

Dear Mayor, Town Council and other interested parties:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the newly proposed high density housing project for Sanibel.

We have recently learned that we are having additional density and traffic issues in Sanibel. Several of us believe that additional low income housing will not help any of the serious traffic problems we have. We need to keep in mind that residents will always have extended family members and guests living with them. All of them will need to travel to and from work and elsewhere daily. We are quite concerned about what will happen when the South Seas Development is built.

Additionally, we already have many high density condos and vacant parcels that have not been restored or developed. Going forward, improvements of these properties will bring additional stress on both transportation and infrastructure. Focusing our resources on these existing homes and lots, that have not been restored, could serve the same purpose as building new high density residences.

We fully support programs that are in place to help provide area citizens with additional resources for housing. However, we question the need to add additional high density developments, that may adversely impact our community, without further considering all residual effects and options.

We appreciate the need to accommodate all needs and income levels. Perhaps we identify ways to provide additional funds for our government workers and others so that they may reside in Sanibel without unnecessarily stressing the difficult problems we already face.

We believe, that the bottom line is that we need additional research and discussion about how to accomplish our mutual goals. To this end, let's not rush decision making and instead have a more collaborative approach to address these issues. We look forward to meeting with you to talk about this further.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Brunn and others

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Mayor, Vice Mayor, Councilmembers,

I wholeheartedly support the BMRH program on Sanibel. I admire the commitment to the integration of BMRH properties to the quality of life on Sanibel. That is why I ask you, in your review of the CHR Proposal for 1523 Periwinkle Way, to look at it closely and imagine what it would be like to live there, what impact it will have on its neighbors and the general sense of place that Sanibel strives to uphold.

For comparison purposes you may want to look at the new Shalimar building fronting on West Gulf Road. From what I can tell, the proposed CHR building is slightly taller and just as long as the Shalimar building. I understand that the orientation on the site is different from the CHR proposal but I can find no representations of the CHR Proposal that shows it in context.

The proposed 4 story building has one elevator, a light well apparently 20 or so feet wide and 45 or so feet high in which the living units face each other, and it sits in a parking lot.

With 39 one bedroom units what will be the number of occupants.

I ask that you explore with CHR what is driving the design and if there are opportunities to make improvements.

Thank you

Dennis Rupert

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