

**From:** [Leslie Ertl](#)  
**To:** [Stacey Hetherington](#); [Harold Jenkins](#); [Doug Smith](#); [Edward Ciampi](#)  
**Cc:** [Sarah Heard](#)  
**Subject:** comp plan/ developement  
**Date:** Monday, September 9, 2024 11:29:45 AM

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Good morning - I am writing as your constituent to appeal to you to represent US not developers. Elected officials should stay in touch with the needs of their constituents. Please stop approving projects and changing the comp plan for more money in your pockets. It is heartbreaking to watch you four and Gov Desantis selling our state. It is so blatant. Please take the time to analyze these requests. We will be living in flooded, overcrowded areas and endless traffic and loss of critical habitat.

Tomorrow's agenda would require several hours of discussion if staff and Commissioners were serious about giving the proposals thorough and balanced consideration. Instead – like the failed effort to rush through outrageous plans to add inappropriate facilities to Jonathan Dickinson and other state parks – Tuesday's BOCC meeting has been planned to severely limit public participation and speed questionable proposals through a truncated process.

**STOP DEVELOPEMENT IN AN IRRESPONSIBLE WAY AND START DOING YOUR JOBS - REPRESENT THE PEOPLE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Leslie Ertl

**From:** [paul vallier](#)  
**To:** [Comish](#)  
**Cc:** [vsherlock@lshlaw.net](#); [Alan Buchfuhrer](#); [Jj\\_Smith \(new\)](#); [Karl Thonnes](#); [Mary Alice Rowley](#); [Bob Shykes Thursday Worker](#); [Bill Steuer](#); [Charles L. Dietz](#); [donnasmelzer@gmail.com](#); [Gene Reed](#); [Frank Gallieti](#); [M.](#)  
**Subject:** LPA and the MC Commission need to immediately pause  
**Date:** Sunday, September 8, 2024 3:42:19 PM

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Are Commissioners Jenkins and Smith trying to pull a fast one before leaving office!? I hope not.

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“The Local Planning Agency will consider five proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments at Thursday’s meeting, including a text amendment that will further expand development in Rural Lifestyle communities.”????!!

The LPA needs to be “at ease” until new commissioners take office. The voters have spoken and they want a new direction that respects our Comp plan!

Paul Vallier  
Stuart

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** [Sam Hay](#)  
**To:** [Stacey Hetherington](#)  
**Subject:** Please protect the Comp Plan  
**Date:** Sunday, September 8, 2024 10:17:17 AM

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Commissioner Hetherington:

I urge you to protect what remains of the Comprehensive Plan at your meeting on Sept 10. You have already approved too many modifications to the Plan which have inevitably resulted in over-development in our county.

Please do not approve any further modifications which would further weaken the protections the Comp Plan was intended to provide. At the very least, delay any changes until they can be properly presented to the public and carefully considered.

Respectfully,  
Sam Hay, Port Salerno

## Joan Seaman

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 4:30 PM  
**To:** Allison Gates  
**Cc:** Samantha Lovelady; Jenna Knobbe  
**Subject:** FW: Comp Plan Amendments

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Allison,  
We need to provide the following email as public comment to the LPA this Thursday and we need to file it in the respective folders. Thanks

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**From:** jlogan@gate.net <jlogan@gate.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 11:42 AM  
**To:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Comish <Comish@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Comp Plan Amendments

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Good morning,

I understand that you are currently reviewing amendments to the Comp Plan that would include changes to Indiantown's treatment when it comes to the residential capacity analysis and USD changes. May I ask, what is the rationale for these changes that reflect a benefit to residents of Martin County?

Did an independent traffic expert review and add comment on the proposed changes to the Transportation Chapter? We all are aware of the significant increase in population and traffic flow in Martin County and should definitely be cautious in any changes made related to same. If an expert did review, are those comments available?

ANY amendments related to our Comp Plan, which have been critical to preserving our wonderful way of life should, in my opinion, ONLY be approved if significant benefits are derived from them.

