

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL
Public Hearing

NOVEMBER 12, 2024

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF
PLANNING COUNCIL

ADDITIONAL AGENDA MATERIAL

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 54

PC 22-5

**Correspondence from Interested Parties Received between
8:00 a.m., January 22, 2024 and 5:00 p.m., July 18, 2024**

- **Exhibit A - Email correspondence from Tammy Lettieri dated January 20, 2024, received January 22, 2024 - Opposed**
- **Exhibit B - Email correspondence from Tammy Lettieri dated January 22, 2024, received January 22, 2024 - Opposed**
- **Exhibit C - Email correspondence from Bevlyn Sagon dated January 23, 2024, received January 23, 2024 - Opposed**
- **Exhibit D - Email correspondence from Renee McPherson-Watson dated January 23, 2024, received January 23, 2024 - Opposed**
- **Exhibit E - Email correspondence from Terrence Donahue dated July 9, 2024, received July 9, 2024 - Support**
- **Exhibit F - Email correspondence from Andrea Perazza Donahue dated July 9, 2024, received July 9, 2024 - Support**
- **Exhibit G - Email correspondence from Alan Minikes dated April 18, 2024, received July 18, 2024 - Support**

EXHIBIT A

From: [Tammy Lettieri](#)
To: [Planning Council](#)
Subject: Oppose the Monarch Hill Landfill Expansion
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2024 8:55:33 PM

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From: Tammy Lettieri <tammylettieri@aol.com>
Date: January 16, 2024 at 7:34:56 PM EST
To: Sheila Rose <SRose@coconutcreek.net>, nrich@broward.org, Mark Bogen <mbogen@broward.org>, Michael Udine <mudine@broward.org>, Wallace Eccleston <weccleston@broward.org>, Ifisher@broward.org, bfurr@broward.org, sgeller@broward.org, tryan@broward.org, hazellerogers@broward.org, rmickinzie@broward.org, dchristensen@floridabulldog.org, dchristensen@floridabulldog.org
Subject: **Oppose the Monarch Hill Landfill Expansion**

Dear Commissioners:

As a 7 year resident of Coconut Creek and a 13 year former resident of Central Deerfield, I write to say I adamantly oppose the expansion of the DUMP in any way shape or form. IMHO, DUMP is the best descriptive for what we are subjected to on a regular basis.

We can barely tolerate the stench now, especially in the summer when the climate crisis fueled heat waves stifle us with wafts of the toxic brew for hours at a time night after night. And the unsightly monstrosity which grows in height exponentially with every year that the County refuses to take action to create a more efficient, earth friendly recycling program.

We need elected officials who will advocate for us by calling on companies to reduce / eliminate plastic packaging - ie on vegetables, disposable plastic utensils which should be issued upon request to minimize waste, and to resume the use of glass bottles and jars which are more readily recycled.

Where have you been on the issue of calling for less plastic waste from businesses?

Casa Maya Grill in Deerfield took the lead to replace plastic straws with biodegradable straws and to-go boxes.

Why not offer business who similarly comply a tax break?

But for Christ Sake, and the sake of humanity - do something other than selling us out yet again.

Here's another tip - in the early 70's environmental groups showed images of Native Americans standing by a river with tears in their eyes as plastic waste washed down stream.

It's long past time to take drastic advertising measures again to wake people up to save the planet and y'all can do your part right here and now.

Respectfully,

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CC, 33066

EXHIBIT B

From: [Tammy Lettieri](#)
To: [Planning Council](#); [Bogen, Mark](#); [Furr, Beam](#); [Eccleston, Wallace](#); [Ryan, Tim](#); [Udine, Michael](#); [Fisher, Lamar](#); [web.commission@deerfield-beach.com](#); [Joshua Rydell](#); [JRailey@coconutcreek.net](#); [Sandra Welch](#); [Jeffrey Wasserman](#); [John Brodie](#); [Geller, Steve](#); [Rich, Nan](#); [christine.hunschofsky@myfloridahouse.gov](#); [Tina Polsky](#); [rmickinzie@broward.org](#); [hrogers@broward.org](#); [ben@bensorensen.com](#); [Dan Christensen](#); [william.giliberti@myfloridahouse.gov](#)
Subject: Broward CC to CC &DFB - Drop Dead!
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 10:30:42 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

When the Federal Govt refused to bail NYC which was facing bankruptcy back in 1973 the Headlines in the NY Daily News read, Ford to NYC, Drop Dead.

Well, that's how it feels now as 5 commissioners (Geller, Fisher, Udine, Rogers and McKinzie) are poised to side with Waste Management instead of the community they promised to serve.

