

# Exhibit I

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Good evening Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, and the rest of the board,

I come before you as a fairly new resident of Lake Park to speak on behalf of not only myself and my new and growing family, but on behalf of the younger generation who live in Lake Park and are eager to finally see growth and meaningful change.

Just like all families that I know who have moved to this area within the last 5 years, we were attracted to Lake Park for a myriad of reasons: small-town charm, friendly neighbors, and in close proximity to the beautiful intercoastal, to name a few.

It was obvious, however, that development was needed. The downtown area had the framework already, it just needed *something* to attract families and residents of all ages, both in *and* around Lake Park. Something that served as a destination anchor and centerpiece of a synergistic economic ecosystem. On behalf of the younger, and new, generation of Lake Park, I am respectfully informing you that we believe a high rise structure is not the answer.

Lake Park is in need of a signature town center, something that encourages long-term community growth rather than short-term residency. A place where residents stay in town rather than leave to a different area for entertainment or social gatherings. Therefore, we oppose the construction of anything greater than 7 stories, including parking garage floors. We oppose increasing the allowable density of any subdistrict from 48 to 60 dwelling units per acre, and we ask that voices of the community are honored when determining the PADD future.

If Lake Park is to stand a chance at attracting, and retaining, quality residents, businesses, and a sense of community, it cannot allow for the remaining opportunities of development to be used on anything but projects with a legitimate interest in the good of the public.

Thank you.