that runway was straight, what
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      you're saying is the only place you would have to go
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      other than landing in trees would be that field;
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      correct.
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                TOM THIBODEAU:
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      correct.
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                DAN HARVELL:
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     Mr. Gilreath.
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                STEVEN GILREATH:
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      I have an unregistered runway, but when I built mine,
      it was my understanding that if it was registered
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      there was protection from future development. So I
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      don't know that this isn't something that needs to be
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      looked into by the FAA.
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                JANE JONES:
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      like they need to clarify it. Because if this
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      subdivision goes away, how long is it going to be
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     before there is another one? There's open land there.
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      You know, I was excited to see a house on five acres.
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      I mean, when do we ever get that? We didn't know
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      anything about the airport factor in this, looking at
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      this packet.
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                WILL MOORE:
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      anybody from the county elaborate on it for us?
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                JANE JONES:
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      in Honea Path are going to need to ---
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
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      Chairman, this is the first time I was aware that
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      there's an airport strip there. So what we would need
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      to do is talk with our airport folks and find out if
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      there's any impact between the private or public.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                 Mr. Jones.
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                MR. JONES:
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      If I may, it's my understanding that there is not
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      really a clear zone around a private airport. Most
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      clear zones are related to instrument approaches or
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      some other kind of an approach. There has to be a
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      clear zone both horizontally and vertically.
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     Buildings can't be but so tall and so forth.
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      a private airport, I don't know that. That would have
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      to be looked into. And I'm not sure anybody at the
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      Anderson airport would even know.
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                JANE JONES:
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     need to get an official report on it; something in
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      writing.
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                MR. JONES:
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      encroachment and then the people complaining about
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     noise and safety that ---
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                 (Inaudible.)
38
                MR. JONES:
                                                 In the
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      trees.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                 And that
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      actually happened not that long ago with a fellow I
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      know that had a biplane, a Stearman. He was lucky to
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      get away with his life because he went down in the
44
      trees.
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           Is there any other discussion?
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                 (Inaudible.)
47
                JANE JONES:
                                                 Absolutely.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                 (Inaudible.)
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                                                 Well, this
                DAN HARVELL:
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      is my district and I think we need to research this a
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      little bit more. Since Planning did not know about
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      the airport or did not realize that in their reports,
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      I'm going to vote that we table this for more research
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      to be done. I make that motion.
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                WESLEY GRANT:
                                                 I'll second
6
      that motion.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                 We have a
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     motion and a second by Mr. Grant. We have a motion
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      and a second by Mr. Grant. No discussion on tabling.
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      We'll take a vote. Those in favor of tabling ---
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                JANE JONES:
                                                 Wait just a
12
      second. On discussion on tabling, Ms. Hunter, is
13
      there some sort of deadline when you table? Do you
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      have a ---
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
                                                 Yes, next
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     meeting. Next meeting.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                 Next
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     meeting?
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
                                                 Yes, ma'am.
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                JANE JONES:
                                                 I just
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      wanted to make sure we understood that.
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                DAVID COTHRAN:
                                                 That's my
23
      only comment. I have no problem voting for the motion
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      for tabling, but who is going to do this research?
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                JANE JONES:
                                                 It might be
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     better to ---
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
                                                 Yeah, staff
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      will ---
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                JANE JONES:
                                                 --- until
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      you get the information and then come back so that
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      there's no time restriction here just for that reason.
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
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      to do it within 30 days. So staff will research it
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      with our airport folks.
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                JANE JONES:
                                                  But if
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      you've got to go to the FAA, then you don't know how
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     much ---
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
                                                  Well, I'm
39
      not sure. So we'll talk to the airport director.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                  Okay, the
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     motion and second is on the floor. Can I call for a
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      vote to table at this time? Those in favor of
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                Those opposed to tabling. Ms. Jones, did
      tabling.
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      you ---
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                JANE JONES:
                                                   I voted to
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     go ahead.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                  To table?
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                JANE JONES:
                                                  Yeah.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                  All right.
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      Unanimous.
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Last item on the agenda. Staff.

BRITTANY MCABEE:

Mr. Chairman. This is Cornerstone subdivision. The property was zoned IZOD which is innovative zoning district on September 7, 2021 by County Council after being recommended for approval by the Planning Commission on June 8, 2021. Cornerstone was approved by the Planning Commission for 313 lots on October 12, 2021. So they went for the rezoning to be innovative zoning district, then they came back with a preliminary plat approval which was the October 12th approval.

They are coming back before you today for a change in the lot layout. This is not an IZD amendment. This is a preliminary plat approval. Just want to make that clear that we are doing a preliminary plat approval, not a rezoning or an amendment to the IZD. They still meet all the requirements in that IZD and their statement of intent that they had back in 2021.

So 210 property owners within a 2000 foot radius were notified via postcard. It is still Cornerstone which is still going to be single family detached. Applicant is Davis and Floyd on behalf of Spano & Associates, Incorporated. The engineer is also Davis and Floyd. The location is off of Highway 187 which is state maintained, and Burns Bridge Road, which is county maintained. Located in Council District 4. The surrounding land use is residential, agriculture and industrial. The zoning is innovative zoning district. Tax map numbers are there for your viewing. It's approximately 137 acres, still that 313 lots that was previously approved. They are not asking for a variance. Traffic impact analysis is Highway 187 is classified as a major collector with no maximum vehicular trips per day. And Burns Bridge Road is classified as a minor rural collector with no maximum trips per day.

So this is the change in layout. The biggest issue is to the south you can see that they have gone for a more circular traffic flow rather than before it was a little bit more boxy.

This is a closeup of the new layout and this is very similar to the original layout. Here's the aerial view of the property. Here's the zoning map.

Staff does recommend approval. This project has met the requirements in Chapter 24 Subdivision, as well as Chapter 48 Zoning.

And Bee Baker is here to explain the traffic study and traffic issues.

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                BEE BAKER:
                                                 Thank you.
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     Real quick I would just like to talk about the
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      findings of the traffic impact study mainly. There
4
     are multiple recommendations for turn lanes,
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     additional turn lanes to be added. It's hard to
6
     explain exactly where because there's a lot of
7
     entrances. But there is one recommendation for a
8
      right turn lane coming out of the development onto
9
      187. There is four north and southbound left turn
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      lanes on SC 187 that are being recommended. At each
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     one of those there's three accesses to the subdivision
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     and also a left turn lane that is being recommended
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      for Burns Bridge Road, as well.
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          And then finally at the very bottom of that
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     development the median -- there's enough median on
16
     South Carolina 187 to restripe the medium so that you
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     can have a northbound left turn lane onto Fants Grove.
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     We understand that SCDOT will require these findings
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     and we also support the findings and these
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     requirements. Any questions?
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Any
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     questions?
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                BEE BAKER:
                                               Thank you.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Okay, at this
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     time is the developer present?
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                JAMIE MCCUTCHEON:
                                               Mr. Chairman,
     members of the Commission, my name is Jamie
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     McCutcheon. I'm representing Spano and Associates on
29
     the project. My address is 903 Thornblade Boulevard,
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     Greer, South Carolina. Real quick, it's been a long
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     night so I'll keep this short. We are not adding any
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      lots, but we're keeping all the same buffers. Really,
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      the only reason we're here is we met with staff and we
     did do a change to the road layout. We also kind of
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      changed some light sizes, actually made them bigger.
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     And so we just felt because of the IZD zoning and how
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      it was a specific site plan approved, we wanted to
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      just be cautious and get that preapproved by the
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     Commission as we are now going through the engineering
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     process. We're going to be turning that in for
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     permitting hopefully within the next month or so.
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           I have reached out to the community to several
43
     key members that were involved in it before to make
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     sure they are aware of it. I don't want to speak for
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     them. I don't know if they will speak tonight or not,
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     but in general the response has been positive to have
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     larger sizes and hopefully some larger homes there.
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     I'll be glad to answer any questions if you have any.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Okay. Thank
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     you, sir. We have no one signed up -- no citizens
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      signed up to speak to this.
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                KENNETH GARRISON:
                                                (Inaudible.)
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               All right,
4
     sir. Come forward and give us your name and address.
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                KENNETH GARRISON:
                                               My name is
6
     Kenneth Garrison. I live at 1060 Burns Bridge Road.
7
     And my only concern, me and my neighbor Miss Evelyn
8
     here, we live right next door to each other and
9
     there's an access in between. I tried to go to this.
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      I got the postcard. I tried to pull this up to see
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     the differences and our only concern is that we get a
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     privacy fence along that access road because my
13
     property runs the whole access of that road. I just
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     don't want trash thrown in the yard. We have no -- I
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     have no problem with them building the houses. Is
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     that correct? That's our only concern is that we get
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     a buffer -- not a buffer -- well, a buffer or a
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     privacy fence down -- I don't know what they're
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     calling it. But that access road.
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                WILL MOORE:
                                                 You see the
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     property line and then the buffer, the buffer is
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     already inside that, the backside of those lots.
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                KENNETH GARRISON:
                                                Is there a
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     fence along the backside and on the side? Does it
25
     show a fence?
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                                                Mr. Chairman,
                JAMIE MCCUTCHEON:
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     if I may, we discussed this previously when it was
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     approved and we had the same fencing that we had
29
     previously approved to do. So I believe -- I'm not
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     sure exactly which lots yours is, whether it's to the
     right or left of it, but ---
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                KENNETH GARRISON:
                                                You've got a
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      fence on both sides?
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                JAMIE MCCUTCHEON:
                                                I believe we
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     have a fence on both sides. And we're happy to do
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     that either way. We're taking care of the neighbors.
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                KENNETH GARRISON:
                                                That's all I
38
     had -- I was concerned about.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                                Okay, thank
40
            Thank you. All right, so any questions from the
41
     board at this time. Okay, is anyone prepared to make
42
      a motion?
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                WILL MOORE:
                                                 I am, Mr.
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     Chairman. I would like to make a motion to go ahead
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     and approve this. I feel like it's conducive.
46
     They're coming back with bigger lots. The circular
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     streets look to be something we don't see that often.
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     But I like the way it looks.
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                JAMES MCCLAIN:
                                                 I second
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     that.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Okay. We
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     have a second from Dr. McClain. Any discussion? Call
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      for the vote. Those in favor. It looks unanimous.
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           All right. Moving on to the agenda, any old
5
     business to be brought before the commission?
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           All right, we have no one else that is signed up
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     to speak at the end of the meeting.
8
          We do want to welcome to the board Mr. Michael
9
     Gilreath who will be representing District 3 here.
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     Michael, we're glad to have you. And what a great
11
     time for a pilot to be on the board tonight.
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     very good.
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          Now lastly, we will hear something from staff
14
      concerning the comprehensive plan that's ongoing.
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     you can tell us where that is at this time.
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                ALESIA HUNTER:
                                                  Thank you,
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     Mr. Chair. We have had two series of meetings.
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     Brittany has done a presentation. I think all of you
19
     have been here to hear her presentation. Tyanna is
20
     working with the council and your representative to
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     get locations for the upcoming meetings in the
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     community. So that's where we are. And I believe Ms.
23
     Wilson, your council person, has turned hers in as to
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     where she wants to start having meetings and I believe
25
     she's going to partner up with District 6, which will
26
     be Miss Jane and Mr. Davis, Mr. Will and Mr. Sanders.
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     So we've received the first one. We'll be getting in
28
     touch with you all as we receive additional ones. So
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     that's where we are.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               All right.
31
      Thank you very much. If there's no other business, I
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     will entertain a motion to adjourn.
33
                WILL MOORE:
                                                Second.
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                DAN HARVELL:
                                               Do we have a
35
     second? Okay. No discussion. Those in favor? And
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     we are adjourned.
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MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:37 P.M.