Best regards,

Jane Logan  
Hobe Sound, FL  
772-485-5503

**From:** [Kate Miller](#)  
**To:** [Paul Schilling](#); [Comish](#)  
**Subject:** no amendments to the comp plan.! No sneaking amendments in over the summer!  
**Date:** Saturday, August 10, 2024 11:24:27 AM

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The comp plan has made Martin County a paradise for those who live there. You are making it a developers' paradise. We will remember at election time. Katharine Miller, 103 River Rd, Hobe Sound, FL 33455

**From:** [Paul Schilling](#)  
**To:** [Joan Seaman](#); [Rebecca Dima](#); [Clyde Dulin](#)  
**Subject:** FW: URGENT REQUEST  
**Date:** Monday, September 9, 2024 8:00:10 AM

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**Paul Schilling**  
Director  
Growth Management Department  
Martin County Board of County Commissioners  
772-288-5473

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**From:** loydb <loydb@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 8, 2024 3:41 PM  
**To:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** URGENT REQUEST



LPA board : Please do not recommend that the Board of County Commissioners approve or reject any amendments to our Comprehensive Plan until newly elected Commissioners are seated and more study and evaluation can be accomplished on behalf of the Citizens.

Sincerely,  
Walter Loyd  
150 SW Cabana Point Circle  
Stuart, Fl. 34994

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 5:24 PM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Public Hearings on 9/24 and 10/22 must be delayed

**From:** carol quackenbos <cquackenbos@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 4:34 PM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard <sheard@martin.fl.us>; eciampi@martin.fl.us; Doug Smith <dsmith@martin.fl.us>; Harold Jenkins <hjenkins@martin.fl.us>; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods <swoods@martin.fl.us>; Don Donaldson <ddonalds@martin.fl.us>; Kimberlee Levee <klevee@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Public Hearings on 9/24 and 10/22 must be delayed

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Sincerely,

Carol Quackenbos

Stuart resident

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:21 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent assistance needed

**From:** L Meadows <pebblept@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:15 AM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Urgent assistance needed

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Sincerely,

Lise' Meadows

Martin county resident- lost lake

8272 Se Paurotis lane

Hobe sound, FL 33455



## Rebecca Dima

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**From:** Paul Schilling  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:29 AM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin; Samantha Lovelady; Rebecca Dima  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent assistance needed

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### Paul Schilling

Director  
Growth Management Department  
Martin County Board of County Commissioners  
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Hobe sound, Fl 33455

## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** L Meadows <pebblept@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:16 AM  
**To:** Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Urgent request needed

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Martin county resident- lost lake  
8272 Se Paurotis lane  
Hobe sound, Fl 33455

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:28 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Delay Sept. 24 and October 22 Public Hearings for Comp Plan Changes

**From:** Denise Belizar <wridea@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 10:22 AM  
**To:** Sarah Heard <sheard@martin.fl.us>; Stacey Hetherington <shetherington@martin.fl.us>; Edward Ciampi <eciampi@martin.fl.us>; Doug Smith <dsmith@martin.fl.us>; Harold Jenkins <hjenkins@martin.fl.us>; Sarah Woods <swoods@martin.fl.us>; Don Donaldson <dtonalds@martin.fl.us>; Kimberlee Levee <klevee@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>; commish@martin.fl.us  
**Subject:** Delay Sept. 24 and October 22 Public Hearings for Comp Plan Changes

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As Martin County residents for over two decades, we have valued the guidance that our county's well-thought-out Comprehensive Plan has placed on growth, and the protection that has meant for our environmental resources. It has truly resulted in the Martin County difference.

While some changes to the Comp Plan over time have been necessary, we are dismayed to see the extent to which its provisions have been eroded – or attempted to be eroded – in recent years. The latest proposed changes could greatly negatively impact our population density, environment, waterways, scarce resources and overall quality of life. There needs to be a more detailed examination of each change to ensure that it is both necessary and the optimal solution to the current situation.

We implore the sitting Martin County commissioners to do the right thing and delay the Sept 24 and Oct. 22 public hearings for comprehensive plan amendments, zoning changes, and a variance until the new commission is seated.

To be frank, the voters have already spoken in choosing to select new commissioners who have promised to be extremely judicious in making any revisions to our Comp Plan. To rush ahead with these changes prior to the new commissioners being seated is insulting to and dismissive of your voting public. It reeks of disingenuous, deceitful politics. You are better than that. At least, we hope you are.

Please delay the Sept 24 and Oct. 22 public hearings until the new commission is seated.

