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This is a presentation from the Grande-Pines community-in-opposition-of-the-Chapel-Crossing-subdivision plan.

We will have (3) speakers talking to this PowerPoint as follows

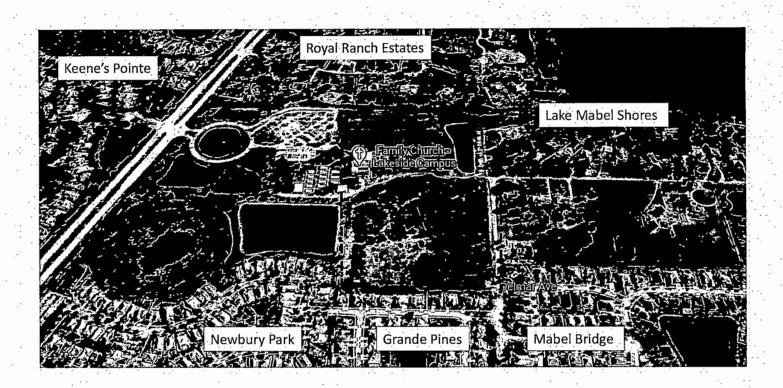
- 1 Tom Valley slides 1 thru 4
- 2- Missy Renard slides 5 thru 9
- 3 Tom Triolo slides 10 thru 13

Slides 14 - 18 are exhibit only.

Could you please respond back to me that you received everything OK and can we be scheduled to speak 1st after the applicant finishes.

Thanks - Tom Valley Tvalleyups@aol.com

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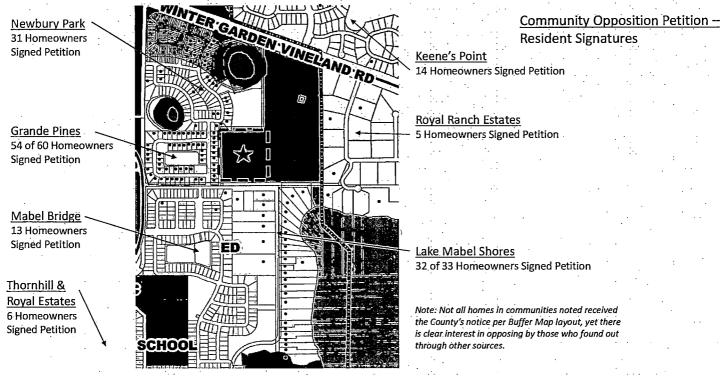
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Community Opposition to Proposed Zoning Change of Use

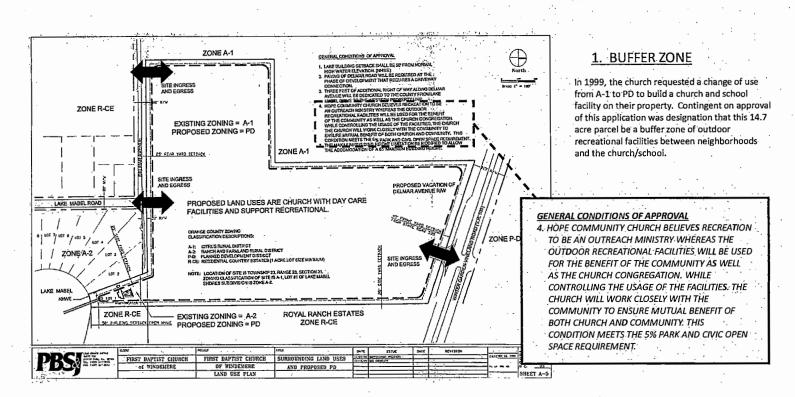
- 1. PD CONDITION / BUFFER ZONE The 14.7 acre subject property is designated in the current PD Site Plan and Conditions as Park / Civic Open Space. This park space was buffer zone between the Estate Home District (Grande Pines and Newbury Park) and the church and school facilities. It was condition of approval for the church's 1999 change of use request to add a church and school to the property, and included the greenspace per the required calculations. The church's proposed zoning change of use removes the buffer zone greenspace between neighboring community and school.
- 2. DENSITY- Proposed density increase does not follow Horizon West Village Planning guidelines for locating Garden District homes closer to Village centers, with Estate homes and greenbelts along the village boundaries.
- 3. TRAFFIC Proposal will add significant traffic burden to Grande Pines and Newbury Park by:
 - Adding traffic stress through the 2 neighborhoods on streets that are already burdened from cut-through traffic caused by the deletion of the Reams Road intersection at 535.
 - b. Creating a safety risk for children within walking distance to Castleview Elementary
- 4. ENVIRONMENTAL Current parcel conditions with pine trees and open spaces function as part of wildlife corridor, with abundant wildlife, including bald eagles, hawks, owls, coyotes, gopher tortoises and other animals utilizing the parcel. Allowing for this change of use would permit developers to profit while disrupting ecosystem and environment.
- 5. NO COMMUNITY NEED Proposed change of use to high density residential development does not benefit Lakeside village, its residents, or the adjacent neighborhoods, and puts further stress on schools near capacity (see Exhibits 2 & 3) and is not needed from a housing standpoint (See Exhibit 4).

