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Dear Supervisors,

As you know the County has had some issues in the development process. Developers as well as residents struggle with recent decisions. The reason that some of these projects get de-railed is a lack of communication between Developers and the local residents that these projects impact. To allow an early review process without public input will only create more useless meetings and consumption of County resources. Developers ALWAYS resist getting the public involved because frankly, they want to push the project through with the least amount of trouble and cost to them and the public will likely bring up something that they don't want to hear.

Why wait until the very end to discover the public issues of a project? If the developer wants a "pre-blessing" find out what the public has to say about the project too. These are the people most impacted.

I encourage you to NOT agree to any resolution for additional reviews in front of the BOS or Planning Commission without a prior public workshop where the issues may be brought out in the open in advance. The notices to the public should be letters and NOT newspaper notices. With a public workshop in advance you can then ask the Developer what issues were brought up at the meeting and they can be dealt with fairly and up front saving everyone a lot of time and effort. If it is done that way it's a GREAT idea. Without public input, it's a BAD idea. Right now it is written to be voluntary which needs to be MANDATORY.

Your support of this will lessen the emotional BOS meetings where hundreds of people are upset, emotional and outraged.

My thanks

Paul Sayegh