

MLB Diamond Project Garden Home Meeting

February 4th, 2024

Next meeting: Sunday March 3rd

Bruce & Kristin Swanson: 8120 SW 89th ave

PURPOSE:

Oppose creation of developing Redtail Golf Course for MLB Stadium, housing & hotels

Attendees:

Known Facts:

- Redtail is 164 acres, owned by City of Portland, in Washington County
- Redtail is surrounded by approximately 2/3 homes
- Other possible sites: Lloyd Center, NW Portland River Front
- Housing & hotels are included in development plans
- Stadium would hold 50K to 60K people
- Stats: Portland is ranked 4th most likely location by a sportsbook
- Property sale price of \$50 million = \$100K per quarter acre
- Expansion team purchase cost: approximately \$2.2 Billion

Goals:

- Identify local groups with same concerns
Vista brook, Montclair, Spirit of Grace Church, OES
- Determine process for City/County approval
- Identify & meet with City/County Officials involved
 - US Rep Andrea Salinas
 - Wash Co Commissioner, District 1 (Aloha & Beaverton) Nafisa Fai. *Vice Chair of the National Assoc of Counties
Transportation Policy Steering Committee
- Create roadblocks
- Create online petition
- Locate a local environmentalist for information & involvement
- Legal aspects: zoning, possible lawsuit

- What is the possible tax income from project & who benefits?

Concerns:

- Noise & Light pollution
- Parking within neighborhood
- Traffic – Lack of mass transit, 217 currently undergoing massive project
- Environmental impact
 - Loss of green space/cooling
 - Wildlife habitat loss: *eagles, coyotes, non/migratory birds, rabbits,
- One of few public golf courses in area: used by high school and club teams
- Local housing may be purchased by investors for short-term rentals
- Does Nike have a role in the project?

To-Do's

Dustin: will check with his uncle regarding new information & process

Kristin: notes

Bruce: check in with neighbor Ben, an Environmental Eng

Update: Ben's focus is rock hazards. He will check-in with his connections

Bruce: Contact Spirit of Grace leadership for involvement

Paige: Will explore project with City of Tigard

Sean: touch base with Vista Brook residents

Lara/Laura: reach out to her Environmental Impact contact