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Subject: Re: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

Date: Wed, May 29, 2013 6:16 pm

Good Evening, Honorable Judge Branick,

I wanted to follow up with yourself and let you know that as President of the Board of Directors for the Fairfield Home Owners Association I have never been contacted by the developer of the "Providence On Major" Project being planned on the County Property on North Major next to Boys' Haven and across from the Fairfield Addition.

I believe that when we spoke in February, the way I understood your comment's were that you either directed or suggested to the developer to get in touch with the residents and have a meeting to discuss our concerns. I also believe that you mentioned that you would render a decision no later than September 1, 2013 on a commitment of funds in the form of a loan by The Jefferson County Housing Finance Corporation.

As of today (May 29, 2013), I have not been contacted by anyone to discuss the direct concerns, issues, worries, or fears as an individual or as the President of the Association. I would have suspected that a meeting could have been held within these past 90 plus day since our conversation discussing the opposition of the Fairfield residents.

I am extremely disappointed that the developer did not take the time to contact myself or any of the other Board Member to request a meeting of the Fairfield Residents. To my knowledge there was never a meeting scheduled.

From a positive perspective, at least with the developers of the "Westfield Crossing" took the time to obtain public comments and meet face to face with residents to understand their concerns.

I personally could not make any of the six (6) Public Hearings that were scheduled around the State. However, as President of the Fairfield Home Owners Association I will be sending our letter of opposition to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs before the deadline of June 14, 2013.

I have been advised that the Developer of the "Providence On Major" did met with some of the developers of Fairfield, Westchase Village, and Barrington Heights, but as I mentioned, they never requested a meeting or provide notice of a meeting with the residents whom live within the immediate area.

I cannot speak for each resident in the addition, but I do feel, at least from my own perspective, this developer could care less about our thoughts or concerns. This may or may not be the case, but based on the lack of effort on their part, it is easy to understand how these feelings could easily be developed.

As I will not be available for any meetings between June 3rd and June 11th. I am submitting the Fairfield Letter of Opposition by Certified Mail on or before Saturday, June 1st.

I truly appreciate the time you have spent reading our concerns and discussing with myself your thoughts on what should take place between the developer and the Homeowners Association.

Kindest Regards,
Rob Jones

Fairfield Home Owners Association,
President

-----Original Message-----

From: □□J <jbranick@co.jefferson.tx.us>

To: rwjtexas <rwjtexas@aol.com>

Sent: Tue, Feb 19, 2013 9:36 pm

Subject: Re: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

Rob--Thanks for the input. I was approached about the Providence project. The first question I asked was about how the neighbors feel about the proposal. I'll be happy to speak with you about it during business hours over the phone. Good to hear from you even if it is on a matter such as this. jb

----- Original Message -----

From: rwjtexas@aol.com

Sent: 2/19/2013 6:17:39 PM

To: jbranick@co.jefferson.tx.us

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Subject: Re: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

Honorable Judge Branick,

Thank you for writing back to the Fairfield Homeowners Association and Residents.

To answer your question I do not think anyone is opposed to Senior Developments when asked in general terms. The residents of Fairfield, Westchase and Barrington as well as other residents in this area are opposed to any Multi-Family additions in the area between Delaware and Folsom Rd on North Major Drive. As we have indicated, there are plenty of apartment units to the south of Delaware and North of Folsom with lots of land that is available to build this type of Combined Low Income Unit / Market Rates Units as defined in the Pre Application that was filed with The State of Texas.

According to the Pre-Application the proposed Complex will consist of 126 Low Income Units and 18 Market Rate Units for a total of 144 Units.

With the amount of apartment that are to be proposed, even though this is currently proposed to be built on County property, there will have to be Water, Sewer, Police, Fire, and EMS Service provided to make this a viable project. In which, I suspect the City of Beaumont would either have to annex this area and possibly have a zoning change made or sell these services to the developer which may be cost prohibitive.

The Respective Homeowners Boards have discussed these projects on numerous occasions and presented this information to the residents. The majority of the residents that were present at the respective HOA meetings have indicated that they are opposed to any Multi-Family Complex Projects within the area mentioned.

Of note, Chris Boone with the City of Beaumont did notify Fairfield that the Westfield Crossing Project was not going to proceed. The developer has decided not to proceed with their planned development.

I appreciate your time and responding to our concerns.

Please feel free to contact myself for any additional information.