Denise and Ed Belizar  
Jensen Beach residents

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 8:42 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Sept 24 Public Hearing

**From:** Mary Starzinski <marystarkp@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 22, 2024 3:43 PM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Don Donaldson <ddonalds@martin.fl.us>; Kimberlee Levee <klevee@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Sept 24 Public Hearing

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Dear Commissioners,

Please delay the September 24 and October 22 Public hearings for comprehensive plan amendments, zoning changes, and a variance should be delayed until the new commission is seated.

Citizens have repeatedly stated, in the public workshops hosted by the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, that they do NOT want changes to our Comp Plan. This was the most frequently expressed item on the "wish list" that staff asked citizens to compile.

The citizens say: 1) No to changes in the Comp Plan, 2) Control growth and development, 3) Protect and preserve wildlife, waterways, native vegetation and agricultural lands, 4) Reduce traffic congestion 5) Maintain the Martin County difference.

The above are the guidelines the new commissioners have promised to follow. These guidelines must be meticulously applied to each and all of the proposed comp plan amendments. Some of the upcoming proposals encourage costly urban sprawl with its consummate environment, water, and neighborhood zoning area destruction.

Please do NOT push forward with these Martin-busting votes. It would be an improper attempt to silence the voices of residents who have clearly spoken.

Respectfully,  
Drs. Mary Starzinski and Kathy Petteruti

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 8:42 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Sept. 24, 2024 Public hearing

**From:** Barbara Schmucker <barbaraschmucker@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 21, 2024 3:07 PM  
**To:** commish@martin.fl.us; Stacey Hetherington <shetherington@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Doug Smith <dsmith@martin.fl.us>; Edward Ciampi <eciampi@martin.fl.us>; Harold Jenkins <hjenkins@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Sept. 24, 2024 Public hearing

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We are opposed to all the Amendments and Zoning Protections, that Change the Current Comprehensive Plan:

At the Public workshops hosted by the T.C. Regional Planning Council. the majority of attendees said they wanted  
no changes that govern growth and development in the County  
we want the established protection of preserves, wildlife, open spaces and agricultural land.  
we need reduction in traffic congestion

The Regional Planning Council at the costly of \$100,000 recommended to the Sept. 24th meeting just the Opposite!!

It is obvious that these changes at the Sept. 24th meeting are being "railroaded" through before the 2 New Commissioners have a chance to Vote. Mr. Ciampi actually lost his election if you compare the votes for his opponents.

One of the most outrageous amendments concerns the addition of 12 "Cottages" to the new Golf Course plan that originally in their application, said there would be no housing. Now from 6 to 12; when does it stop

It is imperative that this Public Hearing be postponed until November or December when there is appropriate time for Resident's to speak at the meeting.

Respectfully,  
Barbara Gingras-Schmucker  
John McArdle  
3130 SE Indian Wells Place  
Stuart, Fl. 34997

## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 9:35 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: September 24, 2024 Public Hearings

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 3:54 PM  
**To:** Joan Seaman <jseaman@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** FW: September 24, 2024 Public Hearings

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**From:** tomhelga@comcast.net <tomhelga@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 3:42 PM  
**To:** Sarah Heard <sheard@martin.fl.us>; Edward Ciampi <eciampi@martin.fl.us>; Doug Smith <dsmith@martin.fl.us>; Harold Jenkins <hjenkins@martin.fl.us>; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods <swoods@martin.fl.us>; Don Donaldson <ddonalds@martin.fl.us>; Kimberlee Levee <klevee@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** September 24, 2024 Public Hearings

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Sincerely,

Thomas and Helga Galli

## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** Renee Delahunty <rml111@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 7:37 PM  
**To:** Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Stop the Rush to Crush

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Any discussion regarding comprehensive plan amendments, zoning changes, and a variance should be delayed until the newly elected commission is seated.

I was in attendance at the public workshops hosted by the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, and I heard citizens repeatedly stating that they do not want changes to our Comp Plan. This was the most commonly expressed item on the wish list that staff asked citizens to compile.

