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1	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Thank
2	you. Good morning, everyone. I'm Maureen McNeil this
3	zoning hearing examiner today. And today is November
4	15, 2023. And we are here today on a hearing that was
5	required because of a technicality that I'll address
6	further in one second. So we had to continue it
7	because we did not advertise this matter in the
8	newspapers of record. And the matter is ZMA 2022-003,
9	application named Smith Lake Estates, and it's a
10	Rezoning map amendment to rezone the property from
11	the RR Zone to the RPD Zone. But before I ask council
12	to identify themselves and to make sure who all is
13	attending here today, I would like to do something
14	that fortunately I haven't had to do and nearly 25
15	years as a hearing examiner and ask you all for a
16	moment of silence on behalf of a member of the zoning
17	bar that we all knew and loved, Dan Lynch, and then
18	we can start this proceeding.
19	Okay. Thank you all. If Council would
20	identify themselves for the record?
21	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: I am going to let Stan
22	go first so I can compose myself.

1	STAN BROWN: That would be fine. I need to			
2	compose myself as well. You know, God bless Dan. I			
3	mean God bless him and his family. Stan Brown,			
4	People's Only council. Good morning.			
5	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: Good morning, Madam			
6	examiner, People Zoning Council, Matthew Tedeskco			
7	(phonetic) of the law firm of Macamey Hosey			
8	(phonetic) here on behalf of the applicant DR Horton			
9	Inc. And thank you for that moment of silence.			
10	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Yeah. As			
11	I look at everyone that seems to be in attendance, I			
12	don't see anyone that is not affiliated with the			
13	applicant, but I will ask for the record, is there			
14	anyone signed on here today that did not appear? That			
15	is not here on behalf of the applicant and did not			
16	appear at the last hearing in August? Yeah. I'm			
17	hearing silence. And Mr. Tedescko, am I correct that			
18	everyone here is with you?			
19	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: Yes, madam examiner. And			
20	just just real quick by way of roll call, Matthew			
21	Lake (phonetic) and Christine Gillette (phonetic),			
22	Charlie Howell (phonetic), Matt Muttamen (phonetic)			

1	and Alex Jagagis (phonetic) and Michael Lenhardt
2	(phonetic) are all either with the applicant or with
3	Roger's Consulting who are the consultants of record
4	who were present and most of whom testified at the
5	August 9th, 2023 hearing on this matter.
6	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Did you
7	include Mr. Swam?
8	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: Oh, I'm sorry. And yeah,
9	Mr. Sw Rob Swam is with Roger's Consulting.
10	Although he was not present at the August 9th
11	hearing, he is in their Environmental Group. Mr.
12	Steve Allison testified at the August 9th hearing and
13	Mr. Swam is here just should there be any additional
14	questions by you or People's Only council with
15	respect to Mr. Allison's testimony, but he would be
16	the only additional person that was not here or not
17	with us on the 9th but is here today as a backup role
18	for Mr. Allison. Sorry. Thank you for that.
19	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Okay.
20	Then two procedural things and then I'm going to make
21	a statement and if council disagrees, let me know,
22	but the procedural things are that we marked we

1	marked a statement of justification as exhibit 33 in
2	the August hearing and it was your revised SOJ. And I
3	said that hearing that we were going to make it 2B
4	right after 2A, which was your prior SOJ, but because
5	of technicalities with making binders of all these
6	exhibits, it would be too confusing. So we're going
7	to leave it as exhibit 33, but we're going to mark it
8	as your revised SOJ, statement of justification.
9	That's number one. Number two is what I referred to
10	earlier. The the zoning ordinance was recently
11	revised as you all know, and we just added these PD
12	zones and even though so many eyes have looked at
13	that zoning ordinance over the past two years, we
14	miss the fact well, we ask that we remove a
15	requirement in there that PD zones be advertised in
16	newspapers of record and we thought it was removed.
17	But after your hearing, both the planning board and
18	the office of the ZHE realized that it wasn't removed
19	and neither of us had had the hearing the
20	neither of us had advertised in the newspaper of
21	record, which required us to have an additional
22	hearing. This is our hearing today. It's my