Kindest Regards,

Rob Jones

President, Fairfield Homeowners Association

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From: Fairfield <fairfieldsubdivision@gmail.com>

To: rwjtexas <rwjtexas@aol.com>

Sent: Tue, Feb 19, 2013 2:17 pm

Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "□□J" <jbranick@co.jefferson.tx.us>
Date: February 19, 2013, 1:13:27 PM CST
To: "Fairfield HOA" <fairfieldsubdivision@gmail.com>
Subject: **Re: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom**

Thank you for your email. I was recently approached about the Providence development and understood it to be a senior citizen project. Do the residents oppose senior projects? I look forward to hearing back. Thank you. Jeff Branick

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From: "Fairfield HOA" <fairfieldsubdivision@gmail.com>
Sent: 2/14/2013 3:15:54 PM
To: bames@ci.beaumont.tx.us, gwilliams-wright@ci.beaumont.tx.us, wlpate@ci.beaumont.tx.us, acoleman@ci.beaumont.tx.us, mdgetz@ci.beaumont.tx.us, asamuel@ci.beaumont.tx.us, jdsmith@ci.beaumont.tx.us, cboone@ci.beaumont.tx.us, srichardson@ci.beaumont.tx.us, eddiearnold@co.jefferson.tx.us, bweaver@co.jefferson.tx.us, jbranick@co.jefferson.tx.us, msinegal@co.jefferson.tx.us, ealfred@co.jefferson.tx.us, allan.ritter@house.state.tx.us, joe.deshotel@house.state.tx.us, tommy.williams@senate.state.tx.us
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Subject: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

February 14, 2013

*The Honorable Becky Ames, Mayor of Beaumont
The Honorable Mike Getz, Member Beaumont City Council
The Honorable Dr. Alan Coleman, Member Beaumont City Council
The Honorable Audwin B. Samuel, Member Beaumont City Council
The Honorable Jamie D. Smith, Member Beaumont City Council
The Honorable W.L. Pate, Jr., Member Beaumont City Council
The Honorable Gethrel Williams-Wright, Member Beaumont City Council
Mr. Chris Boone, Community Development Director, City of Beaumont
Mr. Steve Richardson, Planning Manager, City of Beaumont*

*The Honorable Jeff Branack, County Judge, Jefferson,
The Honorable Eddie Arnold, County Commissioner, Jefferson
The Honorable Brent Weaver, County Commissioner, Jefferson
The Honorable Michael Sinegal, County Commissioner, Jefferson
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The Honorable Allan B. Ritter, State Representative District 21, Texas
The Honorable Joe Deshotel, State Representative District 22 Texas*

Subject: Opposition to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

The attached Petition is being preliminary submitted to inform each of you that the majority of the residences of the Fairfield Addition are expressing their opposition to have any land located on North Major drive between Delaware and Folsom rezoned to Multi-Family Zoning.

A copy of the Petition will be submitted to Planning and Zoning once the tract(s) are placed on the Agenda for Public Comments.

Currently the residents of Fairfield and other Subdivisions in the close proximity to Fairfield are being advised of two (2) Projects that have pre-applications already submitted to Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs for development utilizing the 2013 Competitive Housing Tax Credit Pre-Application Certificate.

The pre-applications currently on file are:

- *Westfield Crossing – Pre-Application Number 13179*
- *Providence on Major – Pre-Application Number 13203*

At this time the Fairfield Petition (PDF Attached) has 82 of 88 properties in opposition (93%) that resides in the Fairfield Subdivision.

Furthermore, be it known that the Fairfield Residents that specifically received a notice of an informational meeting for Westfield Crossing by the developer, which was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 have each signed the Petition in opposition.

We will continue to collect signatures of opposition up until the time a zoning change is placed on the agenda for Public Comment. We are also aware that the other Subdivisions that are in near proximity to the planned development(s) are collecting signatures in opposition as well.

We respectfully ask that each of you keep the concerns and requests of the constituents and Citizens of The City of Beaumont and Jefferson County in consideration when discussing any advancement of Multi-Family Zoning that may or shall come before a City Council Meeting either Public or Private.

As our elected representatives and management of The City of Beaumont and Jefferson County we thank you in advance for your individual and collective support in our efforts in which we oppose any Zoning Change to Multi-Family Zoning on North Major Drive between Delaware and Folsom

Kindest Regards,

The Residences of Fairfield Subdivision

(whom have signed the attached petition)