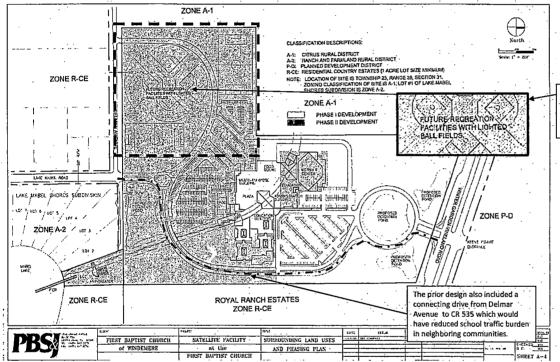
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1. BUFFER ZONE

This parcel is currently designated in the existing PD as a Park / Civic Open Space buffer zone between the Estate Home District and the church and school facilities.

The church's original change of use application plans specifically called out this exact parcel in this exact location to be a park with ballfields and open spaces.

The church's current proposal removes this buffer zone between neighboring community and school. However, the church has expanded their original pre-school to include kindergarten and 1st grade, and are continuing their school growth, with advertised plans to add 1 grade per year to their campus and a 9000 sf classroom building. (see Exhibit 1)

If they build the buildings per this 1999 drawing, they would remove the 2 existing soccer fields, and there will be no outdoor recreation space or buffer space on the site.

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1. BUFFER ZONE

When Grande Pines was later in development, Ryland Homes included a public area sidewalk between 2 of the homes on Native Pine Way, to connect the neighborhood to the future park. The builders and realtors relayed this future park to potential residents as a selling feature, and made assurances to the new owners, based on good faith that the land use the Church had designated, and sought approval from the county for, would be constructed. Homeowners in both Grande Pines and Newbury Park signed closing documents and paid lot premiums to back up to the park which is shown in legal documents as ball fields.

The Grande Pines community fence currently has a gate at the end of the sidewalk for access to the future park.





The Ryland Group - OFF-SITE DISCLOSURE (Grande Pines) b. To the east of the Project is the First Baptist Church of Windermere. The Grande Pines subdivision is adjacent to the First Baptist Church of Windermere's active recreation facilities...

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http://rickgellerforcc.blogspot.com/2009/

Tuesday, December 22, 2009

Text of Email to Neighbors of Windermere Community Church

I wanted to thank all of you for emailing me about the Windermere Community Church application (to add independent and assisted senior living), which the Orange County Planning and Zoning Board heard last Thursday.

I considered all testimony and evidence carefully and made a motion to deny the application's transmittal for lack of consistency with the County's comprehensive plan and compatibility with the adjacent neighborhoods. My motion camed 6-1. The Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation will go to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration in the next month or so.

The ballfields, a condition in the development plan approved by Orange County in 2000, fulfilled the Church's 5% open space/civic requirement under the Hortzon West Code. (Dur revised Code increased the requirement to 7.5%). As I pointed out, the County's Future Land Use Element made the civic space contribution promanent." In any event, I can't imagine a school on the church property without ballields.

I presented information from the County's demographic study. Over the next two decades the need for senior housing to accommodate our aging population will become acute. The Lakeside Village Special Area Plan and the County's Comprehensive Plan require a mixing of uses and housing choices for all age groups.

My sense, at the end of the hearing, was that no one felt good about the discord in our community. Perhaps no one felt more pain than Pastor Matheson, who had no intention to upset the Church's neighbors.

I am hopeful that, before the Board of County Commissioners considers the epplication, representatives of the Church and the surrounding neighborhoods can come together, and reach a consensus that: (1) preserves the ballfields and establishes a time-frame for their establishment; (2) preserves and extends a pine tree buffer between the Church property and the neighborhoods; (3) allows a reasonable amount of senior housing in a pleasing, aesthetic from that enhances our community.