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State of South Carolina)
County of Anderson)

ANDERSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 11, 2023

IN ATTENDANCE:
DAN HARVELL, CHAIRMAN
BRAD BURDETTE
DAVID COCHRAN
JANE JONES
WESLEY GRANT

ALSO PRESENT:
ALISIA HUNTER
HENRY YOUMAN
TIM CARTEE
BRITTANY MCABEE
TYANNA HOLMES
GAYE SPRAGUE

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DAN HARVELL:
                                         Hello.
                                                  Welcome
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 2
                The April 11th, 2023 Anderson County
     everyone.
 3
     Planning Commission Meeting will begin. Let's stand
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     for the invocation and pledge.
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       INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY DAN HARVELL
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                         Okav.
                                                 At this
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     time I would ask the Board Members if I can get a
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     motion, a second and a vote on the approval of the
 9
     agenda.
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              WESLEY GRANT:
                                         Chairman, I make a
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     motion to approve the agenda.
12
                                         Second.
              DAVID COTHRAN:
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                         Okay. Mr. Grant
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     motioned.
               Mr. Cothran second.
                                      Any discussion? Those
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                And unanimous.
     in favor.
         Okay. Now, the approval of minutes of the January
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     10th meeting. The March 14th meeting minutes will be
     forthcoming. Do I have a motion to approve?
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              WESLEY GRANT:
                                         So move.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                         Okay. Mr. Grant.
21
     Do I have a second?
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              JANE JONES:
                                          (Inaudible.)
23
              DAN HARVELL:
                                         A second, Ms.
24
             Any discussion? Those in favor?
                                                And passed.
25
         All right. Moving on to the public hearings.
     Number one, Number Item A on the agenda, Happy Hills
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     RV Park. Staff report and recommendation.
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                         Thank you, Mr.
29
                This is Happy Hills Campground. Twenty-
     Chairman.
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     eight property owners within a 2,000 foot radius were
31
     notified via postcard. The intended development is an
32
               The applicant is Daniel Lockey. There is no
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     surveyor or engineer of record at this time of the
34
     development. The proposed use of the property is to
35
     develop a campground with 11 sites, each containing a
36
     15 foot by 35 foot space. This project includes
37
     water, septic, insulation and power, as well amenities
     including a sand playground, a cookout area and
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39
     laundry facilities. The property is 4.07 acres.
     located on Old Fork School Road, which is state
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     maintained in Council District 4. The surrounding
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     land use is undeveloped. It's also unzoned.
                                                   The tax
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     map number is there for your viewing. They are not
     requesting a variance. Traffic impact analysis is
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     that Old Fork School Road is classified as a collector
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     with no maximum vehicle trips per day.
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         This is the proposed layout of the site.
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     applicant provided this to us. And this is the
49
     location of the proposed RV park.
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         Staff does recommend approval. The project has
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met the requirements in Chapter 24 Land Use. This
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 2
     concludes the staff report.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Thank you. Is the
 4
     developer/owner here?
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              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Yes, sir.
 6
              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Would you like to
 7
     make a presentation?
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              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          (Inaudible.)
 9
              DAN HARVELL:
                                          We would like to
10
     hear from you if we could. Come to the microphone.
11
     State your name, address.
12
              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Daniel Lockey.
13
     You know, there's a lot of kids that -- where I'm from
     -- I live in Travelers Rest -- on drugs. You know, I
14
     would like to help some of the kids, you know, maybe
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     -- maybe this right here will get -- somebody can get
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17
     saved by this little community thing I'm trying to do
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     here.
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         And I don't want nobody to give me nothing. I'll
     work for it. You know, and I -- it's something I
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21
     always wanted to do. I'm a plumber back home and, you
22
     know, maybe this might be my retirement. It'll be a
23
     nice place for kids. You know, no drinking, no drugs,
24
     nothing like that involved. Just something plain --
25
     just something clean.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                         Okay. Does anyone
27
     on the Board have questions of ...
28
                                          And I'm not asking
              DANIEL LOCKEY:
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     anybody to give me nothing.
                                   I'll work for it.
30
                                          I will ask you,
              DAN HARVELL:
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     will this be maintained? Is there someone on site or
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     will this ...
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              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Yes, sir. It will
34
     be maintained. Someone will be on site.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          So someone will be
36
     there all the time?
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              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Three to five days
38
     a week. Not all the time, but three to five days a
39
     week.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Okay.
41
              JANE JONES:
                                          So nobody's living
42
     on the site. This would be somebody coming in and
43
     out?
44
              DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Maybe three days a
     week someone will live there. I got a niece who's
45
46
     kind of handicapped. She said she'd help me out with
47
     it till I get it going if this is approved.
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              JANE JONES:
                                          Uh-huh
49
     (affirmative.) Well, security is a big concern with
50
     these places.
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DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           I will have
 2
     cameras up, ma'am. I will have cameras up.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           Any other
 4
     questions?
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               JANE JONES:
                                           On the site plan,
 6
     the property next to where your site is the one we
 7
     have here in front of us is showing some lots in a row
 8
     there on the road. Are those residences? Are there
 9
     houses there? I can't tell.
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               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           There's nothing
11
     been developed there yet, ma'am. No, ma'am.
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               JANE JONES:
                                          Okay. It's just
13
     drawn -- I couldn't tell --
14
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           Just a raw piece
15
     of land.
16
               JANE JONES:
                                           Where does your
17
     fire protection come from? Fire. Who serves that?
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
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                                           I have no idea,
19
     ma'am.
20
               WESLEY GRANT:
                                           I'm curious. Who
21
     do you think your audience is?
                                       I mean, who would be
22
     using the park. I mean who --
23
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           Well, it's going
24
     to be a --
25
               WESLEY GRANT:
                                          I mean, is it
26
     construction workers coming in town? Is it people
27
     visiting?
28
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           You know, it might
29
     bring a little revenue to that little town too there,
     you know. The boat ramp ain't but, what, four minutes
30
31
     away. And it may be able to bring a little revenue
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     into that town there, you know, to help that town out.
     There's always looking -- somebody looking, you know. A lot of single parents, they can't afford a eight or
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     nine hundred dollar house payments. I mean, but they
36
     can afford, you know, four-fifty, five hundred bucks a
     month lot rent. You know, that's your water, sewer
37
38
     and trash, so ...
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               JANE JONES:
                                           So you don't have
40
     any set time limit on how long anybody can stay?
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               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           No, ma'am, unless
42
     there's a time limit on it.
43
               JANE JONES:
                                           And where does
     your water come from?
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45
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           I don't know that
46
     either, ma'am. It's on Old School Fork Road, but I
47
     don't know exactly --
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               JANE JONES:
                                           But it's --
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               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                           -- where --
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               JANE JONES:
                                           -- it has to be
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public water?
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 2
                                          Ma'am?
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
 3
               JANE JONES:
                                          It's public water
 4
     I assume?
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               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Yes, ma'am.
                                                        Ιt
 6
     will be public water. Uh-huh (Affirmative.)
 7
               DAN HARVELL:
                                          Do we have any
 8
     questions from the Board?
 9
                                          You have septic
               JANE JONES:
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     for your sewer. I mean --
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
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                                          What I did is --
12
               JANE JONES:
                                          -- what's your
13
     plan to -- you'll have how many septic tanks on the
14
     property?
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               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          The way I did my
16
     homework is six campers per 1500 gallon septic tank.
17
     So I mean, I'll do that myself. Like I say, I'm a
               I mean, I'll do the water and the sewer
18
     plumber.
19
     myself.
20
               JANE JONES:
                                          Okay.
21
               DAN HARVELL:
                                          Anyone else?
22
         Okay. Thank you, sir.
23
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          Thank you.
24
               DAN HARVELL:
                                          At this time, we
25
     have two citizens that are signed up to speak to this.
26
     The first one is Daniel Lockey.
27
               DANIEL LOCKEY:
                                          That's me.
28
               DAN HARVELL:
                                          Oh, that's you.
29
     Okay. I'm sorry.
30
         And I believe the next one is King, Mr. King, Jr.
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     Is there a Mr. King, Mr. K? The last name starts with
32
     a K and there's a Jr. after that. Anyone?
33
         Okay. All right. And at this time, we'll close
34
     the public hearing and I'll ask the Board for a motion
35
     up or down.
36
               DAVID COTHRAN:
                                          Motion to approve.
37
               DAN HARVELL:
                                          We have a motion
38
     to approve from Mr. Cothran. Do I hear a second?
39
     I hear a second? I will second for reason of further
     discussion. We'll now have a period of discussion if
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41
     anyone on the Board would like to share any views
42
     about why you would or would not be in favor of this.
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               JANE JONES:
                                          There are a lot of
44
     unanswered questions.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                          Pardon?
46
               JANE JONES:
                                          There are a lot of
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     unanswered questions, you know, but this is
48
     preliminary, I guess.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Okay. Anyone
50
     else?
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WESLEY GRANT:
                                         I quess I'm
 2
     struggling with the potential planned use of the RV
 3
     park. Who would use it? I mean, what are they
     visiting for? You know, I'm not quite clear on that.
 4
 5
     Does it fit the surrounding area?
 6
              DAN HARVELL:
                                         I will ask the
 7
     staff.
             Do we have anything in any ordinance that
 8
     deals with time limitation in any way on these
 9
     potential RV parks?
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              ALESIA HUNTER:
                                          No, sir.
11
              DAN HARVELL:
                                          We do not?
12
              ALESIA HUNTER:
                                          No, sir.
13
              DAN HARVELL:
                                           Okay.
                                                 That for
14
     clarification. All right.
                                  That being, are we ready
     to vote? All right. Those in favor of approval,
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16
     please raise your hand? Those not in favor? Okay.
17
     And so ordered. Okay. So David you voted yes.
         Okay. All right. Moving onto the next issue.
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     Number B, Amendment, a rezoning amendment located off
19
20
     Highway 76. I believe this up at Arthrex, correct?
21
              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                         That's correct.
22
              DAN HARVELL:
                                         Okay. Go ahead.
23
              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                         As stated this is
24
     the Highway 76 IZD Amendment. Sixty property owners
25
     within a 2000 foot radius were notified via postcard.
26
     To give you a little bit of a history of this IZD and
27
     why we're here today is that the Planning Commission
28
     did recommend approval for the original rezoning on
29
     July 12, 2022. So that was last year. County Council
     rezoned the property on August 16th, 2022.
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     applicant is here today because he would like to
32
     increase density according to the county ordinance.
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     Anytime you increase density and reduce open space,
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     that requires the whole rezoning process again. So he
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     is amending that. The reason he is amending that to
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     increase that density is that the availability and
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     capacity of sewer does support higher density at that
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     location. And to the staff report, the applicant is
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     Idea River, LLC. Current owner is Ernest W. Garrison,
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          It's located on Highway 76 in the Denver Sandy
     Springs Precinct in Council District 4. The tax map
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     number is there for your viewing. It's approximately
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     19.1 acres.
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         As a preview of what the Innovative Zoning
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     District is, it is a development that would result in
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     improved design, character and quality of new
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     developments, as well as preserving natural and --
     natural and open spaces. The purpose of the IZD is to
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     allow developers flexibility in creating a product
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     that may not normally be allowed under traditional
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zoning districts. The surrounding land use, as you
      can see is the I1. That is your Arthrex. Everything
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      else around it is C2, which is highly commercial
     district. The request is, as I stated before, is to increase the density from 176 apartment units, which
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     is what the Commission approved last year. He wants
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      to increase that to 250 units. The amendment is
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      reducing open space from 62.1 percent to 57.4 percent.
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     Amenities, such as the club house, pool, playground
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      area and commercial space along Highway 76 is
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      remaining the same.
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          This is the proposed layout of the new IZD with
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      that kind of increased density. And this is the
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aerial view and the zoning map.

