

River Run

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Hi Jeff,

Thank you for your January 3, 2022 email to River Run. The board will forward the information provided to all owners.

With respect to your note regarding land acquisition, we do know Jessica. Her team has used the City's power to take our homes to pressure us to sell since 2019. We are now into the fifth calendar year of the City threatening to destroy our homes while pressuring us to sell.

The City invited River Run families to meet in person, on August 14, 2019, based on the pretense of a Green Line update. We attended. There was no Green Line update. Instead, the City introduced a land agent without explanation. The City's conduct had one owner in tears and left all owners completely uncertain regarding the City's intention for our homes.

Continuing to this day, the City could not be less clear regarding its intent. The City continues to represent to us that it does not intend to take our property but will destroy our homes.

For years this uncertainty has prevented us from knowing: how to properly maintain our homes inside and out; whether to renovate; whether to repair or replace appliances; how to manage our reserve fund; and, whether we should manage our financial statements as a going concern. This uncertainty is causing harm.

In 2020, after the City asked us to enter into acquisition discussions, owners of 22 of 23 units engaged one counsel and one appraiser in order to have informed, efficient discussions. Owners also established an owners' committee of three owners to represent the group to have efficient communications among the City and all owners. The owners' committee anticipated obtaining independent valuations for a few units to inform owners regarding value to begin discussions.

However, no acquisition discussions have occurred because the City:

- (i) refuses to agree to reimburse our reasonable cost for independent advice; and
- (ii) refuses to negotiate value based on the reality that our homes are not for sale.

The City has informed us that it will only discuss value based on different, alternative facts where our homes are listed for sale and the City is an average purchaser, which is not reality. If at some point the City wants fair discussions based on reality, we continue to be available.

- River Run Board of Directors

