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Subject: Re: REQUEST TO AMEND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, Co7-13-06

Hello Ron, Gilbert, Katherine, et. al.

As I mentioned in prior emails, I'd do a reply-all just to let those interested know when I had finalized the scheduling of our planned neighbor meeting for the Hardy Road comprehensive plan site. This would be to discuss our work in developing a new program of natural area set-asides, etc. Per all of our prior emails over the past few days, I recognize and respect that there are those who may not be interested in that discussion and those who may be.

Of course, all of this is predicated on whether the Board of Supervisors chooses to grant the continuance we've requested to have the currently scheduled hearing (on 21 January) continued to February 18. All such continuances are granted at the sole discretion of the Board.

In our hopes that the continuance is granted, we've scheduled a neighbor meeting for the Hardy Road site as follows:

Thursday, January 30, 2014
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Tortolita Middle School
School Cafeteria (The Cougar Cafe)
4101 W. Hardy Road
Tucson, AZ 85742

I also sent out mailed invitation letters today, via US mail, with this same meeting information to all those who spoke at our 18 November public hearing and to the heads of the HOA's in the area. I anticipate there is significant overlap between that mailing and the various email addresses on this message.

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On Jan 15, 2014, at 10:12 AM, Ron Beckett wrote:

Hello Jim,
Thanks for your communications. I do not envy you in this process.
I just needed to echo a few themes that you've heard from my wife Kathy, neighbor Gilbert and others.

1) A continuance has yet to be granted. This cannot be assumed. That seems to be the first step and an

unnecessary one at that, as meeting with our community and others does not need to take place until the BOS make its decision regarding the comprehensive plan modification question.

2) If the continuance is NOT granted and the comprehensive plan modification is NOT approved at next week's BOS meeting, it would be enlightening to hear about your group's ideas on setbacks etc within the current SR zoning constraints. The property CAN be developed tomorrow in this scenario. That would seem attractive to a developer as the economy is less than predictable (note recent downturns in property values etc.) and if another downturn occurs, the property will sit idle again.

3) If the continuance is granted there would be NO need to meet with you, as articulated by Kathy, Gilbert, and others, as we would not know what we were meeting about. That is, a decision on a modification to the comprehensive plan would not be made. We are all quite busy (yourself included) so time spent looking at 'what if's' is pointless. Thus, the delay in letting the BOS make its decision is pointless.

To be clear:

- 1) We are totally against a continuance of this issue.
- 2) We are against a modification to the Comprehensive plan and find the existing plan to be more compelling than any change. The comprehensive plan was made with a great vision for the future of our town and county. Very wise indeed. There are NO compelling reasons to change this plan.
- 3) We support your developer moving ahead with planning within the existing comprehensive plan SR zoning and would be happy to hear their ideas regarding setbacks etc within the SR guidelines.

Thanks you,
Sincerely,
Ron Beckett

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