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Subject: Re: RE notification

Our. Neighborhood, Whitwood, never received notice. It has always been a question of incompetence or corruption. My vote is corruption...although there is still an argument for incompetence. Just like the Gulf/MMS- governmental agencies in bed with the industry they are supposed to regulate. With all of the new density these slimes have engineered, if the development occurs and fills up(as opposed to the current empty projects) the infrastructure demands will bankrupt the City and make it unsustainable. Senior staff must be standing at the revolving door.

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Spoke with John just a bit ago and the only notification re the Downtown Infill Incentive District was the postcard in the mail "project under consideration" for the July council meeting. That is the only notice that I received as well.

The complaints are still coming in, particularly about the map on the website.

I am notifying the Scottsdale Coalition that I made the error of saying the boundaries were expanded. I am getting emails saying "what difference does it make" when you live that close to Downtown and they create policy, that will effect your everyday life, but they don't ask that you be part of the discussion.

Those folks that live closest to Solis and the substation are laughing their arses off. They are looking at this as a great way to allow developers to run them out of their neighborhoods. And those folks don't know about neighborhood assemblage.

I was stunned when you said that you did not understand why this had an impact on South Scottsdale. This is the one issue that we addressed to Ed Gawf and Frank Gray when they introduced the 6 planning areas.

So that you know there were several meetings with those two gentlemen, Mac Cummins and John Lusardi on Saturday mornings in the Atrium at One Civic Center with 12-15 members of the community and Scottsdale Coalition members to go over development and planning terms so that as redevelopment/revitalization progressed the residents would have a better understanding of what was being discussed and how it applied to them.

Come to think of it that is probably why the planning department launched a revision of the terms used and changing the R1-7s. Those danged uppity citizens could understand too much.

The problem with the Downtown was, is and always will be, is that it sits in the middle

of another planning area. South Scottsdale. If the two do not address the fringe areas and future development there will be unnecessary battles between the businesses and the residents of the mature neighborhood and developers.

We are watching that play out with the noise abatement ordinance. Residents asked for an ordinance in 2003 and we were completely ignored.

Right now several of us are all for barricading all roads into and out of Downtown that cross through South Scottsdale so that may be you all will understand that what happens in either planning area will impact the other.

For the record I support infill incentive districts.....BUT.....the people need to understand what it means, why it is being done and what the risks are to their property and investment and they need to be allowed to participate. That has not happened.

Infill redevelopment/revitalization is different than developing in open space and different than master planned communities that have residential buffered from commercial through good site planning. Well, you the planners of the city are the master planners for already developed land and you have to (or not if you don't care to) create the buffering and protect both entities, all the time considering the quality of life we all espouse.

Good luck, cause you don't have everybody at the table.

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"We cannot live for ourselves alone. Our lives are connected by a thousand invisible threads, and along these sympathetic fibers, our actions run as causes and return to us as results."

-- Herman Melville