

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 12/06/2016 **Regular Item** ITEM #: 17

AGENDA ITEM: Royal Golf Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) Comments

SUBMITTED BY: Stephen Wensman, Planning Director

THROUGH: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

REVIEWED BY: N/A

BACKGROUND:

According to State Statutes, the Royal Golf Residential Development is required to prepare a mandatory EAW. A draft of the EAW was prepared by the developer and accepted by the City for advertisement with the Environmental Quality Board on October 24, 2016. The advertisement triggered a 30 day comment period. To keep the City Council informed, Staff has provided the Council with this memorandum the comments received by the public and government agencies during the 30 day comment period which ended on November 23, 2016. The City has 30 days in which to respond to the comments received and to determine whether a more involved Environmental Impact Statement is required. It is anticipated that the response to the comments will be drafted and reviewed by City Staff for the City Council at its December 20, 2016 meeting. If there are any delays in the ability to respond, the City may postpone its decision to gather critical missing information for up to 30 days or a longer period if agreed to by the developer; the decision must be documented in written record of decision.

The EAW has no impact on the comprehensive plan amendment, but does need to be approved by the City Council prior to approving the preliminary plat for the development.

RECOMMENDATION:

There is no recommendation. This item is for informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

• EAW comments - Public and agency