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The People Have Voted  
Their Desires Must Be Adhered to

Sincerely,

Renee Lessard Moreshead

3919 NE Skyline Dr  
Jensen Beach, FL

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## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** Janet Jorden <jjorden@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 4:23 PM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard; eciampi@martin.fl.us; Doug Smith; Harold Jenkins; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods; Don Donaldson; Kimberlee Levee; Clyde Dulin; Paul Schilling; Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Packed Agendas

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The only reason I am able to think of for packing the Commission's agendas prior to the new commissioners taking their place on the dais is an effort to hurry through unwanted amendments.

We, the voters, have made our wishes very clear both through public meetings and at the ballot box. I strongly urge the commissioners to table all votes on Comp plan amendments, zoning changes and a variance until the new commissioners are seated. There is not an ethical reason for all of these votes to be taking place at warp speed.

Sincerely,

Janet Jorden  
5299 SE Horseshoe Point Rd  
Stuart, FL

## Clyde Dulin

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**From:** Donna S. Melzer <donnasmelzer@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 4:58 AM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard; eciampi@matin.fl.us; Doug Smith; Harold Jenkins; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods; Don Donaldson; Kimberlee Levee; Clyde Dulin; Paul Schilling; Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Sept. 24 Public Hearings on Comp Plan changes, zoning changes, variance

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To: Commissioners Heard, Ciampi, Herthington, Jenkins, Smith  
From: Donna Melzer, Martin County Resident  
Re: Sept. 24, 2024 Public Hearings -- Request for rescheduling

Please reschedule the Public Hearings on the Comp Plan Protection changes, Zoning changes, and the variance to after the new Commissioners take office. Take the interim time to educate the new Commissioners on these important issues.

Martin County residents/voters have repeatedly stated that they do not want changes that weaken our Comp Plan protections and our Martin County difference. This was the most commonly expressed item on the wish list that staff asked citizens to compile.

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Pushing forward now is an improper attempt to stifle the voices of residents/voters who have spoken.

For the record, I oppose the approval at this time of the Comp Plan Amendments proposed in PH-1 Ch. 2, PH-2, Ch8, PH-3 Ch 9, PH-4 Ch 10, PH-5 Ch11, PH-6 Ch 12, PH-7 Ch 13, PH-8 & PH-9 Martin Commons, PH-10 Three Lakes, and oppose PH-11 Zoning changes, PH on Variance. While some changes are ministerial, some have impacts not reviewed. For example, PH-8 and PH-9 have grave impacts on our urban boundary protections overall that are not disclosed, considered or discussed. Not covered by the Staff Report or the Application is that a "free standing urban boundary" creates a new boundary for Rural Lifestyle eligibility for thousands more acres of urban sprawl "600' adjacent" to this new urban service district, both to the east and west.. The "need" claimed for more industrial is contradicted by vacant AgTEC and unbuilt Newfield non-residential acreage. Past issues of interchange industrial at the SR76 exit brought up issues of truck stops and crime issues.

Residents want to strengthen, not weaken, protections and have voted accordingly. The new Commission should consider these proposals line by line with the public and that takes time. Sept. 24 and Oct. 22 scheduled public

hearings on the Comp Plan, zoning, and variance should be rescheduled so you can fully "hear" the Public, not just tune us out..

Science is advancing and more thorough evaluation needs to be made regarding issues of water supply and our aquifer and costs moving forward, flooding issues, wetlands protections and aquifer recharge especially when the Florida wetlands issue is in the Courts, climate change and resiliency, truth in budgeting and who pays for all of the growth is lacking. Clearly with all of the approvals granted over the last years including big projects like Newfield and Harmony and Discovery, and... no rush is needed. While applicants have rights, so do residents.

These Public Hearings should be delayed. The time allotted both on Sept. 24 and Oct. 22 are not adequate. Additionally, the residents/voters have spoken and these important issues should be voted on by the New Commission.

Sincerely,

Donna Melzer, Martin County resident

## Clyde Dulin

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**From:** P S <sunshine50@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 9:42 AM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comp Plan Changes

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**From:** P S <sunshine50@bellsouth.net>  
**Date:** September 19, 2024 at 9:37:48 AM EDT  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us  
**Subject:** **Comp Plan Changes**

Understanding that those who are leaving office may not care or be affected directly by their vote on this issue, why the need to rush! The people have spoken loudly on this issue many times over the years and spoke again in this last election. As more out of state residents come to Martin County, you should be supporting what has made is so great to begin with... the local long, time residents and their voice. Do not ruin what makes Martin County different in an effort to compete for growth and sprawl... keep our comp plan the way it is and prove we are different and this is why people want to come and live here, not to change what it is!!