I would ask those neighbors who walked door-to-door, conducted research, organized the email campaign, and otherwise took the lead, to form a committee to meet with Pastor Matheson and other Church representatives. I am

My role with this application is officially done, but please let me know if I can assist you in any way. I am truly appreciative for the community's very passionate interest and involvement—and wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Rick Geller

(Jan. 26, 2010 UPDATE: Windermere Community Church withdrew the application before the County Commission could act on it. The Church indicated an intent to submit a revised application.)

1. BUFFER ZONE

In 2009, the church requested another change of use request to turn that same buffer zone designation into an assisted living facility. Neighboring communities opposed that application due to incompatibility with adjacent neighborhoods and its deletion of the prior buffer zone contingency. The commissioners voted 6-1 against the application.

At that time, District 1 Orange County Planning and Zoning Commissioner Rick Geller wrote an email and blog post to the Church's neighbors explaining his motion to deny "for lack of consistency with County's comprehensive plan and compatibility with the adjacent neighborhoods" and noted that the ballfields were "a condition in the development plan approved by Orange county" and that "the Future Land Use Element made the civic space contribution "permanent"."

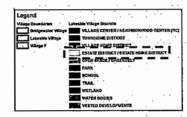
Just like then, this current change of use request fails to maintain the buffer zone park and is incompatible with adjacent Estate Home neighborhoods.

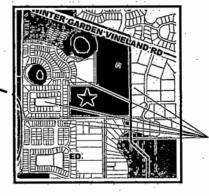
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Horizon West - Lakeside Village Land Use Map





2. DENSITY

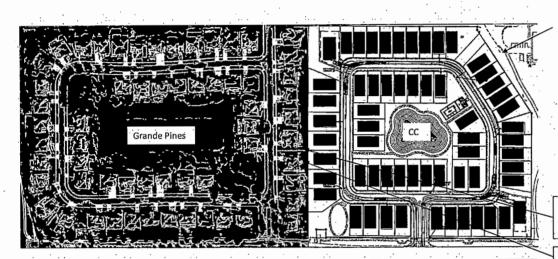
This application is in direct violation of FLU4.1.1, which states that higher density residential development should be located in close proximity to the Village Center. This site is located at the outerperimeter between the Estate Home District (3 DU/acre) and the edge of the Village, and should therefore have the lowest density. This PD revision requests to change the district designation to Garden Home, and increase the density to 4-6 DU/acre.

The applicant is further requesting to use additional TDR's to further INCREASE the density from 54 Garden homes on this acreage to 61 homes – pushing density even higher along the village boundary.

All neighborhoods around this parcel are Estate Home Districts and Residential Country Estates, so this request is completely INCOMPATIBLE with local neighborhoods.

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Site Plan does not include a buffer zone between different uses and intensity - residential and commercial/private school and church.

DENSITY

Example of incompatibility: Comparison with Grande Pines.

Garden Home site planning and design is not compatible with adjacent Grande Pines Estate Home community.

Layout shown would make GP existing sidewalk and gate open to new home site rear yards

Lot sizes are not consistent with adjacent` existing homes along shared lot line – CC = 7.2' Lots

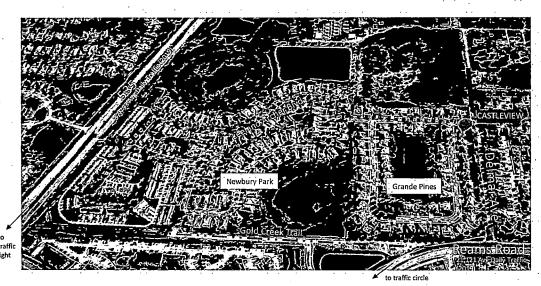
GP = (1) 85' Lot, (6) 80' Lots, (3) 70' Lots = AVG 77.5'

This would lead to a degradation of property

values for all neighboring communities which are part of the Estate/Rural Country Estate area on the village boundary.