Let me point something out to you all - three of the county parks - Quiet Waters, Tradewinds and Butterfly World - are adjacent to this toxic dump but none of you seem to care

And it's no coincidence that this land you designated for our children to enjoy literally just blocks away from this environmental crisis. Since you feel so strongly about subjecting these kids to pollution why not just place a swing set and sliding pond on top of Mt Ttashmore and sell off the existing land? It wouldn't surprise me if that's what came next from this BCC devoid of any semblance of humanity.

When Parkland had its crisis impacting children the entire county stood with them

But now, these five commissioners aided by county Administrator, Monica Cepero, in what was clearly a deceptive tactic (she should be fired) are planning to basically tell us to "Drop Dead."

I would like to remind you of the cutthroat mentality that Michael Udine put on display at a CS - Parkland Dem club meeting in Oct 2020 when he first screened the room for the presence of cell phone cameras recording him as he addressed the group. I regretted not having mine on when in answer to my question asking him to oppose the bomb trains and trucks Trump unleashed on SE Broward county and he said loud and clear - they can operate safely.

Really, in what alternate universe is that so because East Palestine Ohio was decimated by a bomb train explosion

The sociopathic agenda is rampant in politics and it needs to stop

You all need to stand in the side of protecting people, a common humanity not corporate greed and deception

Shame on these five for even considering selling us out. And if this isn't grounds for firing

Monica Cepero then at the very least it should call for a reprimand

Make no mistake, CC and DFB's Drop Dead moment is here

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EXHIBIT C

From: [Bevlyn Sagon](#)
To: [Planning Council](#)
Subject: I object to the expansion of the Monarch Landfill
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 8:35:57 AM

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Hello,

I am a resident of coconut creek- property address 6101 nw 44th lane-and I would like to reiterate my displeasure with this plan to further pollute our city.

During the most recent prior discussion of this issue, I have previously stated my concerns from a health and wellness, environmental, esthetic and financial perspective.

Our county leaders need to educate themselves on the responsible science-backed approaches to waste management and implement these responsibly to preserve our health, the environment and the appearance of our city. i expect that out elected city officials will do the same.

Sincerely,

Bevlyn Sagon

EXHIBIT D

From: [Renee McPherson-Watson](#)
To: [Teetsel, Dawn](#)
Subject: Re: Monarch Hill (PC 22-5) County Commission Hearing
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 12:57:28 PM

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Good morning Ms. Teetsel,

My name is Dr. Renee McPherson-Watson and I have been a proud resident of Coconut Creek since 2002. I am reiterating my position against the expansion of the Monarch landfill. It has recently come to my attention that there is still consideration regarding expansion of the Monarch Landfill. I have grave concerns as there are adverse environmental, social and health impacts of landfills.

Environmental Impact of Landfills

- The most pressing environmental concern regarding landfills is their release of methane gas. As the organic mass in landfills decompose methane gas is released. [Methane is 84 times more effective at absorbing the sun's heat than carbon dioxide](#), making it one of the most potent greenhouse gases and a huge contributor to climate change.
- [Along with methane, landfills also produce carbon dioxide and water vapor, and trace amounts of oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, and non methane organic compounds](#). These gases can also contribute to climate change and create smog if left uncontrolled.
- The creation of landfills typically means destroying natural habitats for wildlife. The average landfill size is [600 acres](#). With over 3,000 active landfills in the United States, as much as 1,800,000 acres of habitat have been lost.
- While landfills are required to have plastic or clay lining by federal regulation, [these liners tend to have leaks](#). This can result in leachate, a liquid produced by landfill sites, contaminating nearby water sources, further damaging ecosystems.
- [Leachate can contain high levels of ammonia](#). When ammonia makes its way into ecosystems it is nitrified to produce nitrate. This nitrate can then cause eutrophication, or a lack of oxygen due to increased growth of plant life, in nearby water sources. Eutrophication creates "dead zones" where animals cannot survive due to lack of oxygen. Along with ammonia, leachate contains toxins such as mercury due to the presence of hazardous materials in landfills.

Social Impact of Landfills

- Large landfills, on average, [decrease the value of the land adjacent to it by 12.9%](#). Smaller landfills depress land values less, with around a 2.5% reduction, but still have an impact.

- Landfills bring hazards such as odor, smoke, noise, bugs, and water supply contamination

Health Impact of Landfills

- Emissions from landfills [pose a threat to the health](#) of those who live and work around landfills. A study in New York found that there is a 12% increased risk of congenital malformations in children born to families that lived within a mile of a hazardous waste landfill site.
- Results of studies have shown a strong association between Hydrogen Sulphide (used as a surrogate for all pollutants co-emitted from the landfills) and deaths caused by lung cancer, as well as deaths and hospitalizations for respiratory diseases. The results were especially prominent in children.

