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Emily,

Please include this email in the agenda item. You may want to respond to her that Jeff is out of town and her concerns have been heard and will be included in the agenda packet.

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Mr. Shrum

I have not previously communicated with you directly since you were unavailable, but I expected a follow up, as promised from your office.

This is in regard to the HUGE project that directly affects our neighborhood in Bear Track Ranch. I'm only aware of the new plans because my neighbors informed me of the letter they received and the planned meeting on Sept 8th. I am unable to attend due to surgery that day.

The magnitude of what is being proposed is shocking! The area of reference is all green space right now. These wooded areas are full of native trees, plants and animals. Wildlife has nowhere to go. We're already seeing bears, coyotes, racoons,

turtles, armadillos and more, visiting or inhabiting our yards. We have concerns for our pets also.

I understand the need for some development in this area but with all due respect the infrastructure in Ocala is already unable to manage the housing/apartment construction and the increase in traffic. The backed-up traffic on SW 20th and noise level in our neighborhood is high from SW20th and the interstate. The local elementary school on SW43rd Ct will be impacted by the increase in traffic also.

I'm told there is no safety plan to provide a fence barrier to eliminate "people" traffic from cutting through our yards in Bear Track and I'm not sure what light industrial means, but this area has been strictly residential with the exception of the cemetery and the actual industrial park near the airport. I have expressed my concerns to other members of the city and the county also.

We've lived in Ocala our whole lives. We know growth is expected but we've lost so much green space already this project will have a huge impact on the quality of our great city!

Thank you!
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