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Good evening Ingrid,

Thank you for calling me today and I appreciate the help you gave me about the plans for A unit's seawall project. If for any reason I don't make it to the meeting, I rely on you reading out the attached.

As Ron Brown, our Bel Lido Homeowners Association President, always says we appreciate our "little piece of paradise" here in the Bel Lido neighborhood! Highland Beach Drive is beautiful, especially where we are right at the point of the Cul de Sac.

Kindest regards,

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A Unit Permit for Seawall 6ft above elevation NAD

As the immediate neighbour in our 4 Townhouse Highland Pointe Community, we are distressed to learn about a building project that will have a disruptive effect on our small community.

I have asked 'what is the increase in height for the proposed seawall compared to the existing seawall built in 1980?' I've had no response from the engineer and as a layman cannot see that measurement on the plans. Surely, it is not unreasonable to ask, as the direct neighbour who will be impacted by this increased height of seawall, what will be the difference in feet & inches? Also I would like the proposed "two 10-foot returns" explained to me?

I've spoken to Ingrid, our Town Planner and she assured me the plans are only for the new seawall and not for the back terrace project that will severely compromise our water view. I was told by the architect there would be a wall between our unit B's patio and the new project for A unit. I understand we are in a "multifamily" situation but for us to lose the huge selling point of a water's edge view from our adjacent back patio is extremely distressing. Please take these words on board for future planning and permitting.

As a Real Estate agent for Premier Estate Properties in this area with over 20 years experience, I want to stress that values are increased hugely by exceptional or special wide water views. We have been the owners of our residence for now almost eight years. It is a unique situation where by we have an Intracoastal lagoon that does not get severely effected by Intracoastal boat traffic due to the marina of Ocean Cove which acts as a buffer. Sadly, I sense no maintenance was done to the A unit seawall and I've been told via the grapevine the owners believe their property is sinking. Well if there has been no order to "fill" behind the seawall on a regular basis, there will be subsidence. If only waterfront residents carried out annual maintenance to fill behind their seawall, this sense of "sinkage" could be minimized.

As long as the proposed seawall construction is to code at 6 feet above base flood elevation and all workers are licensed and insured, we cannot object. However, if the follow up project severely impacts our water view, we shall object and make that statement now. Our current privacy on Unit B patio is key and any changes to trees/vegetation on our property line must be reinstated at the expense of the A unit owners. Ingrid told me that for planning permission for unit A's next project there may not be a public hearing so that's why I have come out this morning to stress the importance to not compromise our B unit's wide water Intracoastal view. Thank You.