Staff does recommend approval since the project does have access and greater sewer capacity than what was believed last year. So we do recommend approval based on the requirements in Chapter 48. concludes the staff report.

DAN HARVELL: Okay. Thank you. Do we have someone representing the property here to speak? Anyone from Idea River, LLC or the owner, Ernest Garrison?

Okay. We do have one citizen signed up to speak to this. And that's Laura Rhodes. Please state your name and address. And you did not check on here whether or not you live within 2,000 feet of this property?

LAURA RHODES: I thought I checked no. But we have property that joins that and we have property across the road from that.

DAN HARVELL:

LAUREL RHODES: I'm Laura Rhodes.

I live at 5029 Briar Creek here in Anderson 29625. And I'm speaking for my husband and he's in the hospital, but I had some questions and he really did want to come. He wanted to know where is the exit and entrance going to be, you know, off of Highway 76 to get to these apartments.

> DAN HARVELL: And could you --

could you address that?

LAURA RHODES: Do you want me to

state all my questions now or one at a time?

DAN HARVELL: Yeah. Go ahead.

Go ahead and state your questions all at once and then we'll ...

LAURA RHODES: Okay. And will there be a privacy fence to prevent residents from wandering on the neighbor's property, because ours is just in front of that and it's vacant. And it would

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be very easy for them to cut through to get to Highway
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     76. We do have a driveway there to get to our
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     property.
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         And the next question is -- maybe she stated it,
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     but I did not understand it -- what type of apartments
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     are these going to be? And I understood that it was
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     going to be 250 apartments. I could be mistaken so
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     please correct me.
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         That's my questions. Is that all?
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Okay. Yes, ma'am.
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     Thank you.
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              LAURA RHODES:
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                                          And we'll have
              DAN HARVELL:
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     staff address those.
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                          Okay. So the
     Commission is voting on the density increase only. If
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     you don't vote for -- say you deny this density
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     increase, the apartments remain. They can still go
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     back to the 176 that you guys approved last year.
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         But to touch on her comments, the entrance is
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     still in the same place. The privacy fence, I don't
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     quite remember what kind of buffers he is proposing at
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     this time, but he will be required to do some type of
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     buffering system.
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         As far as the type of apartments that it is, I do
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     believe he's going for a garden style. So that's your
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     typical, like three-story apartment complex.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          All right. Okav.
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     There's no one else signed up to speak so I'll close
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     the public hearing at this time.
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         Do any of the Commissioners have any questions for
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     the staff?
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              WESLEY GRANT:
                                          So what was the
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     increase, the density increase?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Anyone else?
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              JANE JONES:
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     up there, the buildings that are highlighted in brown,
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     is that the new part? Or all of it?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                          It's all of it.
     He rearranged the buildings a little bit.
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              WESLEY GRANT:
                                          Did he share with
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     staff why he needed to increase the density?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                          Yes. So
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     originally when he came before the Commission last
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     year, I believe he had gotten some incorrect capacity
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     numbers as far as sewer availability. When he was
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     actually developing this and in the design process, he
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     discovered that there's more sewer capacity there than
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     what he was originally led to believe. So that is the
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     reason for the increase in density and also the reason
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     why staff is recommending approval.
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              WESLEY GRANT:
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     say had he known that originally, he would have asked
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     for this in the beginning?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     the applicant, but I would think so.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     clarification, we're actually -- the vote that we're
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     taking is only for basically a restating of the
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     zoning, correct?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     to the statement of intent and also the plan. It
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     really boils down to a slight 5 percent -- less than 5
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     percent decrease in open space. And that increase
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     from 176 units to 250 is what the Commission is voting
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     on tonight.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     questions? Okay. All right. I will ask for a motion
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     for or against from the Commission.
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              WESLEY GRANT:
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     motion we approve.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     makes a motion to approve. Do I have a second?
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     from Mr. Cothran. Any discussion? All right. Those
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     in favor of approval, please raise your hand. And
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     unanimous.
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         All right. The next item on the agenda is The
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     Meadows at Flowing Rock in Council District 7.
     this time I'll ask for the staff report on that.
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                         Thank you, Mr.
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     Chairman. This is The Meadows at Flowing Rock.
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     Twenty-five property owners within that 2000 foot
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     radius were notified via postcard again. This
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     project, if approved, will be classified as a private
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     road subdivision. You were -- this may seem familiar
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     because this was heard last month. It was tabled at
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     the March 14th, 2023 Planning Commission Public
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               The Commission tabled it to check on the
     Hearing.
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     status of the private airport that is across the road
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     and located in Abbeville County.
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         Anderson County Airport staff did review the
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     proposed subdivision and have no concern regarding the
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     development. They also reached out to the South
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     Carolina Aeronautics Commission. They have no
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     concerns as well.
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         This is to be a single-family dwelling intended
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     development. Applicant is Zachary Hunsader. The
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surveyor/engineer is John Moore. It's located on
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     Highway 252, which is state maintained in Council
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     District 7. The surrounding land use is residential
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     agricultural and the zoning is RA, as well. The tax
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     map number is there for your viewing. It's 58.16
     acres. He's proposing 10 lots. No variance is being
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     requested. Highway 252 is classified as a major
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     arterial with no maximum trips per day. Just for the
     Commission's information, that area being zoned RA
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     does have a one-acre minimum lot size. So 10 lots is
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     significantly less than what he could potentially get
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     under a subdivision ordinance. Additionally, he could
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     potentially do this via summary plat as well.
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     would just not be 10 lots initially.
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         And this is the preliminary plat. And this is the
     aerial view. The airport that is in question is
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     actually diagonally south from this parcel. And this
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     is the zoning map.
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         Staff does recommend approval. The project has
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     met the requirements in both Chapter 24 Land Use as
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     well as Chapter 48 Zoning. This concludes the staff
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     report.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     on the fact that we tabled this last time, I'll need
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     to call for a motion to bring it back for
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     reconsideration so that we can go ahead and discuss
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     this.
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     from Mr. Cothran.
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              WESLEY GRANT:
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     Grant.
             Those in favor. We have no discussion on
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     tabling or un-tabling.
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         All right. Mr. Hunsader, are you here?
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              ZACH HUNSADER:
                                         Council, my name
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     is Zach Hunsader. I live at 40 Silesian Court,
     Pelzer, South Carolina. So I don't know if -- what
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     Brittany mentioned to you guys is satisfactory as far
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     as the FAA requirements. I actually reached out to
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     the FAA myself and I have something for you guys to
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     look at if you would like.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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              ZACH HUNSADER:
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     correspondence with them. So what you have in front
     of you is just an aerial view to kind of give you
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     reference, since the airport is not been up on the
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     screen. So the yellow arrow that you see is the
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center of the runway that was under consideration.

