

Date: January 1, 2016

To: Sarasota City Commissioners Willie Shaw, Suzanne Atwell, Liz Alpert, Susan Chapman and Shelli Freeland Eddie; City Manager Thomas Barwin and Deputy City Manager Marlon Brown

From: Lido Key Residents Association's Board of Directors

Subject: Lido Beach Facility and Pool Complex Renovation

The Lido Key Residents Association met on Friday, December 5, to discuss the proposal for the redevelopment of the Lido Beach Pavilion that has been put forward by the Lido Beach Redevelopment Partners LLC, which is often referred to as the Daiquiri Deck. After the recent LKRA Meeting, that several of you attended, we felt it was important to come together as a Board with a united statement and provide it to Sarasota's City Officials.

The LKRA Board wants to reinforce to Sarasota City Officials, that we view the above mentioned proposal as far too imposing for our key. True, the Lido Beach Facilities are sorely lacking. But in this case, less is more. A mini golf course and a water park are not in keeping with the non-commercialized character of Lido and do not agree with the desires of the LKRA. Moreover, such changes would likely exacerbate the already excessive traffic and inadequate parking.

In January of 2012, we presented the city with our vision and we still stand by it. It was simple:

- Upgrade the restrooms/Bath House
- Renovate and expand the Snack Bar Concession, including an enlarged kitchen for potential catering of a new Community Room
- Add a Tiki Bar with outdoor seating
- Renovate the Gift Shop
- Add Cabanas and other shade sources to the pool area
- Add a Playground for Tots and older kids(to age 12) with shaded seating for parents
- Add a Small Performance Stage
- Add Shade Structures, more Landscaping that provides shade and picnic tables

This provides for badly needed renovations, while adding amenities to the Lido Beach facilities. It is modest, but it still is our vision.

Respectfully,

The Lido Key Residents Association Board