Judson Community Association

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Robert S. Green, J.D. HOA President

September 21, 2015

Planning Commission Town of Paradise Valley 6401 East Lincoln Drive Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

Dear Commission Members:

We have reviewed the Amendment, dated September 11, 2015, to the Special Use Permit Application for the Ritz-Carlton project submitted by Five Star Development. As we have previously stated, while we are in favor of the project proceeding, and the applicant has been very communicative, certain proposed aspects remain of grave concern to us.

The applicant purchased the property knowing residential lots were one-acre zoned and any greater density would adversely affect all Town residents. The proposed density for Area B remains unacceptable.

As detailed on Attachment A, the residential density in Area C, which is a parcel on the outside border of the Town on a busy thoroughfare, is less than Area B, a parcel in the interior of the Town surrounded by residential home sites. This is illogical. At a minimum, the density framework of both areas should be the same. This means that, at a minimum:

- 1. The mix of lot sizes in Area B should be 12,000, 13,940 and 24,326 and not 9,000, 10,386 and 20,204;
- 2. The green-zone setback along Indian Bend should continue to Mockingbird (it inexplicably narrows at lot 11 (see Note 1 on Attachment B);
- 3. A 120' setback should be added to the corner of Indian Bend and Mockingbird (Note 2 on Attachment B);
- The green-zone setback along the southern border of the church should be duplicated on the northern border of the church (Note 3 on Attachment B); and
- 5. A 120' setback should be added to the southwest corner of lot 18 (Note 4 on Attachment B).

Moreover, our Town is renowned for the peace and tranquility we enjoy, which is a direct result of one-acre zoning. In fact, all homes in Judson exceed that requirement and are roughly 1.25 acres. The Amendment provides for lots of less than one-half acre along Mockingbird and Indian Bend. We understand that density greater than one acre may be required for the project to succeed, but proper development principles require a transition from our large lots to smaller ones that must occur on the project premises. This means that lots on Mockingbird and Indian Bend should remain one-acre zoned and that higher density be located within the interior of the project. This principle was recognized and provided for in the original site plan approved by the Town and voters in 2008. However, acknowledging current day reality and in the spirit of compromise, we suggest that the area now designated as lots 11 through 24 be reconfigured to consist of lots no less than three-quarters of an acre.

On behalf of all Judson residents and those in the surrounding area, I thank you for your hard work in maintaining and improving one of the finest residential communities in the country.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Green

President

cc: Mayor Michael Collins Director Eva Cutro

Mr. Tom Evans

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