The yellow -- I'm sorry. That's the yellow arrow.

The orange perimeter line is the line around my property that we're talking about. It is roughly 300 feet from the corner of my property to the center of that runway.

On the following page you will find my initial email to the FAA. And I spoke with the safety operations manager for the state of South Carolina. And so my -- I just have some points highlighted just so you guys know, you know, later on what I'm referencing. So I let him I know I have a 60-acre development, single-family dwellings, and that all my research had shown that the FAA does not regulate zoning or land use.

On the second page of the emails, I mentioned attached you will find a screen shot of the issue of proximity of my property in relation to the end of one of the runways. You can see my property perimeter highlighted by an orange line. The runway they are talking about is the yellow line with arrow. My property corner is over 300 feet away from the end of the runway they have issue with.

And then I referenced another conversation where it says Randy, another gentleman I spoke with at the FAA. Randy let me know that my research was correct. No such regulations exist.

Okay. And then next is the response of the safety manager. His name is Lanny Watkins. There's a picture of him at the bottom, just to make sure we're on the same page together. He said, good afternoon. In the circumstances you describe, the FAA does not regulate the use of your land so long as any construction is not contrary to Title XIV Code of Federal Regulation Part 77. And here in a moment, I'll actually -- it's attached, this regulation that Lanny is talking about so you guys can see for yourself.

Flip to the next page. It's a subsequent email that he sent to me after -- I'd spoken to him once on the phone. He gave me his phone number there so we could clarify. And it says, also, I am unable to locate any code or Federal Regulation or United States Code that requires a private property owner to provide an emergency landing area for any aircraft.

Okay. If you turn again, it would take you to Chapter 77 that Lanny referenced. And he mentioned that it had to meet that requirement. In a phone call with Lanny he -- what he let me know because this is one of the questions I had. Does this apply to everyone or is this specific to me because of my proximity to the airport? And he let me know, no,

this is something that everyone here would have to abide by. You can't build a 200 foot structure without getting approval from the FAA. Chapter 77 of this code deals with impeding navigable air space. So obviously, with single-family dwellings, we're not looking to put up 200 foot structures. So this would apply to me as well everyone in this room.

So it's 77.9. If you flip two pages, I have some more highlights, which will -- I'll just explain to you guys briefly what he was referencing. So this is construction. It's titled Construction or Alteration -- Alterations Requiring Notice. And so Part A, it says any construction or alteration that is more than 200 feet tall. Now, obviously, we're not doing that. Part B is a restriction on distances from the beginning and end of runways, but only certain runways. And those runways, because it mentions Part As you'll see, I have D, D, D highlighted. part D of this section. Part D of this section is also highlighted underneath and so numbers 1, 2 and 3 are only applicable if Part D is applicable. Part D lists different types of airports. A public use airport, a military airport under construction, an airport operated by a federal agency or the Department of Defense and an airport or heliport with at least one FAA approved instrument-approach procedure. morning, I spoke with a gentleman who confirmed, no, there is no instrument, you know, instrument approach for the Honea Path Airport.

Regardless of all of that, I just wanted you guys to see. I meet all these requirements anyway. But this -- under only certain circumstances are they even regulated, you know, the takeoff and, you know, the landing ends of the runway.

I spoke with Jim Jones, a gentleman with the airport yesterday, and we had a great conversation about trying to work together to maybe help this development work for the airport in allowing possible future building sites for people around the country who would like to come and be a part of the airport, pending the club itself actually inviting those people in.

And so something I wanted to mention, not just for the Council's benefit but also for those that are here tonight, I intend to restrict this property. I am not just going to let, you know, let everything go. I have a couple of pages worth already I have sent to Brittany. But, you know, they're not really applicable at this moment. But some of the restrictions that I -- you know, you've got to

maintain your yard. There can't be junk cars. Not dogs out on chains. You know, these are just a list of random things that I intend to do. And one of them, I think is going to hopefully calm, calm some people is that I am not allowing single-wide trailers. I do currently have in my plan to allow doublewides, only factory new on permanent foundations; however, I am considering removing that as well and just making it site-built homes. That is not something I am solidified on. A lot depends on the economy and what happens with it and my ability to sell this property. And I will do what I feel like is going to be in my best interest to be able to move it. If I can't move it one way, then I might have to shift another way.

So that concludes my presentation. Thank you for your consideration.

DAN HARVELL: Okay. Thank you.

We may be calling you back.

ZACH HUNSADER: Okay.

DAN HARVELL: All right. At this time we'll open the public comment. Mr. Jim Jones is first.

JIM JONES: My name is Jim Jones, 8637 Highway 252 in Honea Path. And thank you for this opportunity. As Zach mentioned I met him for the first time yesterday evening and I was very impressed with this young man's business sense. And he showed me an attitude of a hard worker and that's -- you don't see that much anymore. And so that struck me very well.

As a little bit of background, I've been in aviation 48 years, been flying. It started out as a hobby, then it was a profession. Then -- now that I'm retired, it's a hobby again. I have a private rating, commercial rating, instrument rating, multi-engine rating and I'm also a certified mechanic and a FAA aircraft inspector. So I've been involved in aviation for a very long time and it's been a passion of mine.

Right now I currently in retirement restore World War II aircraft and teach kids, the youth and even adults, about the history of these aircraft. History that's not even being taught in high schools anymore.

One thing that struck me at the last meeting is it was -- it was a discovery of the Commission that there was an airport across the highway. And so I wanted to present some information that even you may not know about. All across America people in the aviation world are looking for places to build a house, looking for places to put an airplane. And you can actually go out to a website called living with your airplane

dot com and you can see flying communities all across the country.

I bring that up because of this, and I mentioned this to Zach and he touched on it just a moment ago. There are people that own aircraft and have been in aviation for a long time that are looking for places. And these are people that are typically entrepreneurs, higher income, usually higher education, and have more assets that are available that would be most interested in what Zach is doing, for an example.

And I have -- I brought the aviation publications to show you the real estate ads in here that don't last long because people come in and buy these properties. I had a call just three weeks ago from a gentleman in California. He called me about some airplane parts. And he said, oh, by the way, do you have property at your airport because I want to get out of California, and I'd move to South Carolina if you had property there. So for him to move here and put in a \$500,000 or \$600,000 home on Zach's property and build a hangar at our airport and bring his airplane, it would be a drop in the hat to him. That's really nothing.

So my point is that there are people that want to do that. Coming over here, I talked to a good friend of mine named Tom Thibodeau --

DAN HARVELL: Time.

JIM JONES: -- and he had --

time?

DAN HARVELL: Time.
JIM JONES: Time?

DAN HARVELL: Yeah. I failed

to mention there is a three-minute time limit.

JIM JONES:

I'm just asking the Commission in mentioning it, don't leave money on the table here. I'd like to push this out for 30 days and get more information to you on that.

DAN HARVELL: Okay. Thank

you, Mr. Jones. Gerald Roach.

GERALD ROACH: Gerald Roach, 100 Princeton Highway, Honea Path. I just want to ask a couple of questions about what type homes would be on it. And I think Zach answered that.