· ·	. Davel	opment ·	PSP-20-02-037 Notes					
Name	Grande Pines	Chapel Crossing	Community name may be considered exclusionary to potential residents of other faiths.					
Number of Homes	60	61	Overall subdivision is much smaller than Grande Pines and significantly more dense.					
Individual Lot Size	70'-85'+	50'-72'	Only 5 lots are 72', 7 are wedge shape and 46 are only 50'.					
# Garages ·	3 car .	2 car	Not having options for a 3rd car can reduce home values.					
Street Setbacks	20'	7' Porch/15' Front	Homes are set incredibly close to sidewalks.					
# Storles	1&2	2	No single story option for those that can't utilize second floor or need a smaller home. Does not allow for diversity of life stage.					
Rear yard sized for private pools	Yes	- No · · ·	Allowing room for a pool increases home value potential.					
Roadway Access	2 entry/exits	1 entry/exit	Does not follow HW community principles promote connectWity for walkability and ease of traffic.					
			drainage will be an issue affecting nearby communities that currently flood due to church's current					
Retention Pond	Large	Small	ineffective retention pond.					
House types	6 plans/3 elevations each	3 plans/2-3 elevations each	Lack of plan diversity reduces curb appeal.					

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3. TRAFFIC

When the intersection of Reams Road and 535 was demolished, it sent a considerable amount of traffic thru Grande Pines and Newbury Park. Drivers are taking this route to avoid the back ups at the circle near Bay Lake elementary and the traffic light at 535.

This is especially dangerous now that children are walking these main roads at rush hours, as the only connectors to get to Castleview Elementary in the neighboring Mabel Bridge community as well as for bus stops for Middle and High School.

Adding 60 additional houses with up to 120 cars twice a day on these already stressed roads is hazardous, reckless and a huge negative to the community.

— · · — CLOSED Reams Road
— · · — CLOSED Gold Creek Trail

Traffic Pattern

Bus Stop

Elementary School
Walkers

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<u>Transfer of Development Rights (TDR)</u> The Comprehensive Plan states that rights are transferred "to encourage the implementation of the greenbelt requirements, … preserve other important uplands, agricultural areas, water reuse area, Floridian aquifer recharge, wetland connections and wildlife corridors…" in exchange for increasing planned densities at village centers. This application is in opposition to this concept as it is requesting to use TDR's to increase density along the village boundary - where natural wildlife corridors occur.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL

Current parcel conditions with mature pine trees and open spaces function as part of wildlife corridor, with bald eagles, hawks, owls, coyotes, gopher tortoises, skinks and other animals utilizing the parcel for habitat and refuge. Allowing for this change of use would permit developers to profit while disrupting ecosystem and environment.

The drainage from 60 additional houses would also overwhelm an already insufficient drainage system. Their plan is to feed the drainage in to Retention Pond #4 on Delmar Ave. which then flows through a spreader swale in to Lake Mabel. This pond already failed several years ago and flooded the adjacent homes.

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5. No Community Need

There is no community need (see Exhibits or benefit for this development and the church hasn't proven that their property rights are being violated by the current zoning, to warrant this drastic change of use and requested density. The current zoning designation was originally requested by, and granted to, the church and now they want to arbitrarily change it again.

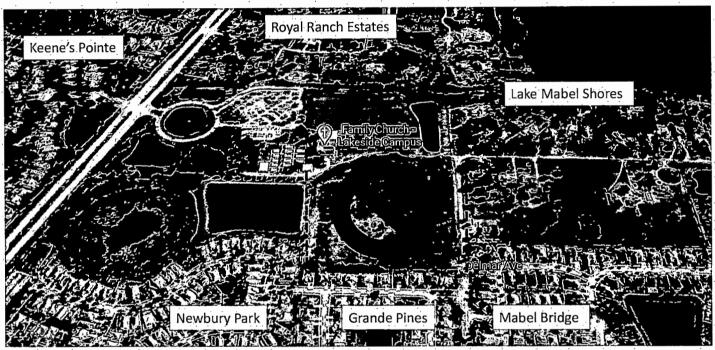
This is a purely profit driven endeavor, to pack as many houses as possible on a small site, inconsistent with Horizon West planning principals and directly negatively impacting all the surrounding neighborhoods and the delicate Lake Mabel ecosystem.

Horizon West has won numerous awards for community planning principles, this proposed community would have NOT have been allowed in the original master planning.

