

RESOLUTION NO. 280-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA OPPOSING APPROVAL OF THE MINTO WEST PROJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, Minto SPW, LLC has filed applications with Palm Beach County to approve development of a project styled the “Minto West Project” (the “Project”) on land formerly known as Callery-Judge Grove in Western Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, the Project is proposed to be developed on approximately 3800 acres and to consist of approximately 4500 residential units and 2.4 million square feet of non-residential uses; and

WHEREAS, the Project is projected at build-out to add more than 70,000 average daily trips upon the region’s roadway system, which will likely require additional police response and patrol on roads within the City of West Palm Beach including Northlake and Okeechobee Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the Project sponsors propose developing a “Park and Ride” concept as a means of reducing traffic impacts; however, this concept failed to reduce traffic along the Okeechobee corridor; and

WHEREAS, development of the Project assumes approval and construction of the State Road 7 and the Roebuck Road extensions which, if constructed, would negatively affect the City’s Grassy Water Preserves which is home to endangered species and their habitat, water quality, and the quality of life in the Western Communities; and

WHEREAS, the Project purports to support development of parks and increase police and fire protection in the area; however, these activities are the responsibility of the affected governing entities whether, or not, the Project is developed; and

WHEREAS, the Project is opposed by governmental and regulatory entities in the Western Communities for many reasons including traffic impacts, negative effects on water quality and destruction of a rural life style; and

WHEREAS, the long established concept of greater density to the east and less density to the west is strongly supported by the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City Commission of the City of West Palm Beach hereby opposes approval of the Minto West Project.

SECTION 2: The City Commission of the City of West Palm Beach hereby directs that

a copy of this resolution be sent to the Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.



ATTEST:

X *Hazeline F. Carson*

CITY CLERK
Signed by: Hazeline Carson

**CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH BY
ITS CITY COMMISSION:**

X *Geraldine Muoio*

PRESIDING OFFICER
Signed by: Geraldine Muoio

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

10/10/2014

X *Kimberly L. Rothenburg*

CITY ATTORNEY
Signed by: Kimberly Rothenburg