

TOWN OF FAIRFAX STAFF REPORT August 7, 2019

TO:

Mayor and Town Council

FROM:

Garrett Toy, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Discuss the Residents' Petition submitted per Town Code, for Town to sue

Resources for Community Development for breach of contract.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss the petition and direct staff as appropriate.

DISCUSSION

On July 17, 2019, a resident petition was submitted to the Town for the Council's consideration. Pursuant to Fairfax Municipal Code Section 2.08.090 (C), if the Council is presented with a petition signed by 25 residents urging consideration of an issue, the issue shall be placed on the Council's agenda for discussion. The petition has the required 25 signatures and is on file with the Deputy Town Clerk. A copy of the petition is attached.

The petition concerns the acquisition of an 18 acre parcel at Victory Village. The petition states that the RCD, the developer of the Victory Village affordable senior housing project, promised to donate the 18 acres from Victory Village to the town. Since this was never completed and RCD listed the 18 acres as two lots for sale, the petition requests that the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax direct the Town Attorney to pursue a lawsuit against Resources for Community Development for breaching a verbal contract. The petition also requests for a judge to block the sale of the two lots while the case is being considered.

It should be noted that the October 3, 2018 Council meeting to approve the final parcel map for the project, RCD indicated to the Council that due to significant increases in construction costs and less than anticipated award of state and federal tax credits, RCD will need to sell the two parcels to fund the project. Back in May 2017, RCD had originally hoped it would be able to secure additional grant funding to allow RCD to donate the two 9-acre parcels to the Town.

In-lieu of a donation, staff worked with RCD to secure a 20-ft public access easement which leads to a 150-ft public access easement along the northern ridgeline of the property. The estimated acreage of the easement is between 2-3 acres.

FISCAL IMPACT

n/a

ATTACHMENT

Petition

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We town residents therefore request that the Town Council immediately direct the Town attorneys to sue RCD for breach of contract, and to ask a judge that the sale of said properties be blocked while the case is being considered.

The town has one year in which to file this case upon learning that RCD reneged upon the agreement. Why the attorneys didn't fill out the papers initially, and haven't subsequently filed a case is also a puzzlet which we would like explained. They are well paid.

It is not the job of the Town of Fairfax to make RCD financially whole. It is the job of Fairfax to make sure that these significant representations to the town are realized.

Therefore we direct the TC and attorneys to institute a lawsuit post haste, before the one year is up, and to file an injunction against the sale post haste.

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Fairfax residents:

Name Phyllis Silverberg Address 2378 Sir Francis Drake #6

2) Name Kelly Full Address POBOX DOF TOTAL

3) Name FEGGY DWNEG Address POBOX OUTWOWNESS CA 9497.

4) Name Win Wright Address POBOX OUTWOWNESS CA 94937.

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Name G. Stooke Address 2955 GFD BUR, FX

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Name DAVID Spampanato Address 3250 SIR Francis Deare FX

Name Marsha van Golde Address 5 Scenic Road FX

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