And we join the property at the back. We have a cattle farm. And that's our concern is with our cattle. We need a buffer zone, which there are a buffer zone there between us and the creek and we want to try to work with Zach maybe to purchase it. And that would give us a buffer zone. He has offered it to us as a -- I believe it's 9.7 acres and he has

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So that's what we want to do.
     offered it to us.
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         And I just wanted to say now what happens if these
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     tracts don't sell and he decides he wants to subdivide
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     it again? I mean, is that a possibility that he could
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     do that after this is approved?
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     comments and then we'll ask staff, okay?
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              GERALD ROACH:
                                            That's about
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           That's about all.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     you, sir.
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         Brittany, can you speak to that?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     is a subdivision, any further subdivision or increase
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     in lots does require it coming back to the Commission.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     back to us if any changes were made, other than what
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     we already see on paper here?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     lots, it would come back to the Commission. If he
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     changes some like lot lines or if he were to sell a
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     portion of the property, that wouldn't require
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     Planning Commission approval, but the increase in lots
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     would.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     you. All right. Next is Scott Grandfield.
     Scott Grandfield, 82 Princeton Highway. I'm in a
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     unique position. I'm involved with the airport,
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     heavily involved with the airport working with Jim and
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     Tom Thibodeau. And also I own farm property right
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     next to Gerald and Suzanne, the person you just talked
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         I'm interested in the safety aspect. When I first
     heard about the first meeting, I apologize I wasn't
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     here. That I was a little bit surprised that people
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     didn't know there was an airport there. I think Zach
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     has basically addressed a lot of those concerns,
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     talking to the FAA, things like that.
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         On the farm side, I'm also a small hobby farmer
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     and I'm going to be doing some honeybees, things like
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     that. Also I'm concerned about buffer areas.
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     you.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     All right.
                 The next speaker, I do not -- I cannot
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     make out the writing. I'm sorry. This speaker is
     before Regene McCall and before Al Young. So whoever
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     -- whoever hasn't spoken.
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              JIM TAYLOR:
                                            Jim Taylor.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                            Oh, yes, Jim
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     Taylor. Okay. I'm sorry.
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Thank you, Mr.

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BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     I make a correction --
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              DAN HARVELL:
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     his way to the mic. I did forget that this is a
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     private-road subdivision, and because it is a private-
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     road subdivision, he is limited to only 10 lots. He
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     cannot go more than that without upgrading that road
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     to county standards, which would trigger Planning
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     Commission approval. But if he wants to keep it at
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     that private road, gravel road minimum, it'll be 10
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     lots forever.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     road minimum, meaning it could be paved and that would
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     be the same thing, right?
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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     upgrade it to county standards, he could further
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     subdivide, but this new ordinance that allows these
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     private roads, it's expensive to build a road to
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     county standards.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     you. Mr. Taylor, my apologizes.
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              JIM TAYLOR:
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                My name is Jim Taylor. I live at 201
     apologies.
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     Sunset Drive in Honea Path, South Carolina. And I'm
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     before you this afternoon representing the town of
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     Honea Path and just simply the concerns of the future
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     of the town of Honea Path.
         And I was really pleased and enlightened to hear
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     the discussion between Jim and Zach. That warms my
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     heart. I think that's definitely headed in the right
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     direction. And I would certainly encourage this body
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     to do everything they can in their power to try and
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     promote what we have going on here, because having had
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     the opportunity to travel extensively when I was in
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     sales and marketing throughout Canada and throughout
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     the United States, what he is saying is the truth. A
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     lot of money goes around with airplanes, especially
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     when they're coming from California.
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         But my apologies to all of you. I'm dealing with
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     famillial hand tremor, one of the joys of being a
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     little bit older. So that was the poor handwriting
     you got up there. But we appreciate your time. And
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     we certainly encourage you to do what we can to
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     support Zach and Jim and the rest of this concerned
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     group to find a good balance and a win/win situation
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     for all the parties. That's all I have.
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DAN HARVELL:

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own and we'll make it.

1 Taylor. 2 JIM TAYLOR: Yes, sir. 3 DAN HARVELL: And last on the 4 list is Mr. Al Young. Oh, no. I'm sorry. Yes, yes, 5 I'm sorry. Ms. McCall. I'm sorry. My apologies. 6 REGINA MCCALL: It's okay. 7 Well, I just -- Zach did answer some of the 8 questions because we didn't know the housing part. 9 pray he does not go with the doublewide or even if 10 they're on concrete or anything, because it is a 11 beautiful piece of property. I'd give anything if 12 he'd sell it as a whole, but he can't. But I do -- I'm glad I eventually called the 13 14 airport people, because I like what they're talking about as far as, you know, some nicer homes. Just 15 16 some different things like that is just better for the 17 economy. You know, to make the country look better. 18 I mean, I'm just not wanting to see trailers and, you 19 know, things like that because -- I guess my worst 20 fear was is when say he sells five acres. They put a doublewide on it and that person, you know, financed 21 22 the land to get the doublewide and in five years can't 23 pay for it. And then they take the land, and then 24 what's going to happen there. It just goes downhill 25 in my eyes. I mean, we have a place called Deerfield 26 Acres not far, on the other side of Honea Path, that that gentleman had the same idea as Zach but it's -- I 27 28 wouldn't let my dog live there. I mean, you know, so 29 that's my worst fear because, you know, of things like that. But I'm glad to see that they are talking, so 30 31 . . . 32 DAN HARVELL: Thank you, Ms. 33 McCall. Now, Mr. Young. 34 AL YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, 35 Commissioners, thank you for letting us be here this 36 evening. You know, I've heard a lot of -- and 37 actually, I've already received a number of answers in the conversations that's going on at this time. And I 38 39 don't think it's so much about money as it is about 40 the future of the property, the little airport, which 41 has a tremendous amount of history behind it and is 42 one of the few things in our small area that's left 43 that does have history. Many of the other things have 44 been bulldozed over the years. And Honea Path is certainly out there on the very edge of the county and 45 46 quite often feels like well, we just get overlooked a 47 little bit, but, you know, that's okay. We're on our

But I do encourage you to at least give this --

rather than charge into a decision on this, I think it

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would be wonderful if there was an opportunity for us
     to sit down with the developer and clarify these
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     points on the restrictions and those type things.
     there apparently is some conversation about the size
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     of the house that's going to go on it. Get those
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     things get cleared up, and before a final decision is
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     made. And I think that's extraordinarily important in
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     the future of this whole project.
                                         Thank you.
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                                           Thank you, Mr.
              DAN HARVELL:
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            All right. At this time I will entertain a
     Young.
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     motion for approval or non-approval from the Board.
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           Motion to
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     approve.
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           We have a motion
     to approve from Mr. Cothran. Do I have a second.
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              BRAD BURDETTE:
                                           Second.
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                                           We have a second
              DAN HARVELL:
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     from Mr. Burdette. Discussion amongst the Board.
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              JANE JONES:
                                           I had a question
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     about -- Zach, did he ask for more time to discuss
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     this? I know the last gentleman asked for some time
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     to discuss. Is that something that --
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           You're asking if
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     the applicant?
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           Yes.
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              JANE JONES:
                                            Zach.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                            Zach, yeah.
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              JANE JONES:
                                            Yeah, the
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     applicant. Yes. Did you ask for more time to discuss
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     this with --
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               ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            I did not.
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                                            Well, the man in
               JANE JONES:
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     the yellow shirt. I didn't know if I understood what
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     he was saying, if he said that. I just wanted to
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     clarify it. That's just a yes or no?
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              JIM JONES:
                                            Yes.
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     suggesting that we maybe look at -- spend another 30
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     days or take another 30 days or whatever to look at
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     this and talk about the benefits that the airport
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     could provide to Zach and his development. But also
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     to the county in increased revenue by -- instead of
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     $65,000 for lots --
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              JANE JONES:
                                            I thought that
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     was what you were --
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               JIM JONES:
                                            So it was just a
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     suggestion that rather -- and Mr. Young mentioned it,
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     rather than going headlong into this thing, there
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     might -- we might be able to realize a win/win,
     win/win for everybody if we just take our time and
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     discuss it a little more. But I was just presenting
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the alternative of --
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              JANE JONES:
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     make sure I understood that you said that. Thank you.
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              DAN HARVELL:
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     ask Mr. Hunsader, would you be amenable to that? Just
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               ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            (Inaudible.)
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                            Please, please
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     come to the microphone. I'm sorry.
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               ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            I would prefer
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     for you guys to take a vote tonight even the absence
     of some. I am not one to stir the pot with the
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     community. I want this to work for everyone, which is
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     why I mentioned tonight on record that I'm even
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     considering making only site-built homes, or only
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     allowing site-built homes on the property. We're
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     going to work together; I can promise you that.
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              JANE JONES:
                                            Thank you.
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     just -- you know, we want the best thing for Honea
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     Path and I just want to make sure we didn't get this
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     in the wrong order.
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               ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            Okay.
                                                   No,
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     ma'am.
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              JANE JONES:
                                            Okay.
                                                   Thank
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     you.
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              ZACH HUNSADER:
                                                 I've had
                                            No.
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     most of these people actually come and tell me how
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     good the place looks since I bought it. Most of the
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     community has, so no, it's going to --
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              JANE JONES:
                                            I just wanted to
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     make sure --
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               ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            -- whatever is
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     there is going to be nice. And what I've already done
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     there has been a major improvement over what it's been
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     over the last 25 years.
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              JANE JONES:
                                            Thank you.
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              ZACH HUNSADER:
                                            Thank you.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                            Okay.
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     say this is my district. I am pretty much connected
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     to the airport myself based on my life history in
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     Honea Path. I have no financial interest in it, but I
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     certainly do have a personal interest. I think the
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     airport is the absolute gem of Honea Path.
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     Unfortunately, Honea Path has lost a lot of its
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     historical properties. I guess I'd attribute that to
     lack of foresight of saving some historical things
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     that we should have saved. But anyway the airport
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     remains. And it seems to be the brightest shining
     star of Honea Path at this time.
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         And I think, based on what we've heard, there's a
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lot of opportunity there for good. For a potential 2 win/win win/win situation for everybody involved here. 3 So that being said actually, because of my 4 personal involvement, I would actually normally recuse 5 myself from this because I have kind of an emotional 6 involvement in it. If I were to do that tonight, it 7 would cause us not to have a quorum. So I'm really 8 caught here. This is -- this is -- this is difficult 9 for me because I -- I am -- honestly, I'm just 10 emotionally involved in this. And --11 JANE JONES: Well, you 12 represent the District. 13 DAN HARVELL: Yes, I do 14 represent the District. So having said that, I hope 15 I'm proper in being able to go ahead and vote on this. So I will go ahead and call for the vote now. 16 17 that are in favor of approving based on what you've 18 heard tonight, please raise your hand. Okay. Thank 19 you very much. And we certainly hope for the best for 20 all of you. Okay. Thank you. 21 The next item is the Shores Estates Okay. 22 Subdivision. And I'm going to ask for the staff 23 report at this time. 24 BRITTANY MCABEE: Thank you, Mr. 25 This is Shores Estates. 177 property Chairman. 26

