

Town of Pomona Park, Town Council Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2024

This Meeting was held at Town Hall for Council & Public

Mayor Joseph Svingala presided. Council present were Lynda Linkswiler, CarrieAnn Evans, Patricia Mead, Dr. Robert Warren, Alisha Kuleski, Town Attorney Bobby Pickens, Town Clerk Andrea Almeida, Finance Officer Jennifer Paul

Town Council Workshop Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for Comprehensive Plan for 2035

January 30, 2024- 5:30 pm.

Mayor Joe Led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Joe explained that this meeting was for public input.

Robert Jordan from the NEFRC introduced what was required for the Comprehensive plan.

Eric Anderson explained the Charts and the FUTURE Land USE Maps and Traffic Plans.

Comprehensive plan elements and Capital Improvement Elements.

Traffic Circle

This plan is for the future of the Town and what has changed in the last ten years.

Audience Question- do you see growth coming this way?

Eric answered yes, the growth of the Shand's Bridge, they aren't leaving, they are coming, it's all about the affordability.

Asked about the expansion of 17. Northeast Florida is slated for Growth.

Proactive Planning is what your comprehensive plan is for.

Eric Anderson asked for any feedback.

Councilwoman Evans Motioned to Adjourn at 5:50 pm

Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

5:55 pm

Resolution 2024-02

Town Clerk read by title only.

Councilwoman Evans motioned to adopt the resolution 2024-02, and Councilwoman Mead 2nd the motion.

No questions were asked.

The Vote was unanimous.

Councilwoman Evans and Mead motioned to adjourn 5:57 pm.

Public Hearing for the Rezoning and Land Change

Mayor Joe Opened the Public Hearing and Read the Rules of the Hearing

John Horan introduced himself and explained how he got involved.

Background Information on the developers, single family homes.

Matt Mortan explained how this project came about and what it has taken to get to it. All photos are actual except for one. The Property is locally owned and operated.

Matt reviewed his slides with the Council.

Matt explained the model is a destination Business Model.

Economic Impact to Local Region, who are you trying to attract?

The New Outdoor Recreational Economy consumer group is millennials.

Travel in groups.

World-Class Facilities and Activities

Firepits, no campfires, and dog friendly.

Hoping to connect to Dunns Creek.

Project Design Overview

320 Sites, 45 On-Site Short-Term Stay Cabins, No Tent Camping.

Matt explained the resort infrastructure.

Signature amenity-driven resort.

67 Acres

Highly Managed Operations

Job Creations

Local Project Team

Positive and Direct Local Economic Impact

Proactive Community Compatibility Initiatives

60 ft of asphalt for the queuing space and the turning. No queuing on the roads. Non-Event "Event".

Proactive Community Compatibility Initiatives access and design compatibility with Sisco Rd.

Joined the National Arbor Day Foundation.

Friends of Dunns Creek.

Dark Sky initiative.

Proactive Community Initiatives

1000 Hours of Sheriff's Service for the Town.

The Trees to the best of their abilities to save as many as possible and plant even more.

Ken Nettles Spoke about the property and previous work that he has done with Mr. Horan. He really enjoys camping, and he wants to improve the area and bring something to the community.

Councilwoman Evans asked about placement for boats. John Horan answered that he was looking to place horse trailers and boats.

Michael Lanzer 291 Sisco Rd

Spoke about zoning and wetlands.

Martha Mann-

She spoke about the time she has spent at the council meetings and how long she has spent coming to meetings and responsible development.

Martha visited the development in Baker County about the project. There was little to no traffic.

The children will need to travel out of town for employment.



Michael Minoto-

It will help and the sound will have an effect.

Would rather see the RV then the homes.

No traffic Jams, for the farms.

Fight to keep it agricultural.

Rick Miller

Ran 4 Lakes RV Park in Hastings

The RV park can't be your draw. In the Winter they will fill your park, in the summer you will have a problem. Why is the entrance off Sisco and not off 17? Are there long-term stays?

Is there 24 management? Town Clerk Andrea explained that the comments need to be directed at the Council.

Eric Allen

117 Lincoln Ave

Built 60 Houses in Palm Coast. The Bass Pro Shop has the RV, which is the draw. Sisco already has a problem. A turning lane to get in. He would like to see residential homes. Permanent Homes raise taxes. Safety Concerns with Propane.

Troy Main 138 George Main Drive

Waiting to retire and has concerns. Worried about driving under the trees and the grade. More trucks, will golf carts be allowed on Sisco Rd. Stormwater Run-off will it affect Spring Lake. Our property values going to go up, how's the going to affect, how do they affect stay times.

Richard Goodwin

130 George Main Drive

If it's a wetlands issue, does Spring Lake affect it? Sisco Rd entry is right across the road from our property. The speed limit is 35mph. The entry is the issue with added traffic.

Roger Carpentier

It's been only a few short years since they put a turning lane in. The traffic has increased over the years.

If you're going to service the water, are you going to replace the local properties wells?

Mitch MCQuaig

The two guys mean good for the community, the number one thing that has ruined that is the multifamily. It's going to bring new growth to the community. If you start putting multifamily homes in there, it will affect the traffic. The building will be the draw, and the campgrounds are such an excellent facility. The future generation needs to do something like this.

Brandy Huyskens

177 Sisco Rd

They own a piece of land that butts up to the property. She would like to see some help to the youth in the area. The Turnover is terrible, but helps with a reliable workforce. She doesn't want to see low-income homes. Martin Huyskens- 21 people being employed. Police hours don't think it's enough. Tampa, Orlando living it's not enough. All for slow growth. Doesn't hear opportunities for anyone. Property Taxes and other avenues can be taken. Building fifty houses is the way to go. They aren't going to live off the city.

Linda Frank
419 Pleasant St

Tired of Hearing that we need to stop this.
All of her brothers and sisters are here in Pomona Park, but one.
Some things need to change, the traffic needs help, ask your local police force.
How long does it take them to get there?
If we keep saying no to everything, then what happens?
You have boating tournaments even in Crescent City.

Boat Ramps- what are they going to do?

Mike Lanzer-
Lake Broward and we live in a recharge area and to control the water usage. The water usage is around 38,000 gallons a day. He believes we need growth, just not like Saint Augustine.

Corky Cranwell-
Growth needs to come to this area.

Alice Wells-
Doesn't believe that the road can handle the impact.

Dave Hamilton
The Codes will take care of themselves.
The water comes from an outside company.
The wetlands can't be built on.

Martha Mann
If we put in 150 homes, would we not be pulling in the same amount of water?

John Horan
Talked about the development and building on the wetlands.
No impact will be made on the wetlands.
We will look into the Safety aspect of Sisco and will continue to look at it. The students and the young people and working with the youth really makes an impact.
Councilwoman Mead Motioned to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

