

WITH THE PROPOSAL OF 1500 HOMES AND A HOTEL AT SWANN POINT, IT WILL CREATE A LOT MORE VEHICLE TRAFFIC FOR RT. 257.

RT. 257 HAS A LOT MORE TRAFFIC NOW THAN WHEN I MOVED IN IN 1994. WITH THE TRAFFIC WE NOW HAVE ON RT. 257, A CAR ACCIDENT ON MAY 4, 2024 SHUT DOWN ALL TRAFFIC FOR APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES. THIS WAS ON A SATURDAY, SO TRAFFIC WAS LIGHTER THAN ON A WEEKDAY. A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, AN ACCIDENT CAUSED THE DEATHS OF MR. EDELEN AND MRS. SAUNDERS AND CLOSED ALL TRAFFIC ON 257 FOR HOURS.

THERE IS NO WAY IN OR OUT BUT RT. 257. WITH 1500 HOMES AND A HOTEL ONE CAN ONLY IMAGINE THE TRAFFIC NIGHTMARES.

ALL RESIDENTS THAT USE 257 TO GO TO WORK, SHOP AND OTHER ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE INFORMED BY A SPECIAL MAILER INFORMING THEM OF THE 1500 HOMES AND HOTEL, SO THEY CAN VOICE ANY OF THEIR CONCERNS TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, BECAUSE THIS AFFECTS EVERYONE FROM COBB ISLAND, ROCK POINT TO RT. 301

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE COMMISSIONER BOWLING HAVE 2 TOWN HALLS WITH DRAWINGS OF THE PLACEMENT OF HOMES AND HOTEL AT SWANN POINT. ONE AT COBB ISLAND VFD AND ANOTHER AT NEWBURG VFD.

IT WOULD BE NICE OF COMMISSIONER BOWLING COULD SCHEDULE THESE TOWN HALLS AFTER HE RECEIVES THE CONCERNS OF THE RESIDENTS.

SPEAKING FOR MYSELF, AFTER 1500 HOMES AND A HOTEL, WHAT I SEE WILL BE MORE OF A STRUGGLE TO GET TO RT. 301, AND I WILL BE INCLINED TO BE MAKING ALL MY PURCHASES IN VIRGINIA.

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