

By e-mail & regular mail - To City of Marco Island, Florida City Council

November 8, 2021

Sub: Opposition to appeal by 986 Sundrop LLC Boat Dock Extension

To the City Council of Marco Island:

For the record, I, Dr. Rajani Thangavelu am the original homeowner of 983 Sundrop Court, Marco Island, FL 34145 having purchased in 1975 (with my late husband) and have lived peacefully for years. We chose this very lot due to the magnificent and uninterrupted view of the Marco River, with its tranquil setting. Coming from a tropical background, the Island with its small-town character is my true Shangrila on Earth especially during my senior living years.

The dock and associated mega-yacht will significantly trample my view, especially the left view from my property. My old mother aged 99 yrs. seated in her wheel chair enjoys watching the view of the Marco river from the house, including the dolphins and boats that go by. Her ability to do this would be encumbered by this proposed boat dock which extends unreasonably beyond the permitted limit. My daughter, a Performing Artist and a Professional Sound-Healer retreats from her busy life style at our home.

My property value will also be significantly impacted. I am so afraid that, the ripple currents from such a mega-yacht can hurt my sea wall and can weaken the structure of my property. Also need for a crew to man the yacht and maintain will cause sound disturbance especially for those including myself in the court tip/cul-de-sac and nearby homes. The sea life such as dolphins, manatees may be forced away far from our vicinity. My Seacraft model home plan built by Deltona sits somewhat at an angle which will have further impacted leftward view of the river.

Most importantly, allowing a mega-yacht on the end of a canal is not what Marco Island is, and the Council should not give its stamp of approval for a change to the character of the island. It is the very purpose of the Board, as listed on its website, "to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors on Marco Island while managing growth and development and protecting the island's tropical *small town character*" (emphasis added).

I am totally against the petition and ask the council to uphold the informed and impartial decision of the planning board on this matter. To maintain the island's small-town character, the Council should deny the (appeal) application for a dock to house a mega-yacht.

Sincerely,



Dr. Rajani Thangavelu

Addendum:

At the scheduled time of the hearing in December 2021, I may be away in Overseas attending to personal pressing matter with my daughter Thara Thangavelu. However, I will make every attempt to reach you at the scheduled time of the hearing. My 917 587 7997 is also my WhatsApp number.

For any reason I am unable to reach by phone/facetime at the time due to unforeseen technical difficulties, I humbly request you to accept the above written contents to serve as my testimony and to be read on my behalf. I have requested my neighbor, (also affected party representative), Mr. Mitchell McBride, (who is copied of my emails) to share my concerns and that I am against the petition by 986 Sundrop LLC on the boat dock extension to the City Council.

Thank you.

Dr. Rajani Thangavelu

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO GIVE TESTIMONY

November 9, 2021

To the City Council of Marco Island:

Please be advised that the undersigned is an affected person who intends to give testimony to the City Council on December 6, 2021 regarding 986 Sundrop LLC's appeal of the Planning Board's denial of its boat dock extension request.

Pursuant to City of Marco Island Quasi-Judicial Proceedings, Sec. 3(c)(4):

- (i) I, Dr. Rajani Thangavelu, am the owner of 983 Sundrop Court, Marco Island, FL 34145 (phone number is 917-587-7997) and I intend to give testimony.
- (ii) I do not intend to employ consultants or experts on my behalf.
- (iii) I do not plan to refer to documents, correspondence, or memoranda in my testimony.
- (iv) I am against the petition and ask the Council to uphold the informed and impartial decision of the Planning Board on this matter.
- (v) I am an affected person because my property at 983 Sundrop Court directly adjoins the subject property (986 Sundrop Court), and, therefore, as a natural person who owns property within 300 feet of the subject property, I am an affected person. *See* Sec. 2 (definition of affected person). With this notice, I am also now a party to this matter. *See id.* (definition of party).

I thank the City Council for its thoughtful review of the matter.



Dr. Rajani Thangavelu