

Meeting Follow-up: Bylien/Shadow Pines

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I attended a meeting this morning with Mark Gesaule, Jim Polyzois, and Chris W. (golf course architect) representing Shadow Pines, and Mike Bylien and Steve Forrest (golf course architect) representing Pine Trace.

The meeting was to explore potential solutions to the golf course/development interface.

The meeting began with Bylien discussing how errant golf balls hitting the residential units would be his problem to deal with. He doesn't want the liability or the headache of dealing with the issue (my paraphrasing, not his exact words).

Bylien again discussed altering the development layout. It was finally agreed, with concurrence from Forrest, that there is no real alternative to the proposed layout.

The discussion then turned to what could be done. CW has proposed changes to the hole to mitigate the potential for errant golf balls to hit the proposed units. Forrest and Bylien do not believe that the proposed measures will eliminate the potential, and discussed a 90-foot tall protective net to achieve 100% safety. In their view, everything else is a band-aid that may mitigate 60, 70, or 80% of the problem but will not eliminate it.

That said, there was discussion about what specific changes could be made to the hole to mitigate.

No agreement was reached at the meeting. Each side will discuss with their respective teams and have agreed to continue the discussion via email. No deadline was set for each side to respond, so it is unclear if any movement will occur prior to the June 17 PC meeting.

Best, Jim

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