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From: Barry Cliff <Barry.Cliff@iasadmin.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2019 10:49 AM
To: Call, Rosemarie
Subject: Vote no on Bayway hotel please

Dear Mayor and City Councilors,

I am writing to you in connection with the proposed new high-rise hotel to be built on the site of the existing Chart House hotel in Clearwater Point.

In my opinion this is not a desirable project for local residents or for the overall ambience of the neighborhood.

The neighborhood in which the hotel is proposed, Clearwater Point (the area to the east of the Sand Key bridge), has long been a quiet haven on Clearwater Beach. There are no hotels there now, save for the small, low-density Chart House. There are also no buildings higher than about 4 floors on the water side of the road. For these reasons alone a high rise hotel of 90 rooms seems entirely inappropriate. It would stick out like a sore thumb, negatively affect the peace and quiet of the neighborhood, and will no doubt become the thin edge of the wedge for further commercial projects.

Please also note:

- The deleterious effect of a high-rise hotel on the views of very many condos in the high rises of Clearwater Point, and the consequent knock-on effect on property values.
- The undesirable increase in traffic, both automobile and pedestrian, around Clearwater Point.
- No doubt the expectation of hotel guests will be access to the beach. In fact the nearest LEGAL beach access is over ½ mile away, being the public beach across the Beachwalk. It is an absolute certainty that hotel guests will attempt to access the lovely beach on the Point by trespassing thru our private Beach pool area or trespassing via the corner of Island House (895 Gulfview)
- If a developer wants to build another hotel on Clearwater Beach there are many lots available (not on Clearwater Point) with much better access to local facilities and to the beach.

In short, this project serves only the interests of the real estate owner/developer and holds no value whatsoever for local residents, and in fact is extremely detrimental to our interests! I doubt that there are ANY Clearwater Point residents who think this proposed hotel is an acceptable idea.

Please vote “no” on ceding 27 units to Decade properties on Jan 17th.

Regards,

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