owners live within a 2000 foot radius were notified via postcard. This is going to be a single-family intended development. Applicant is G. Ansel King. The surveyor/engineer of record is Ridgewater. It's located on Shore Drive, which is county maintained in Council District 4. The tax map number is there for your viewing. Surrounding land use is residential and the whole area is zoned R20. It's six lots on 4.7 acres. They are not requesting a variance. Traffic impact analysis is this development accesses Shore Drive, which is classified as a minor local roadway with maximum daily volume of 500. With the number of lots currently served by Shore the road has the potential to carry 240 trips per day. With the proposed subdivision the road would carry 292 trips per day, still under the minor local maximum volume.

This is the preliminary plat with its access on Shore Drive. And this is the aerial view. And the zoning map.

Staff does recommend approval. This project has met the requirements in both Chapter 24 Land Use, as well as Chapter 48, Zoning. That concludes the staff report.

DAN HARVELL: Thank you. this time, can we hear from the developer/owner? Name and address, please.

ANSEL KING: Ansel King. I live at 225 Baldwin Road, Seneca. I want to thank y'all for the opportunity to appear before you and talk about finishing up this project that we started some years ago and got hit by the financial crisis and shut us down, but luckily we had 28 of the -- excuse me -- 27 of the houses built out in this.

This is actually, I guess, could be considered Phase 3 in this project because I started with the lake lots. And then we went around the perimeter of this property. And about the time the financial crisis hit, we — there was no activity whatsoever. So we got stopped and are just now trying to resurrect this and this old plat that I have. We don't have one up here, but even the lot numbers are contiguous. We had planned to go this route from day one. So this is just a continuation and a finish up of this project.

The houses are single family out there. These will also be single family. They will probably be in the 250 to 300 range. They'll be a little more diverse than the ones that are there. But a young builder by the name of Austin Mears, who is a Clemson grad, and two of his cohorts are Clemson Engineering grads as well, and they build a really nice house. And they have interest in completing this with me.

So there'll be a total -- you're voting on six lots, but there'll be a total of nine that will have houses because there are three -- one of the lake lots 12 and lots 35 and 34 have been recorded. I've been paying the higher taxes on them for all these years, and suspect that that's why we didn't include the six at the time of -- when everything shut down, because we didn't know when it would kick back off. The tract tax rate is considerably different than the platted lots. So -- but that was the intent from day one to finish this and it will be in keeping with the quiet enjoyment that these people have had out there for these number of years. Will not do anything to distract from their property values. And I think will be at or above where many of these houses would be value-wise.

I am working with Ridgewater Engineering. And unfortunately Wesley -- and he told me this early on, that he would have a problem being here. He and his family are on vacation. We offered to delay it and he said I don't see any reason to. It's pretty straightforward and so we're asking for us to be able to finish out this project as intended with single-family homes and close this chapter. I'm trying to

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clean up a lot of loose ends and with this gray hair,
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     you can tell, it's probably time. But I would
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     appreciate your consideration of this and glad to
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     answer any questions.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           All right. We
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     may call you back.
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               ANSEL KING:
                                           Okay.
                                                  Thank you.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           All right.
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     believe we have a Mr. King.
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               ANSEL KING:
                                           That was me.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           That was you.
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     Okay.
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               ANSEL KING:
                                           (Inaudible.)
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           All right. Yeah.
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     That's right. Okay. Not another Mr. King, but you.
     All right. So we have no one else -- we have no one
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     else signed up to speak to this matter. So at this
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     time I will close the public hearing and ask for a
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     motion from the Board.
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               DAVID COTHRAN:
                                            So move.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                            We have a motion
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     to approve by Mr. Cothran.
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               WESLEY GRANT:
                                            Second.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                            We have a second
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     from Mr. Grant. Any discussion? Those in favor,
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     raise your hand. And unanimous. Thank you.
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         Okay. At this time, was anyone signed up for
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     public comments on any non-agenda item?
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              MALE:
                                           I didn't know
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     there was a sign up list.
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           Mr. Henry, was
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     there a sign up list for non-agenda there?
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              HENRY YOUMANS:
                                          No, normally --
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     Mr. Chairman, normally if there are anything on non-
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     agenda items it is the Chairman's discretion to move
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     forth and --
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               DAN HARVELL:
                                           Okay. If anyone
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     wishes to speak on an item that wasn't on the agenda,
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     you're welcome to now. If you'll come to the
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     microphone and state your name and address.
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              MALE:
                                           This is our first
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     time here -- first time here and we never knew that
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     there was a sign-up list to (inaudible).
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               JANE JONES:
                                           You don't have to
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     sign up if you --
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               DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           Excuse me. What
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     are you referring to? Did you want to speak on this
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     last --
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               MALE:
                                           The Shore Drive
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      (inaudible.)
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DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           Yeah, that's what
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     he wanted.
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                                           We came in and we
              MALE:
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     didn't know anything about a sign-up list.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           Were you here
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     after the -- after the 6:00 gavel?
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              MALE:
                                           No.
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     before that. Nobody said you had to signed up to
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     talk. But when it came up that after Mr. King did his
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     thing, we would be able to make some comments.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           All right.
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     sorry, but at this stage I quess it's a moot point.
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     I'm sorry you were not aware of our procedure here.
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         Anyone else speaking on non-agenda items.
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              MALE:
                                           What a waste.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           Sir?
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              MALE:
                                           What a waste.
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              COLE PARKER:
                                           My name is Cole
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              I have a farm on Old Forks School Road
     Parker.
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     located at 3140 Old Forks School Road. I just want to
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     say that I personally was sort of biting my nails when
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     this presentation came on, because I contacted
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     Planning and Development multiple times and repeatedly
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     was told an inaccurate tax number as to what was in
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     that presentation. And kind of like when the airport
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     group was here, we would have had a whole lot of
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     people, because our community is pretty tightknit.
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     And nobody chose to come because the TMS number on --
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     even on this agenda sheet ends in 0001. And on the
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     presentation, it's 015. And just for future reference
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     all around there is planned single-family site-built
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     houses, so ...
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           Okay.
                                                  Let's let
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     the staff address that.
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
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                                           Okay.
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     reason the tax map number changed, I wanted to give
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     you guys an opportunity to have more accurate -- so
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     when we divide property in Anderson County, it takes
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     about a year to get a new tax map number. They don't
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     immediately sign those. So the original tax map
     number that you received was the parent parcel.
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     parent parcel is actually on Highway 247. Is that the
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     correct highway?
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              COLE PARKER:
                                           243.
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              BRITTANY MCABEE:
                                           243. So the
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     parent parcel TMS was actually on 243. This was a big
     parcel hook. Well, finally, like about a week before
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     this meeting, they actually updated the tax map
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     numbers. So for this information, I did update the
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     tax map number on the presentation. But to -- if you
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can see what I'm talking about -- do you see how all
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     of these have new? Because when this screen shot was
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     taken these did not have updated tax map numbers.
     That new tax map number was just updated last week,
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     which is where the confusion came from.
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     apologize on behalf of our --
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              COLE PARKER:
                                          I'm not blaming
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           I just wanted to make it known in case it was a,
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     you know, a clerical error of some sort and prevent it
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     from happening in the future. But obviously, that
     wasn't in your control. But I guess what I'm talking
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     about, for future reference, there's going to be a lot
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     of single-family housing on there. And I know that
     area very well, that section of the town, or that area
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     in the corner of Anderson County. There's -- on that
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     road in between 243 and Highway 85, there is no
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     modular homes and mobile homes, anything like that.
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     It's all site-built houses. Nothing super new, but
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     any sort of, you know, RV trailer park would kind of
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     be out of --
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              TIM CARTEE:
                                          Point of order,
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     Mr. Chairman. This is for non-agenda items.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Yeah, you're
24
     right.
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              COLE PARKER:
                                          Sorry. Sorry.
26
     All right. Well, then I'm done.
                                        Thank you guys.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          Thank you.
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     All right.
                 Sir.
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              MALE:
                                          I'm with him.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                          You're with him?
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            All right. Is there any old business to be
     Okay.
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     attended to?
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         Okay. Otherwise, do I have a motion to adjourn?
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              WESLEY GRANT:
                                           So moved.
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              DAN HARVELL:
                                           We have a motion
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     from Mr. Grant.
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              DAVID COTHRAN:
                                           Second.
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                                           A second by Mr.
              DAN HARVELL:
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     -- and no discussion. Those in favor, please vote.
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         Thank you.
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          (MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 7:00 P.M.)
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Anderson County Planning Commission

June 13, 2023 6:00 PM

Staff Report

Consent Agenda:

The following subdivision has exceeded the preliminary approval time limit. The developer requests an extension (renewal) to proceed with development. This subdivision complies with Anderson County Subdivision Regulations. Staff requests that this subdivision be renewed with staff conditions as previously approved.

