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## **UPDATED Public Participation Summary**

## RE: Rezoning of property located at 501 NW 17<sup>th</sup> Street ("Property")

Dear Nicholas:

Please allow this correspondence to supplement the Pubic Participation Summary provided in January of this year regarding the proposed development on the Property. As you are aware, the Applicant held two public meetings with the South Middle River Civic Association ("SMRCA") on April 25, 2017 and October 24, 2017. In addition to those two meetings, the current property owner held a meeting with the neighbors on November 8, 2017. The purpose of each of the meetings was to discuss the proposed site plan, rezoning and plat ("Project") applications associated with the Property. Since those meetings, and the applicant's February hearing before the Fort Lauderdale Planning and Zoning Board, we have presented the project to SMRCA three additional times. Specifically, the applicant (DR Horton) met with SMRCA on March 14, 2018, May 9, 2018, and June 26, 2018. The three meetings were held either at the Property, or at the Fort Lauderdale Tennis Club. We were not provided with a copy of the attendance sheets, but same can be obtained from the SMRCA President, Mr. Terry Nolen if needed by the City.

The presentation materials presented at each meeting included the proposed site plan, elevations, and building renderings. Over the course of the three meetings many suggestions were made by SMRCA as to desired site plan changes. Those suggested changes included: adding a pool, removing on street parking, reducing the number of units, modifying the elevations, creating more space between the units, and planting more tress in the retention area. Although all the suggestions made related to the site plan, DR Horton made all of them, to some degree. For example, on street parking is still provided, however few spaces are being created.

At the last meeting before SMRCA, we received a vote of approval and anticipate having a letter of support soon. You have in your possession all the previous letters of support, so I am not adding them to this correspondence.

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Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me with any comments or questions.

Sincerely,

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## SOUTH MIDDLE RIVER CIVIC ASSOCIATION

**A COMMUNITY OF NEIGHBORS** 

July 22<sup>th,</sup> 2018 Hope Calhoun Partner, Dunay, Miskel & Backman 14 SE \$th Street, Suite 36 Boca Raton, FL 33432

The South Middle River Civic Association will like to report to you that in our last General Membership Meeting after your presentation our neighborhood voted to support the development of Gardenia Park in the lot on NW 17<sup>th</sup> Street between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NW. The voter tally that has been certified by our Board and members of the Community was 22 in favor versus 19 opposing.

Considering the closeness of the vote, we suggest that D R Horton continues to keep our Community informed of the project's progress. Your willingness to keep us involved and to hear our input, incorporating our ideas has worked much in your favor during this process, and surely will be seen as a positive by our community.

We look forward to continue being a partner with the developer in this project.

Sincerely à hole

Terry Nolen President South Middle River Civic Association

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