

Communication from Public

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I have been a resident of Green Meadows West for 54 years. My family was one of the first to buy a home in this community in 1971. I grew up in this quiet, peaceful, safe neighborhood where everyone looks out for each other. I walk the neighborhood daily, know almost every family here, and many of my neighbors refer to me as the “mayor” of this little community. Green Meadows West has always been a place where people feel secure, connected, and proud to live.

I first became aware of the Silver RV Park project in May 2024 when I personally saw the developer installing RV hookups on the property at 23416 and 23514 S. President Avenue. A security guard was already living on the site in an RV. When I asked what was being built, I was told it would be a “luxury RV park with all luxury RVs.” I knew immediately that was false based on the number of old RVs on the lot and the lack of any park amenities typical of a true luxury RV park. I shared what I saw with my neighbors, and every single one reacted with shock and outrage, saying they would expect homes—not an RV park—to be built on that land. I urged every neighbor I spoke with to submit complaints to Councilmember McOsker’s office and to attend the June 19, 2024 Neighborhood Council meeting.

My first attempt to contact Councilmember McOsker’s office resulted in a call back not from a field deputy, but from Pamela Thornton. She introduced herself and immediately began trying to convince me that the RV park would be good for our community. She described the project manager, Donyea Adams, as a “really nice guy” and encouraged me to talk to him. I asked her why no one from the City or developer notified the neighborhood about this project. She told me that back in February 2024 she had instructed the developer to speak to the neighborhood but claimed she did not know they failed to do so until speaking with me. She again urged me to talk to Mr. Adams and said I should try to convince other neighbors the project was “a good thing.” I told her plainly that would not happen because the developer never met with the community and had already been dishonest. I ended the call with even more concern.

Since then, Green Meadows West has united to stop what we believe is an irresponsible and unsafe project in the middle of a quiet residential neighborhood. We have filed several appeals, attended dozens of meetings, and repeatedly been told that because “we are in a housing crisis,” we are expected to accept this project—despite the fact that an RV park is not housing. After more than a year of this process, many of us have developed a deep mistrust in how the City has handled this project.

This mistrust was made significantly worse after what I personally witnessed on November 17, 2025 following the PLUM Committee meeting. After our matter was heard in Room 1010, I walked out with several neighbors. As we talked in the hallway, we discussed how both CPC and LADBS had confirmed violations of the LAMC 14.00 A.7 performance standards. We were also stunned that LADBS claimed during the meeting they had no report—even though their written report was already uploaded to the Council File. It was their third meeting arriving unprepared or claiming confusion.

While talking, we heard raised voices around the corner. It was the developer, Mr.

Silver, sounding uneasy about the meeting outcome, and his attorney, Mr. Resnick, reassuring him that “everything is going to be fine” and that they would “win this.”

As I listened, I saw Pamela Thornton approach the developer’s group. She greeted them calmly and pleasantly, saying she was “neutral” and “not on one side or the other.” Mr. Resnick and Mr. Stewart told her they wanted to find “common ground,” that they were willing to “work something out with the City,” and that they “didn’t understand why the public was so upset.” They asked her to go back and “talk to whoever” to help reach an agreement. They even mentioned they did not want to file more lawsuits but were prepared to if necessary. They repeated three times that they “didn’t understand why the neighborhood was so upset.” This entire interaction ended with handshakes, smiles, and giggling between Ms. Thornton and the developer’s representatives.

At that point, my neighbors and I approached them. I explained directly why the neighborhood is upset: because the developer has not been honest and has repeatedly told false or misleading statements to the City and to the public. I reminded them they have not complied with three of the twelve mandatory performance standards. I also explained that the neighborhood was never contacted despite being told otherwise.

During this exchange, Ms. Thornton herself confirmed that she told the developer to meet with the neighborhood, and they simply never did. I also corrected the developer’s repeated claims about “\$100,000 RVs” and “10-year RV age limits,” both of which were false. When I described how neighbors were told on phone calls that inoperable RVs would be towed into the park, no one disputed it. When I stated that there were three Tuff Sheds on the lot connected to water and electricity—making them structures that require permits—Mr. Stewart confirmed they existed but did not deny how they are used.

I finished by telling them I am tired of hearing the developer and team misrepresent things in meeting after meeting and seeing the City accept it. I also reminded Mr. Silver that he has a track record of leaving behind deteriorating, substandard properties, such as his site in Wilmington, and that our neighborhood does not deserve to be left with the same.

As the CPC meeting ended and we were directed to leave the building, Ms. Thornton walked with us toward the elevator. She smiled but said nothing to any of the neighbors.

This entire experience—dishonesty from the developer, lack of transparency, conflicting statements, and what appeared to be private collaboration between City staff and the applicant—has destroyed trust in this process. Our neighborhood deserves to be heard, and our safety, quality of life, and property values deserve to be protected.

For all these reasons, I strongly urge the City Council to uphold the CPC determination and protect the residents of Green Meadows West from this incompatible and unsafe RV park project.