Due to the potential for all these dangerous, deleterious and hazardous effects on both the environment, community and human life I strongly implore the Council to consider and weigh these concerns when considering expansion of the landfill.

Kind Regards,

Dr. Renee McPherson-Watson

Live, Laugh, Love

On Tue, Jan 23, 2024, 7:59 AM Teetsel, Dawn <DTEETSEL@broward.org> wrote:

(Please note that this email is being sent to all municipal mayors, managers, planning directors and interested parties. Please feel free to share this information.)

Good morning—

Please see the attached Monday Night Memo with the following information regarding the proposed County and Unincorporated BC amendments as they will be deferred and no public comment will be taken today:

Items #45 & 46(2) After opening of the Public Hearings for Items 45 & 46, a Motion to Defer on both items for a minimum period of ninety days is anticipated. If these items are deferred as is anticipated, no public comment will be taken on these items on January 23, 2024. A full opportunity for public comment will occur on the date on which these public hearing items will occur.

Regards,

Dawn



Dawn Teetsel, Director of Planning

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From: Teetsel, Dawn

Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 12:26 PM

Subject: Monarch Hill (PC 22-5) County Commission Hearing

(Please note that this email is being sent to all municipal mayors, managers, planning directors and interested parties. Please feel free to share this information.)

Please be advised that on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, the Broward County Commission is scheduled to consider adoption of the proposed Monarch Hill amendment to the Broward County Land Use Plan (PC 22-5), as well as the local amendment to the Unincorporated Future Land Use Map at its public hearing. The meeting is at 10:00 a.m. in Room 422 of the Broward County Governmental Center located at 115 South Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale 33301.

Please visit the following link for meeting information, agenda and backup materials, as well as information on registering to speak, noting that anyone wishing to speak at the public hearing must appear in person:

https://broward.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=15

- The Monarch Hill amendments are Items 45 and 46, BCLUP amendment PC 22-5 and local amendment, respectively.

You may also submit written comments at any time via email planningcouncil@broward.org or addressed to Broward County Planning Council, 115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 307, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

If you wish to view the meeting remotely, the Broward County Commission meeting will be live streamed on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/c/BrowardCountyGov>

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 954.357.6695. Planning Council staff is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



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EXHIBIT E

From: [Terry D](#)
To: [Blake Boy, Barbara](#)
Cc: bherrera@wm.com
Subject: Monarch Hill landfill
Date: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 9:47:44 AM

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To Mayor Rich and Broward County Commissioners,

I live in Wynmoor, Coconut Creek, Florida and I absolutely support the expansion of the Monarch Hill landfill by height or land use plan amendment. This is very important for our community.

Kind regards,

Terrence Donohue

EXHIBIT F

From: [Andrea P](#)
To: [Blake Boy, Barbara](#)
Cc: bherrera@wm.com
Subject: Monarch Hill Landfill
Date: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 9:45:07 AM

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Mayor Rich and Broward County Commissioners

I live in Wynmoor, Coconut Creek, Florida. I support the expansion of the Monarch Hill landfill by height or land use plan amendment.

Sincerely,

Andrea Perazza Donohue
1805 Eleuthera Point, Coconut Creek, FL 33066

EXHIBIT G

From: [Bill Laystrom](#)
To: [Blake Boy, Barbara](#)
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Waste Management Monarch Hills Landfill
Date: Thursday, July 18, 2024 3:30:19 PM

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Barbara,

We also received a copy of this email of support from Alan Minikes for the Monarch Hill Land Use Plan amendment. I am not sure if Mayor Rich forwarded the email to the County Administrator or your attention.

Bill

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From: Alan Minikes <alanm325@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2024 7:38 AM
To: Herrera, Barbara <bherrera@wm.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Waste Management Monarch Hills Landfill

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Alan Minikes <alanm325@yahoo.com>
Date: April 17, 2024 at 3:29:36 PM EDT
To: n.rich@broward.org
Subject: Waste Management Monarch Hills Landfill

Mayor Rich: I have been a resident at Wynmooor for over 5 plus year. My family has owned the condo since 1990 so I am very familiar with the Monarch land fill site. The past has created problems with our community but these problems have been resolved years ago. In my evaluation of the expansion of the landfill before you, I feel that this is the only alternative that makes sense moving forward. Based on the other alternatives before this board, the expansion of the Monarch Hills site by height or land use should be supported by you. I recommend that your vote should reflect a thumbs up to the expansion. This would be the best thing for Wynmoor and our community as a whole. Thank you. Sincerely, Alan Minikes, 4602 Martinique Way, C1, Coconut Creek FL 33066

972-672-4195.
Sent from my iPhone

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