



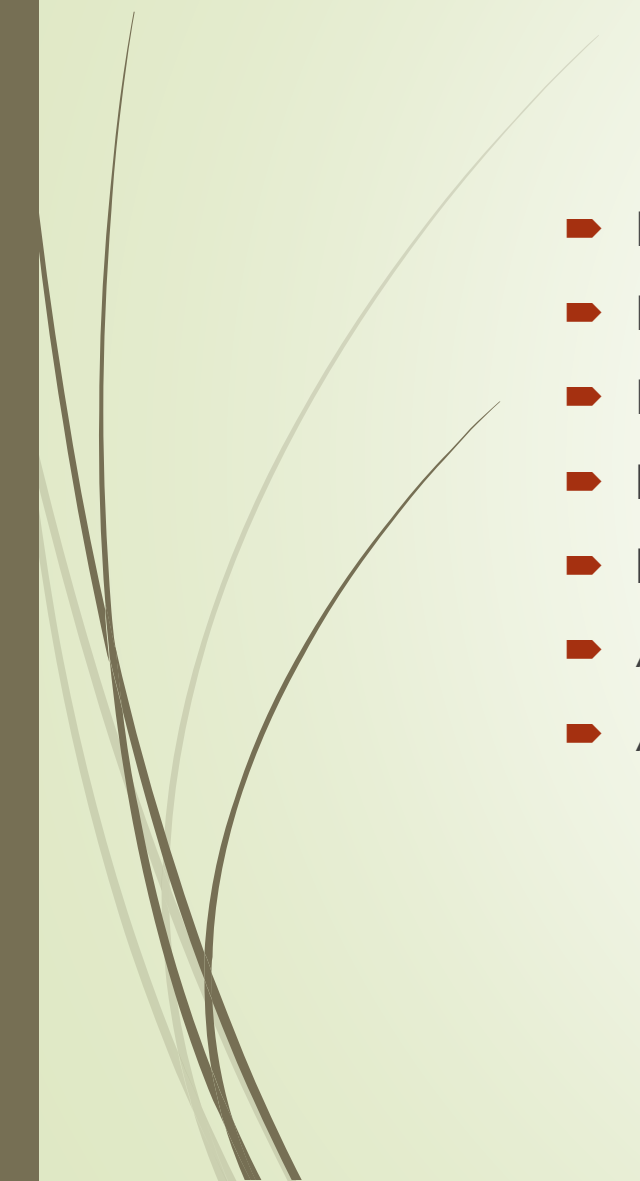
Neighbor Concerns

and benefits of keeping green space

Kristen Thiel and several neighbors will speak to these concerns



Concerns Shared by Neighbors

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- Destroying habitat for rare species
 - Destroying green Space
 - Existence of Wetlands
 - Increase in additional residents
 - Increase demands on city services
 - Area already suffers from poverty
 - Amount of crime in area (its identified as a hot spot)



Details of addressed concerns

- 1. Size of Development -the neighbors have expressed concern that the number of housing would yield double or triple the number of new residents to the area bringing about over crowding and strain on city services. The number of housing has not been reduced.
- 2. Location/Woodlands - It has been expressed that with the nature of crime that exist in the woodland and the fact that it has been identified as a hot spot that there may difficulty maintaining the value and integrity of the development. This became more of a concern when we lost a young 9 year old life in the Woodlands to gun violence June 13, 2024.
- 3. Egress/Ingress - It was suggested that the entrance/exit be moved to Fairy chasm and an additional gate be located off Green Brook rd. This will help in that it would eliminate the view if people entering and exiting the complex which could be inviting to others who do not live there. It also reduces the safety risk of those entering and exiting the complex. It also encourages ownership of pride to enter and exit from an area that is well maintained and enjoyed. Also an area that has the perception of safety. We talked about adding egress only on Fairy chasm and Swan. The Swan road egress goes from one to two gates on Swan. One gate being for pedestrians



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- 4. Vegetation and species - It was brought to everyone's attention that there were wetland and species to be protected. After some prodding, Royal Capital did indeed have a land delineation done and found there were indeed some wetlands and species that need to be protected. They made very little modification to accommodate the residents' concerns.
- 5. Resident involvement - I have greatly appreciated your willingness to show up at town hall meetings in the area and share details of the development with the residents. Prior to several meeting from last year and these current meetings, there was no resident engagement. This was learned at the City Planning Commission meeting on July 17, 2023.
- It is my belief that you would garner more support for the development by moving the entrance and exit gates to the suggested locations. You could possibly garner even more support by reducing the number of units proposed for the area. Please give serious consideration to these concerns. We would like to see progress on this development in one direction or the other.

Identified Wetlands in area of proposed development





Green Space

Value and Positive use



Advantages of keeping Green Space

- Offers Classroom for outdoor learning
 - Great for mental and emotional Health
 - Recreation Space
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