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Sincerely,

Patty

Native Floridian and long time Martin resident.



## **Maria Harrison**

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 11:12 AM  
**To:** Paul Schilling; Maria Harrison; Samantha Lovelady; Joan Seaman  
**Subject:** FW: Wait on the vote please

I recommend we print these emails and put them on the dais for next Tuesday. That way we can scan and file instead of struggling with PDF.

**From:** cwieds@gmail.com <cwieds@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 11:06 AM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard <sheard@martin.fl.us>; eciampi@matin.fl.us; Doug Smith <dsmith@martin.fl.us>; Harold Jenkins <hjenkins@martin.fl.us>; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods <swoods@martin.fl.us>; Don Donaldson <ddonalds@martin.fl.us>; Kimberlee Levee <klevee@martin.fl.us>; Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>  
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**Yes this is a formatted email, but I do believe you need to wait on the vote until the new elected group is able to vote.**

**Thank you for your consideration**

Sincerely,

Chris and Anne Wiedenmayer

6322 SE Morning Dove Way, Hobe Sound 33455

## Paul Schilling

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**From:** Candy Hile <cancay3@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 11:14 PM  
**To:** Paul Schilling  
**Subject:** Growing Slowly

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Sincerely,

Candy Hile

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## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** Candy Hile <cancay3@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 11:18 PM  
**To:** Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Slow the Growth

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**Maria Harrison**

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 9:33 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 9:17 AM  
**To:** Joan Seaman <jseaman@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

**From:** dm5855@icloud.com <dm5855@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 12:24 PM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

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**Sincerely,**

**Charles Marshall**

**3615 NE Skyline Drive**

**Jensen Beach, FL 34957**

**772-206-1191**

## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** dm5855@icloud.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 12:29 PM  
**To:** Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

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## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** Sabrina Roemisch <sabroemisch@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 3:06 PM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard; eciampi@matin.fl.us; Doug Smith; Harold Jenkins; hetheringtonstacey@martin.fl.us; Sarah Woods; Don Donaldson; Kimberlee Levee; Clyde Dulin; Paul Schilling; Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Hearings for comprehensive plan amendments

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Sincerely,

Sabrina Glover  
Martin County Resident

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## Maria Harrison

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Monday, September 23, 2024 9:34 AM  
**To:** Maria Harrison  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

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**From:** Clyde Dulin  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 9:19 AM  
**To:** Joan Seaman <jseaman@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

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**From:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 3:39 PM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

**Paul Schilling**  
Director  
Growth Management Department  
Martin County Board of County Commissioners  
772-288-5473

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**From:** Sarah Woods <swoods@martin.fl.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 3:35 PM  
**To:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Elysse Elder <eelder@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Public hearings 9/24/2024 & 10/22/2024

**Sarah W. Woods**  
County Attorney  
Martin County Attorney's Office  
Martin County Board of County Commissioners  
2401 SE Monterey Road  
Stuart, FL 34996  
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## Samantha Lovelady

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**From:** ALLEN ATKINSON <4starfire@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 11:08 PM  
**To:** Commish@martin.fl.us; Sarah Heard; eciampi@matin.fl.us; Doug Smith; Harold Jenkins; Sarah Woods; Don Donaldson; Kimberlee Levee; Paul Schilling; Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Not to Rush

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Sincerely,

Allen and Pat Atkinson

**From:** [Paul Schilling](#)  
**To:** [Joan Seaman](#); [Rebecca Dima](#); [Clyde Dulin](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Email  
**Date:** Monday, September 16, 2024 7:50:22 AM

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Paul Schilling  
Director  
Growth Management Department  
Martin County Board of County Commissioners  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Elizabeth Christian <[ejanechristian01@gmail.com](mailto:ejanechristian01@gmail.com)>  
Sent: Saturday, September 14, 2024 6:35 PM  
To: Paul Schilling <[pschilli@martin.fl.us](mailto:pschilli@martin.fl.us)>  
Subject: Email

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Please include my email in any comments . I am not for rural changes of any kind!  
Sent from my iPhone

