August 8, 2018

To: Robert Hall - Planning and Zoning Administrator, the Members of the Wexford County Joint Planning Commission,

From: The residence of The Hideaway subdivision in Cherry Grove Township, Wexford County, MI

It has come to the attention of the residence of this neighborhood that a Special Use Permit has been applied for the property at 116 W. Lake Drive for the purpose of developing a weekly rental property. It is my understanding that a special use permit authorizes land uses that are allowed and encouraged by ordinance and declared harmonious with the applicable zoning district. A weekly rental property is akin to a motel and in our opinion a motel in a residential neighborhood is **not harmonious**.

In recent years three single family residence have been purchased by absentee investors and converted to weekly rentals. The properties are not managed according to the disclosure agreement at the time it is made into a rental and that includes maintaining the grounds. Two of the properties only get the grass cut every two or three weeks. This is not harmonious with the owner-occupied properties that maintain their properties in a pristine condition

Personally, my neighbor and I have one /weekly rental at 238 W. Lake Drive that is within 300 ft of our properties and another, 120 Birch Lane that is within 100 ft. our properties. If you grant a special use permit for 116 W. Lake Drive (also within 100 ft of our property), we feel that it is over the top and unreasonable for the neighborhood to tolerate.

We feel that these daily/weekly rentals are a detriment to the Hideaway Subdivision and not harmonious with a residential district. If this is allowed to persist you will be creating a motel atmosphere in a residential subdivision. Therefore, we respectfully request that a special use permit be denied.

HIDEAWAY PLAT HOMEOWNERS

Address

Name

We the undersigned object to the special use permit for 116 W. Lake Drive

Signature

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PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR THE PLAT OF THE HIDEAWAY,
BEING PART OF GOVERNMENT LOTS TWO (2) and THREE (3),
SECTION THREE (3), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE NORTH (T 2) N),
RANGE TEN WEST (R 10 W), CHERRY GROVE TOWNSHIP,

WEXFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN

i) PREAMBLE:

These Protective Covenants of the said Plat of The Hideaway, dated as of the 30 day of September 1965, and executed by the undersigned, in all being the owners in fee simple of the property to which these Protective Covenants apply, have been prepared and executed by the undersigned because of their belief that protective covenants are essential to the sound development of the area known as the said Plat of The Hideaway, and because the undersigned firmly believe that the protective covenants contribute to the maintenance of the value levels in this neighborhood."

These Protective Covenants, from the date of execution hereof, apply to the following described real estate:

The Plat of The Hideaway, Part of Government Lots Two (2) and Three (3), Section Three (3), Township Twenty-one North (1 2) N), Range Ten West (R 10 W), Cherry Grove Township, Wexford County, Michigan.

2) Area of Application:

All covenants and provisions herein in their entirety shall apply to all of the land and all other real estate located and to be located in the aforesaid.

3) Residential Area Covenants:

(a) Land Use and Building Type:

No lot shall be used except for residential purposes. No building, excepting those buildings presently existing on the property, shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any lot other

Definitions

Special Use Permit: A special use permit authorizes land uses that are allowed and encouraged by the ordinance and declared <u>harmonious</u> with the applicable zoning district.

Diminution of Property in value is a legal term of art used in calculating damages in a legal dispute and describes a measure of value lost due to a circumstance or set of circumstances that caused the loss.

DISCUSSION

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• Responsibility

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