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Fwd: Wilson Estates Hearing and Comments

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Please add to public comment accordingly.

Thank you.

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Dear Supervisors,

I just learned that the Wilson Estates Project is being moved from it's original scheduled date of November 17th (what we were told by staff) FORWARD to November 4th on Election Day! Please tell me this is some kind of mistake? This project, well known for it's questionable rezoning by the owner, a Planning Commissioner years ago to an area unsuited for high density has been a a subject of many hearings and public frustration. We are getting close to agreement and now the project is moved with short notice to election day, clearly to circumvent the public comment on this project or even to possibly try to circumvent initiatives on the ballot. Why are there public Board of Supervisors meetings on Election Day? Why?

The Developer has asked for numerous last minute hearing date changes throughout the project process. All were granted. I have written to all of you on numerous occasions that these last minute date changes used by Developers to reduce public input and comments should not be permitted. It is simply a tool to weed out the public who have scheduled time off work to speak about a project that effects their lives. This Developer has asked numerous times for date changes that have adversely effected public participation. **Now I am asking you**, our elected officials, to keep the date we were told by your staff or move it out so we can plan to attend this hearing NOT forward to election day.

In addition, the locals are in discussion regarding numerous issues regarding this project and moving it forward adversely effects the time we need and planned on to present to the hearing. As you are well aware, there was significant opposition to the other projects in the Malcolm Dixon area due to traffic. The main issue regarding traffic was dealt with by you, by demanding that all Developers be part of the Malcolm Dixon road agreement and no project would be allowed or approved without it. You assured us that no project would start without the road improvements being done first and the first Developer to start would make the road improvements first. THIS PROJECT SIDESTEPS THE VERY AGREEMENT YOU PROMISED US! Why has Roger Trout allowed this project to go forward to you without the same agreement imposed on other projects for our protection? The agreement you promised! It is actions like this that make us, the public, distrust government, why we want written assurances and why lawsuits seem to be the only way to get your attention. Lets not go through this again. Like other projects in the area, the project does not comply with CEQA where commutative effects of multiple known and approved projects are not addressed or even mentioned. A clear violation that I thought we had resolved in past litigation. You can NOT approve a project based on General Plan environmental documents

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after you changed zoning throughout the area AFTER the General Plan was approved. You have to use the current (and now known) development plans of the area.

In closing I ask:

1. Keep the date your staff told us or move it outward so we can all plan to attend (avoiding election day)
2. Do not hear the project until the road agreement (in its entirety) that you promised us, is included in this project submittal.

Regards,

Paul Sayegh

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