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 Green Point

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Dear Supervisors,

I am in favor of separating Green Point from Black Point and believe that is not only desirable, but necessary to restore peace to our community and the quiet enjoyment of my property without interference by Black Point.

This letter is to dispel misconceptions surrounding the current plan (1978), the draft plan (July 27, 2015) and the facts offered by Green Point.

Green Point homeowners recently formed (incorporated) The Green Point Advisory Committee to preserve and enhance Green Point.

At a recent Advisory Committee meeting we learned the sole reason this area underwent the expensive and divisive process of revising the current (1978) plan is because members of the Black Point Improvement Club requested it so they could better evaluate (restrict) our home improvement projects in Green Point. This was announced at the Feb Advisory Committee meeting.

Judy Arnold reached out to Susanna Mahoney to create the Advisory Committee. Susanna reached out to a Black Point Improvement Club meeting for the other members.

The Black Point Improvement Club is a private, special interest club. It is NOT an HOA. It is voluntary, has no authority or governing powers and is not regulated, which actual HOAs are. Dues must be paid to have a voice in this private club and to hold office. This was an inappropriate place to gather members for the Advisory Committee.

The Black Point Improvement Club selected 3 members from Black Point and 2 from Green Point, even though the county numbers are 380 or more households in Green Point, 230 in Black Point.

The Advisory Committee is required (see Guidelines) to use all means necessary to inform the community. They only used the Black Point Improvement Club email distribution list.

The Advisory Committee is required (see Guidelines) to represent a consensus of the constituency and bring that voice and that stance to the county.

Instead, the Advisory Committee communicates very little to the community going so far as to vote on issues when they first hear of them, without even the pretense of involving the community that they are to notify, elicit comments from and pass those comments to the Supervisors. (see minutes of Jan Advisory Committee meeting as just one recent example).

Green Point asked for more time to catch up with the workings of the Advisory Committee and for county help in getting the word out. We were refused so we took it upon ourselves to do our best to inform the community of the Mar 8 arbitrary deadline.

We held our first meeting after being told that the only item on the agenda for the Mar 8 hearing (by Brian Crawford, Jack Liebster and Kristin Drumm) would be separating Green Point from Black Point. After the first neighborhood wide meeting, to which all Green Point was invited with mail and 5 A frames out for 5 days, we had to scramble to include more information at a second meeting when we were told that the Hearing would be on the merits of the draft plan and the separation.

We had limited time to convey the complexities and deficiencies in the proposed plan. Even the Advisory Committee does not endorse the draft plan.

Separating the two communities means we have to have a new plan. This is a difficult concept to convey but neither plan has language for this. Most of Green Point is in favor of the split, not completely understanding that either the draft plan, or the current 1978 plan needs changes to

reflect the recognition that Green Point is its own community.

The Black Point Improvement Club, substantially the same board members as the Advisory Committee, seek to limit home size. If they don't succeed right now, they are on record as writing they will continue to push for home size limits not only in Green Point, but county wide. See Hank Barner letter submitted at the Jan Advisory Committee meeting.

Green Point has harmoniously lived with the current plan and county plan since 1978. This revision process has pitted groups against each other, created hostility and friction and proposals far beyond what you likely had in mind when granting the resources to Black Point.

We were tasked with forming and meeting, and we have. The attendance at our meetings has been huge, showing there is a need and a desire in Green Point to be informed and involved. No other meeting put on by the Advisory Committee, Black Point Improvement Club, nor county was noticed and promoted sufficiently. We mailed first class letters and clearly indicated Green Point, not Black Point. The public has spoken.

Most don't realize supervisors have Black Point as a recommended site for a pot dispensary, although it is right on the county website under medical cannabis dispensary ordinance, maps.

Everything we've stated has proof. Yet the Advisory Committee and Black Point Improvement Club is selectively distributing propaganda that we are spreading falsehoods. The Advisory Committee should be working with us to get the word out, not shutting us down. We are working against our own representatives.

I want the voice of the Advisory Committee to hold no more weight than any individual resident for their complete failure to follow the guidelines that govern their responsibilities and behavior.

Green Point is working on listing the deficiencies and inappropriate

portions of the draft plan, also where Black Point carves out exceptions for themselves but not Green Point, where visibility and light and other more nebulous and troubling factors are given as restrictions, where the Black Point Improvement Club has discussed their desire to keep on pressing for home size limitations and their ability to vote in taxes for the community to pay for their failing infrastructure and we will have as much as possible submitted in advance of your hearing.

It is interesting the Karyn Kambur (a competing real estate agent) writes to complain that at the last Advisory Committee meeting I was interrogating when I asked how the committee was formed. Interestingly, Hank Barner, who was running the meeting, also said I couldn't ask questions. I asked him, by whose authority am I being told, as part of representative government, in a democracy, speaking to my supposed representatives, at an official meeting, I cannot get information? What's the point of the meeting??

I had asked this germane question one month ago and the 4 Advisory Committee members could not answer how they were enjoying the privilege of receiving public funds and resources to gather and represent the voice of the community.

We of Green Point are unhappy to not have had a voice in this process, to have been misled and shut out, our voices ignored or refuted. I know this is not what you had in mind when you started this process. Let's let Black Point have the plan they had the say in, and permit the larger Green Point to also have its plan, boundary and identity.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Roberta DiPrete