## Clyde Dulin

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**From:** Paul Schilling  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2024 5:16 PM  
**To:** Joan Seaman; Rebecca Dima; Clyde Dulin  
**Subject:** FW: LPA running roughshod over citizen input

**Paul Schilling**  
Director  
Growth Management Department  
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**From:** brucemon12 <brucemon12@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2024 4:56 PM  
**To:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** LPA running roughshod over citizen input

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The text amendments to the comp plan have ZERO INPUT FROM RESIDENTS. NOT FAIR!!! Golf cottages can have 12 bedrooms per cottage? Motel 12??? Rural Lifestyle designation expansion without citizen input is NOT FAIR. We demand our voices and objections be accounted for.

Bruce Montefusco  
Hobe Sound

## Allison Gates

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**From:** Virginia Sherlock <vsherlock@lshlaw.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2024 4:13 PM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin; James Moir  
**Cc:** Paul Schilling; Stephanie Heidt; Elysse Elder; Virginia Sherlock  
**Subject:** RE: Tonight's LPA meeting

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Clyde,

As you well know, the notice published in TCPalm does not provide copies of the staff report, agenda item summaries, or data and analysis. And few residents rely on the TCPalm notice, as you also know. The agenda is routinely e-mailed to those of us who have specifically requested inclusion on the e-mail sent by the County in advance of LPA meetings. We rely on that e-mail notice.

Your response confirms my fear that staff is trying to ram through these amendments without adequate time or information for the public to evaluate them.

Ginny Sherlock  
LITTMAN, SHERLOCK & HEIMS, P.A.  
P.O. Box 1197  
Stuart, FL 34995  
Telephone: (772) 287-0200  
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**From:** Clyde Dulin [mailto:cdulin@martin.fl.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2024 4:03 PM  
**To:** Virginia Sherlock <vsherlock@lshlaw.net>; James Moir <James.Moir@martin.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Stephanie Heidt <sheidt@tcrpc.org>; Elysse Elder <eelder@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** RE: Tonight's LPA meeting

Hello,  
Please see the attached verification that notice was published by TC Palm on Wednesday July 3, 2024.

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**From:** Virginia Sherlock <vsherlock@lshlaw.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2024 3:56 PM  
**To:** James Moir <James.Moir@martin.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>; Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Virginia Sherlock <vsherlock@lshlaw.net>  
**Subject:** Tonight's LPA meeting





Jim,

Sorry for the late comments on tonight's LPA agenda, but the agenda wasn't sent out until yesterday and I haven't had adequate time to thoroughly review the three proposed amendments to the Comp Plan (Housing Chapter, Arts, Culture and Historic Preservation Chapter and Public Schools Facilities Chapter) which apparently are being submitted as part of the EAR process.

In addition to the late notice, the data and analysis supporting the amendments has not been provided. The staff report for each amendment says the data and analysis "will be submitted to State Land Planning Agency as part of the transmittal packet. Copies are available in the Growth Management Department, upon request."

This is not how the process is supposed to work. The data and analysis should be provided for review by the LPA and the public at the time the amendments are presented.

Are members of the public going to be charged exorbitant fees for requesting copies from Growth Management?

Why is staff hiding the required data and analysis from both LPA members and the public?

Why was less than 48 hours notice given of intent to present these EAR amendments to the LPA?

The amendments are confusing and very technical; impossible to review and evaluate in time to make meaningful comments.

I request that the LPA postpone hearing these three agenda items -- NPH-2, NPH-3 and NPH-4 -- until members of the public can be properly noticed and provided with adequate time to review and evaluate the amendments.

Thank you.

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## Allison Gates

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**From:** execdirector@theguardiansofmartincounty.com  
**Sent:** Friday, July 19, 2024 11:55 AM  
**To:** Clyde Dulin  
**Cc:** Paul Schilling; Stephanie Heidt; Public\_Records; Jenna Knobbe; Samantha Lovelady  
**Subject:** Re: EAR Amendments

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Thanks Clyde. Files rec'd. I'll follow up with you and Stephanie if I have any questions.

