

## GL/A-23-250 minor variance

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Committee of Adjustment:

Due to the reschedule date April 9th, I am not able to attend the meeting. i will be travelling at that time of this meeting, with no access to internet or phone, I am, however, very passionate about having my voice heard on this matter.

**I am reaching out (begging) anyone named on this email or a committee member, to read the statement below aloud, as both a matter of record and a personal plea.**

The following are the words of Troy Smillie.

I am a 4th generational farmer, my father-in-law and I worked, planted and harvested the land this hotel is being built on for over 50 years. It is very sad to see excellent farm land being paved over and destroyed for profit, however the approval for the development has already been made by the OLT. It is very upsetting, not only because my life will be severely impacted by the increase in commercial traffic, noise and security concerns, but to see the loss of even more greenbelt land through the legal misrepresentation of a developer.

You have all seen the architecture drawings of the proposed building and it is clear to anyone that this building is a "hotel", purpose built to accommodate overnight guests. I understand that these proceedings are not to discuss the buildings use on Greenbelt land, but to decide if it's over-night accommodation can be increased without a permanent residential home.

I have to question the validity for "farm worker" housing. It is obvious that Paradise Fields is a for-profit commercial operation and that the agricultural label is just the means to work around land use restrictions. Mr. Roque is a developer and LIV communities is a development enterprise, by allowing this variance you are complacent in allowing further misuse of sensitive Greenbelt land.

There is no realistic way to enforce that these extra rooms will be used by farm workers only, and not used by paying customers. There is a precedent for mistrust in this request and an easy opportunity for misuse.

I would ask the committee to please deny this request and to halt the continued development of sensitive greenbelt land. It is these seemingly small requests that enable developers to continue building and taking advantage of legal loopholes. Don't look at the flashy presentation by the consultant, but look to your heart and gut at the sincerity of what is being asked.

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