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Subject: County Commissioners Legislative Session Testimony Concerning Swan Point Docket 250 Amendment #3

Proposed Swan Point Docket 250 A#3 Changes – 03/05/24

- My name is Nancy Fenton and I reside at 12195 Potomac View Road Newburg, MD 20664
- 2. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony today.
- I come here today as an interested party in Docket 250, since the Woodland Point and Potomac View Communities share the same water aquifer and sewer resources.
- 4. I have also provided my testimony for the record.
- 5. My concerns are about **potential harm** to our communities and not about "fear of change" as cited by various Planning Commission members. I have family members who would probably enjoy using the new facilities when visiting from out of town.
- 6. Our **UNANIMOUS** community consensus is that the development plans identified in Amendment #3 warrant studies concerning the water aquifer to determine whether there is **potential harm**.
- 7. The petition is about deep concerns for having sufficient water from our wells to survive as there is **no central water on the near horizon**.

- 8. Charles County is already planning on developing additional water sources, in anticipation of the current shortfalls that come at **a cost** of at least \$236 M and 2 x rate increases.
- 9. Amendment #3 currently adds new designations for time-shares and fractional ownership. These types of designations increase the water and sewer capacity requirements.
- 10. Our communities rely on well water from the same aquifer. Swan Point has two deep wells and an option on third deep well.
- 11. If the increased usage depletes the aquifer our communities will be faced with dry wells that can easily cost beyond \$15,000 and suffer replacement times of a year or more.
- 12. The burden on the residents is very serious. As a caregiver to my late disabled husband, I cannot imagine the hardships we would have faced with lack of water for washing, bathing, drinking. No one should fear the loss of such a necessary human requirement.
- 13. There needs to be a risk mitigation approach so that we, as residents, are able to survive and not lose our homes or suffer reduced property values.
- 14. Smart growth can minimize the current issues with the Charles County aquifer and not make them worse such that residents lose access to water. "Do No Harm".
- 15. I respectfully request that the CHCO Commissioners develop the appropriate changes to Amendment #3 that enables the evaluation of alternative solutions that does "No Harm" to the residents of ALL interested parties.

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