1	understanding the planning board had a hearing last
2	Thursday. It's my understanding that no no new
3	person showed up at the planning board hearing. I'm
4	leaving this record open to get a copy of their
5	resolution which should come shortly because they
6	just heard it on Thursday and they're in the middle
7	of moving their offices so there's a little lag time.
8	And having said all of that and there's no person
9	here that came as a result of advertising in the
10	newspaper of record, I'm ready to just close this
11	hearing leaving the record open for the planning
12	boards resolution in issuing a decision shortly
13	thereafter, unless either Mr. Tedescko or Mr. Brown
14	believes I should do something else.
15	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: No objection by me,
16	Madam examiner. Just to just clarify the record
17	and I think you did an excellent job. I just want to
18	State a couple of dates just in a certain transcript
19	may make it easier for me in the future to go back
20	and look updates. But you are correct. We did have
21	the original planning board hearing back on May 18th

of this year, 2023, as well as your hearing back on

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August 9th, 2023. Subsequently to both of those we
were notified that the newspaper advertisement had
not been done in either of those hearings and we
subsequently had another planning board hearing as
you mentioned, last Thursday, which would have been
November 9th. The resolution for that corrected
resolution was also adopted by the planning board on
November I mean did I say August? November 9th
and was adopted on November 9th, the same day. That
should be transmitted to you this week
notwithstanding their current situation with their
move, but I do expect that you will receive that
soon.
All proper notifications in this matter,

whether it was subsequent to those hearings or not were remade. In other words the newspaper advertisements for both the planning board hearing and this hearing published timely the properties. The property was posted for both hearings timely for the statutory period as well as written notifications of the -- of this hearing as well as the planning board hearing were remailed to all parties that are

required to receive those. So the	re's been an
abundance of notification in this	case
notwithstanding the inadvertent la	ack of newspaper
notification for the prior to hea	rings. We have
since, in my opinion, shared that	with both the
planning board hearing last Thurse	day and this hearing
here today. And with that being s	aid Madam examiner,
we would for whatever it may be no	eeded, incorporate
and adopt all oral and written te	stimony that was
provided to you at the August 9th	hearing as well as
we had one additional item that we	e submitted to park
and planning which I think has be	en marked as exhibit
34. I've got multiple screens up,	but I think it was
exhibit 34 which is the public be	nefits memorandum
and that's more of a belt suspende	ers additional
testimony from what you've alread	y heard. So with
that Madam examiner, Mr. Brown, w	e are happy to
submit on the record as presented	in all the hearings
that have occurred in this case as	nd respectfully
request your ultimate of recommend	dation of approval
for this rezoning, but we do have	the team here if
there are any further questions.	Thank you.

1	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Mr.
2	Brown?
3	STAN BROWN: I have no objection to
4	anything that either of you said.
5	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Okay. And
6	thank you for that. Mr. Tedescko. I would also add
7	that there was no my understanding is there was no
8	additional staff report. Had there been an additional
9	staff report, we might have to continue the matter,
10	but there was not. Go ahead. I'm sorry.
11	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: Yeah. I'm sorry, Madam
12	examiner. Yeah. Just to confirm that there was no
13	additional staff report, there was just the adopted
14	corrected or amended resolution. I think it's
15	amended. It's the same resolution with an A that was
16	adopted on Thursday the 9th. And then I do also want
17	to confirm your understanding from the planning board
18	hearing last Thursday that there were no additional
19	or really there weren't any citizens or parties of
20	record outside of the applicant and the applicant's
21	team that participated in that hearing on Thursday as
22	well. So

1	HEARING EXAMINER MAUREEN MCNEIL: Okay.
2	Thank you all for being here and I wish you all a
3	Happy Thanksgiving. The record will close you know
4	right after I get the resolution from the planning
5	board. I thank everyone.
6	MATTHEW TEDESCKO: Thank you.
7	(The recording was concluded.)
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