- Does the application abide by adjacent acre densities called out in neighborhood planning? NO
- Does the application take into consideration existing environmental features and support the overall vision of Lakeside Village? NO
- Does the application contribute to a sense of place with quality architectural design and respect for environmental protection? NO
- Do the building sizes and property layouts ensure that adjacent neighborhoods do not become a mix of inappropriate sized buildings? NO
- Does the application protect family life and property values for adjacent neighborhoods? NO
- Does the application support sustainability? NO
- Does the application support the principal of scenic vistas and nature based recreation for village residents? NO
- Does the application ensure neighborhood connectivity and walkability? NO
- Does the application support the comprehensive long-term master planning guidelines to avoid piecemeal growth? NO
- Does the application appeal to permanent community residents with elements that build community life? NO
- · Does the application benefit only the commercial stakeholders to the detriment of the community? YES

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On behalf of residents in the communities listed below, as well as the local wildlife population, we respectfully request that you vote to deny approval for this proposed change of use for the many reasons provided. Thank you for your time and consideration.

ADDENDUM

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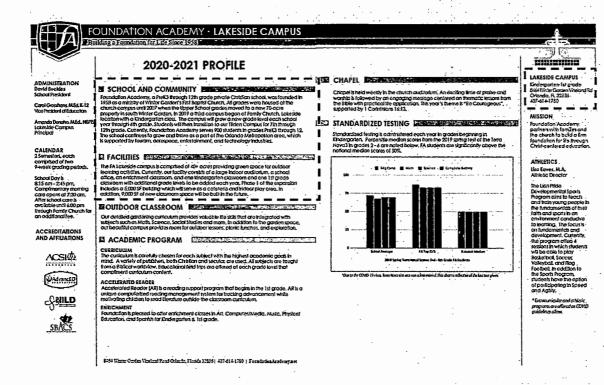


Exhibit 1

The church is partnering with Foundation Academy for their school curriculum located on this campus property.

This advertising is found online at:
https://issuu.com/foundationacademy/docs/issuu_lakeside_profile_rev_5.0

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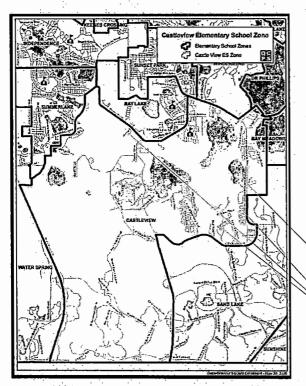


EXHIBIT 2

Castle View Elementary is at 85% capacity and is only a little over a year old. Policy FLU4.14.5 specifies that "TDRs may be used only to extent that they do not cause the capacities of the neighborhood elementary schools to be exceeded."

 $\label{eq:Adding-60} \mbox{ Adding 60 new residences to the 216 available already planned would jeopardize the schools capacity.}$

Orange County

Enrollment Summary by School 10/15/2020

Elementary													
			٠.	Federal Race Category					Federal Ethnicity				
			White	Black	Native	-Asiao	Pacific	Multi	Non-Hisp	Hisp	Total	Capacity	
1012	Castleview Elementary	٠, ٠	80%	6%	0%	11%	1%	2%	55%	45%	684	791	
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Current Available New Residences and builders lots - 216

52 new vacant 2+ bedroom apartments

164 home sites available/owned by local builders in just 3 existing new home communities (sample)

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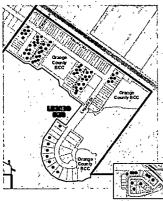
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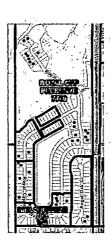
Vista Oaks and Zen Apartments 52 new 2+ bedroom apartments available

EXHIBIT 3

Current local inventory of 164 new homes/sites available at just 3 new development communities and 52 new-to-market apartments which will send students to Castleview Elementary. Additional 60 homes would stretch school beyond capacity, on top of other land already zoned future residential.



Mattamy Homes
- Legado
74 New
homes/sites
available



Toll Brothers-Royal Cypress Preserve 34 New homes/sites available



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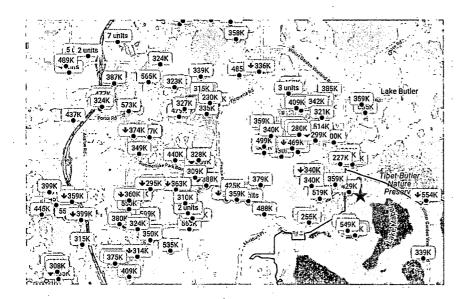


EXHIBIT 4

 $400 \pm$ homes are currently available in the local area in a range of prices under \$600,000.

Largest local employer has recently laid off over 10,000+ jobs and thousands have been on furlough for over 6 months - will likely trigger a string of foreclosures and residents leaving the area, flooding the real estate market and reducing property values.

60 new homes in already stressed market will take buyers away from sellers in dire need and further drive down values.

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