1) Cherokee Knoll Subdivision

Developer: Cherokee Knoll LLC

Location: Cherokee Rd. Boggs Dr. Nannies Cr.

Number of Lots: 25 (Previously 30)

Preliminary Approval Date: May 20, 2021

Anderson County Planning Commission

June 13, 2023 6:00 PM

Staff Report - Preliminary Subdivision

117 property owners within 2000' of the proposed development were notified via postcard The original PD was heard by Planning Commission and subsequently approved by County Council in 2004. In 2019, a major amendment to relocate the amenity area was heard by the Planning Commission then approved by County Council on March 5, 2019. This is a preliminary plat that meets the requirements set forth in the approved, amended statement of intent and conceptual plan.

Preliminary Subdivision Name: Rocky River Subdivision

Intended Development: Single Family

Applicant: Rocky River Falls, LLC

Surveyor/Engineer: Nu South

Location/Access: Cox Rd (County) & Highway 29 N (State)

County Council District: 7

Surrounding Land Use: Residential

Zoning: PD (Planned Development)

Tax Map Number: 173-00-04-025

Number of Acres: +/- 108.61 acres

Number of Lots: 255

Variance: No

Traffic Impact Analysis:

Cox Rd is classified as a major urban collector, and Highway 29 N is classified as a principal arterial. Both classifications have no maximum average vehicle trips per day.

Staff Recommendation: Sec. 24-335.

At the planning commission meeting during which the plat is scheduled to be discussed, the subdivision administrator shall present his recommendation to the planning commission. (Ord. No. 03-007, \S 1, 4-15-03)



MEMORANDUM

ANDERSON COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES

DATE: May 30, 2023

TO: Craig D. Nelson, PE

Infrastructure Consulting and Engineering

Gaye Garrison Sprague, PE FROM:

Traffic Engineer

Bee Baker, PE, Principal Engineer, Bill Rutledge, PE, Assistant Principal Cc:

Engineer, Matt Hogan, Roads & Bridges Manager, Tim Cartee, Land

Development Administrator, Brittany McAbee, Planning and Development

SUBJECT: Rocky River Subdivision (US 29 at Cox Road) (This memo has two pages.)

This development is planned with 255 single family detached units with one access on US 29 and one access on Cox Road. This Traffic Impact Study (TIS) was conducted by Infrastructure Consulting and Engineering and dated May 10, 2023. Additional information was submitted May 18, 2023. The study was generally conducted per the requirements of Anderson County, and these are the findings of the study and our review:

- The study addressed five intersections: US 29/Cox, US 29/Danne Bannister, Old Williamston/Cox, and the two site accesses.
- The site access intersections will operate acceptably with build volumes.
- The Old Williamston/Cox and US 29/Danne Bannister intersections will operate acceptably with build volumes.
- No turn lanes warrants are met at the Cox Road access with build volumes.
- The build volumes on US 29 at the site access meet left turn lane warrants with build volumes, and this left turn lane is being required by SCDOT. We support this requirement. A right turn lane on US 29 at the site access is not warranted.
- The build volumes on US 29 at Cox meet right turn lane warrants with build volumes but not with no build. This right turn lane is being required by SCDOT, and we support this requirement.
- Both no build and build volumes meet warrants for a left turn lane on US 29 at Cox. SCDOT is requiring this lane, and we support this requirement.

Tommy Dunn

John B Wright, Jr Council District 1 Chairman, District 5

Greg Elgin Council District 3 **Cindy Wilson** Council District 7 ANDERSON COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA

Brett Sanders V. Chairman, District 4 Glenn Davis Council District 2

Jimmy Davis Council District 6

Renee Watts Clerk to Council

Rusty Burns | County Administrator rburns@andersoncountysc.org



MEMORANDUM

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Delay and Level of Service worsen at US 29/Cox with build volumes, but the addition of the left turn lane on US 29 improves the delay and LOS. While the addition of an eastbound right turn lane on Cox at US 29 would further reduce delay, no right-of-way is available for that lane addition, and delay will be reasonable without it. To aid turns between US 29 (arterial) and Cox (collector), corner radii of 50 feet or the largest less than that allowed by right-of-way and SCDOT shall be provided.

In summary, the roadway addition requirements for this subdivision are:

- Provide a northbound left turn lane on US 29 at site access.
- Provide a southbound right turn lane on US 29 at Cox Road.
- Provide a northbound left turn lane on US 29 at Cox Road.
- At US 29/Cox Road, provide corner radii of 50 feet or the largest less than that allowed by right-of-way and SCDOT.

Please call if you have any questions.



Development Standards Subdivision Plat Application

Anderson County Code of Ordinance Chapter 24 Land Use

Scheduled P	Public Hearing D	ate:_
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Application Received By: DDM

Date: 511123

DS Number: 33 - 66

Thank you for your interest in Anderson County, South Carolina. This packet includes the necessary documents for review of subdivision development plans to be reviewed by county staff.

Should you need further assistance, please feel free to contact Development Standards between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at (864) 260-4719

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REVIEW APPLICATION

Note: All plats must first be submitted to Development Standards. After submittal, plats will be distributed to the proper departments for

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE POSTED DEADLINE AND PRIOR TO 3:00 PM. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS OR APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED AFTER THE POSTED DEADLINE WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. THE SUBMITTED PLANS WILL

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. Is there a request for a variance?	No if so, pled	ase attach the d	escription to this ap	pplication. (Variance	Fee \$200.00)
SCDOT/ Roads & Bridges must be traffic impact study shall be require vill generate I 00 or more trips during taffic Impact Studies in the Anderso	e contacted for this development and for access approval through the peak hour of the traffic gen	t prior to Plannin	ng Commission revie	ew, please attach co	nformation lette

Sec.24-335. – Review procedure; recommendations; approval.

Prior to making any physical improvements on the potential subdivision site, the subdivider shall create a preliminary plat containing the information required by section 24-336. If the subdivision administrator determines that the information provided on the plat fulfills the requirements of section 24-336, the subdivision administrator shall submit a written recommendation to the planning commission, to approve the "Preliminary Plat". If staff recommends approval, this does not guarantee that the Planning Commission will approve the Preliminary Plat, pursuant to \$ec.24-335 (C) (3)

Planning Commission Decisions: In addition to the standards set forth in this chapter and the recommendations of staff, the Planning Commission will also take into consideration the following criteria when making its decision to reject or approve a preliminary plat:

- public health, safety, convenience, prosperity, and the general welfare;
- balancing the interests of subdivides, homeowners, and the public;
- the effects of the proposed development on the local tax base; and;
- the ability of existing or planned infrastructure and transportation systems to serve the proposed development.

Subdivision Plat Application Check List

The following checklist is to aid the applicant in providing the necessary materials for submittal.

Application Submittal Requirements and Process

To submit a Subdivision Plat Application, you must provide the following to the Development Standards Office:

- 1. Two (2) 8 ½ x 11 copies of the Preliminary Plat Two (2) 17x24 (or larger) copies of the Preliminary.
- 2. Completed Subdivision Application
- 3. Check made payable to Anderson County Development Standards for Preliminary Plat Review.

(Fee for Preliminary Plat Review is \$350.00 plus \$10.00 per lot) (Fee for Revisions \$200.00)

Sec. 24-336. - Preliminary plat.

The preliminary plat shall contain the following information:

- (1) Location of subdivision on a map indicating surrounding areas at an appropriate scale sufficient to locate the subdivision.
- (2)Map of development at a scale of not less than one inch equals 200 feet and not more than one inch equals 50 feet.
- Name of subdivision, name and address of the owner(s), name of engineer or surveyor and the names of the owners of abutting properties. (3)
- (4) A boundary survey of the area to be subdivided, showing bearings measured in degrees, minutes and seconds and distances measured in feet and decimals thereof
- (5) Present land use of land to be subdivided and of the abutting property and/or properties.
- (6) Acreage of land to be subdivided.
- (7) Contour maps of the proposed subdivision, with maximum contour intervals of ten feet or three meters.
- Tax map number of original parcel or parcels prior to subdivision. (8)
- Location of existing and proposed easements with their location, widths and distances.
- Location of existing water courses, culverts, railroads, roads, bridges, dams, and other similar structures or features.
- Location of utilities and utility easements on and adjacent to the tract, showing proposed connections to existing utility systems.
- Proposed lot lines, lot numbers, lot dimensions and lot acreages.
- (13)North arrow.
- . Proposed road names pre-approved by E-911 Addressing Office for the county.
- Certification by licensed surveyor stating that all lot sizes meet minimum size standards.
- Designation of any areas that fall within any flood plain indicating the high water mark for same.