Greg Braun  
Executive Director  
The Guardians of Martin County  
(561)-758-3417

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**From:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 19, 2024 9:35 AM  
**To:** execdirector@theguardiansofmartincounty.com <execdirector@theguardiansofmartincounty.com>  
**Cc:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; Stephanie Heidt <sheidt@tcrpc.org>; Public\_Records <Public\_Records@martin.fl.us>; Jenna Knobbe <jknobbe@martin.fl.us>; Samantha Lovelady <slove@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** RE: EAR Amendments

Greg,  
As you may know, the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council was contracted to work on the Housing Element. Please see the attached data and analysis used to draft the changes to the Housing element. We will take care of the typo. Thanks.

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**From:** execdirector@theguardiansofmartincounty.com <execdirector@theguardiansofmartincounty.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 18, 2024 2:36 PM  
**To:** Paul Schilling <pschilli@martin.fl.us>; pschilling@martin.fl.us  
**Cc:** Clyde Dulin <cdulin@martin.fl.us>  
**Subject:** EAR Amendments

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Greetings Paul; I rece'd the notice yesterday that the proposed revisions to the Housing, Arts and Culture and School chapters of the Comp Plan will be considered by the LPA this evening.

The Staff Reports for these EAR Amendments indicate that copies of the Data and Analysis "are available in the Growth Management Department, upon request".

Please accept this request that when they are available, please provide to me the backup Data and Analysis for the Housing Amendment.

Also, I noticed one typo in the Strikethrough and Underline version of Chapter 16. I think that "Gild" on the 3rd line of the 3<sup>rd</sup> full paragraph on Page 3 should be "Guild".

Thanks,

Greg Braun  
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**Sent:** Friday, July 19, 2024 1:12 PM  
**To:** Don Donaldson  
**Cc:** Sarah Heard; Edward Ciampi; Harold Jenkins; Paul Schilling; Clyde Dulin; Elysse Elder; Virginia Sherlock  
**Subject:** Please insist on transparency in EAR process

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Don,

At the Local Planning Agency meeting last night, staff concealed information and comments from the public and LPA members. The lack of transparency in the EAR process is concerning.

I signed up to receive e-mails from staff regarding upcoming LPA meetings, and staff usually sends an e-mail with the LPA agenda and staff reports a week or so before each meeting. But the e-mail for Thursday's meeting was not sent until Wednesday, providing agenda summaries for three Comprehensive Plan Amendments proposed by staff as part of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report process. The proposed amendments are very technical and difficult to understand. It was simply impossible to conduct meaningful review prior to the LPA meeting.

Additionally, the staff reports for the Comp Plan amendments acknowledged that data and analysis required for approval was not included in the agenda packet. Staff noted that the data and analysis would be provided to the state when the amendments are transmitted for agency review and would be available for review at the Growth Management Department upon request. I do not understand why the data and analysis was not included in the agenda packet to provide LPA members a basis for their decision to recommend adoption of the proposed amendments.

I have not been able to locate e-mail addresses on the County website for LPA members. I sent an e-mail to one member whose address I have and to staff, asking that the Comp Plan amendment agenda items be postponed to give citizens time to review and evaluate them and requesting that the data and analysis for the amendments be included in the agenda packet. I copied staff on my e-mail, assuming that the comments would be made part of the record.

But staff did not mention the concerns I raised and did not advise the LPA of my comments regarding the agenda items. I am requesting that my e-mail be included in the agenda packet when these items are presented to the BOCC.

In addition to the three Comp Plan Amendments, LPA members will vote Thursday on a PUD Zoning Agreement Master and Final Site Plan for a 43-lot residential development on 29.23 acres between SE Cove Road and SE Salerno Road called Pepperwood Assemblage.

The disclosure of interests affidavit identifies the realtor for the project as Reed Hartman, son and business partner of LPA member Rick Hartman.

The property owner is JAMSZ Properties, Inc., owner of a 6-acre parcel in Palm City that Ed Ciampi convinced his colleagues to purchase for more than \$4 million in County funds last year to avoid a proposed apartment project that, while in compliance with County development regulations approved by Ciampi, neighboring property owners opposed.

The LPA meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday in Martin County Commission Chambers. You can download the agenda at

<https://martin.legistar.com/DepartmentDetail.aspx?ID=39443&GUID=52FD16B4-3EEC-4E39-8581-A16495CBE3E1&Search=>

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Ginny Sherlock

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