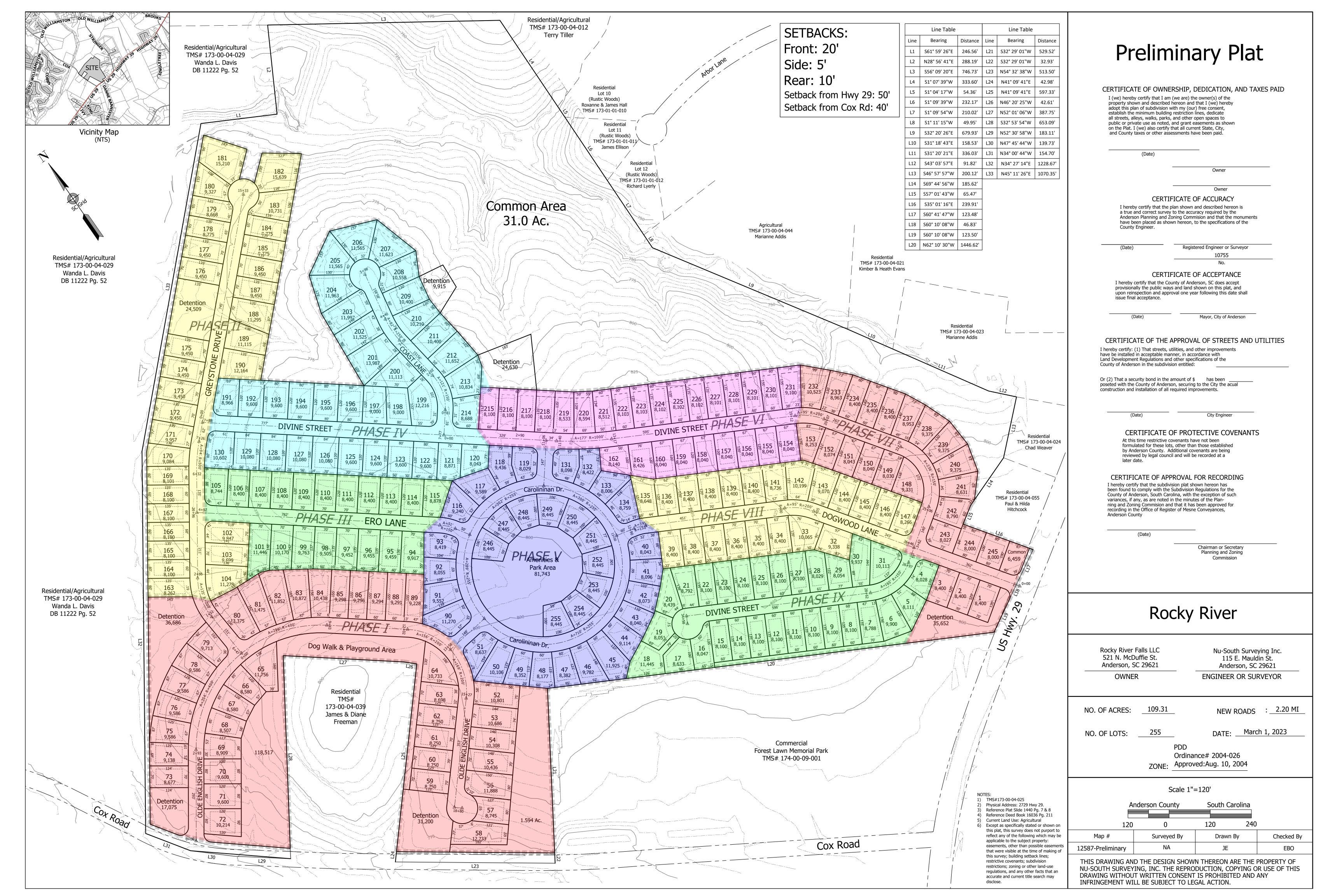
Provide centerline data, road stations and label the point of curvature (PC), point of tangency (PT), and curve radius of each horizontal curve on the preliminary plat.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT & Property Owner:

I (we) certify as property owners or authorized representative that the information shown on and any attachment to this application is accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge, I (we) understand that any inaccuracies may be considered just cause for postponement of action on the request and/or invalidation of this application or any action taken on this application.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Owner



Statement of Intent

Rocky River Subdivision

Highway 29 and Cox Road

Anderson, South Carolina 29621

The intent of this application for rezoning is to seek approval to relocate the amenity area for the development to the interior of the property as shown on the attached Cox Road Conceptual Plan. Prior approval was for amenity area to be located at entrance of Cox Road which topography is not feasible.

Emailed 12-12-2018

1.0 PURPOSE

This Statement of Intent describes the Rock Reverblanned Development, which will contain single-family detached homes to be constructed on approximately 110 acres at the intersection of US Highway 29 and Cox Road in Anderson County.

2.0 EXISTING ZONING

The site is currently zoned PA Single-Family Residential, in Anderson County.

3.0 DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

The project will be developed in phases, with the site work and construction in the initial phase to commence as soon as zoning is complete and all necessary permits are obtained. The exact number of phases and units in each phase will be determined by market demand. The development will not exceed 255 units. The project will have a density of approximately 2.5 dwelling units per acre.

Recreation amenities will be developed within the community and will include a community pool, cabana/pool house, picnic area and walking trails.

The precise configuration of the community will be determined by a team consisting of the developer, the home builder, professional land-use planners, site plan engineers and environmental engineers in consultation with the appropriate regulatory authorities.

Individual lots will vary in widths ranging from 60 feet at the building line to 90 feet at the building line. No lot will consist of less than 8000 square feet.

The single-family homes will be a combination of one and two-story dwellings. The exterior finishes will be a combination of vinyl, brick, stucco or stone. All lawns will be landscaped and the front yards will be sodded by the builder. The homes will be a combination of slab, crawl-space and basement dwellings depending upon the topography of the individual lots.

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4.0 ACCESS, UTILITIES AND SITE CONDITIONS

- A. Community Entrances will be developed on Highway 29 and Cox Road with decorative and functional entrance features that are appropriately and attractively landscaped.
- B. Sanitary Sewer service will be handled by a new gravity system that will be constructed by the developer and which will tie into the existing system owned and operated by the Anderson County Sewer Authority.
- C. Water Service for the project is available on Highway 29 and Cox Road. Water lines and connections will be constructed by the developer and dedicated to the Big Creek Water District.
- D. Electricity is available from Duke Power Company and underground service will be installed within the community.
- E. Natural Gas is available from Piedmont Natural Gas and service lines will be installed within the community to homes that will be served by natural gas.

5.0 STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

Storm water will be managed by a system constructed by the developer and designed to meet or exceed local, state and federal regulations involving storm flow and silt and erosion control. Any necessary ponds or detention areas will be appropriately landscaped, screened or fenced in accordance with applicable regulations. Storm water will be released into existing natural drainage areas without adverse impact on existing flows. The storm water management system will be maintained by a property owners association through dues paid by all residents in the development.

6.0 GROUP MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

A property owners association (POA) will be established to own and maintain all common areas and improvements constructed within those common areas. Funding for common area maintenance and other association activities will be provided by pro-rata contributions from all property owners in the form of POA dues pursuant to a recorded Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions. The Declaration will also contain other provisions appropriate to provide proper control of the design, construction, use and maintenance of residences and related improvements and to ensure the safety of all residents of the development.

Proposed Amenifu Area





ROCKYRIVER

SUBDIVISION

TOTAL ACRES: 109.17 ACRES

0.56 ACRES IN THE COX ROAD R/W

APPROXIMATELY 25.0 ACRES IN GREEN SPACE

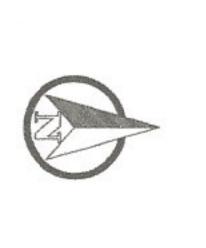
APPROXIMATELY 85.61 ACRES IN RESIDENTIAL

LOTS, AMENITY AREA, AND PROPOSED STREETS

LST RESIDENTIAL LOTS PROPOSED

GROSS PROJECT DENSITY: 2.5 UNITS/ACKE



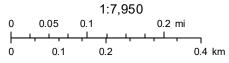


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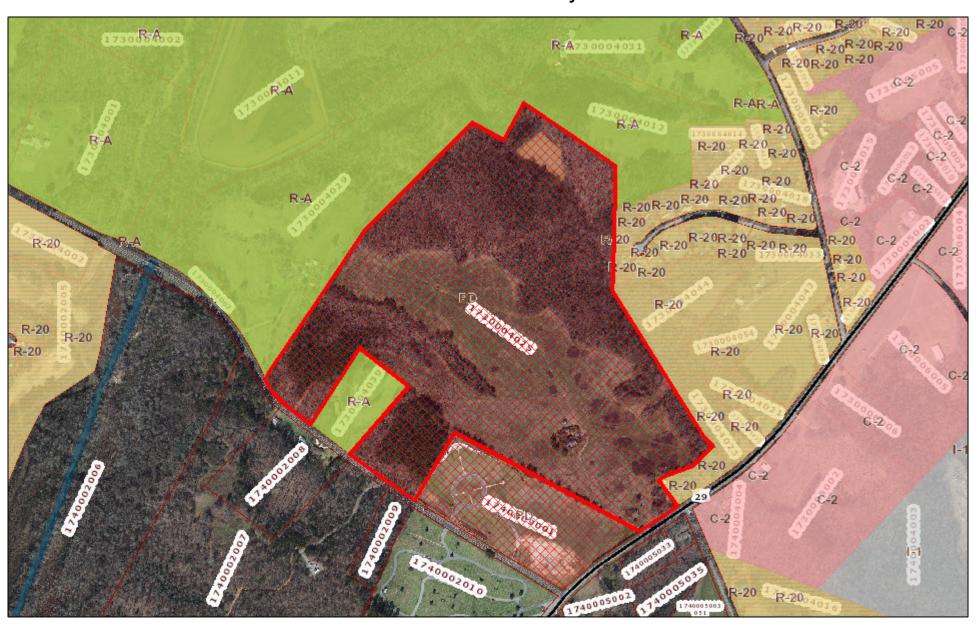


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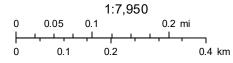


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