



# TOWN OF *Kiawah Island*®

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RE: ZREZ-01-21-00122 | Sea Island Golf Planned Development  
4455 Betsy Kerrison Parkway (TMS 204-00-00-025)

Dear Charleston County Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed rezoning. On Tuesday, March 2, 2021, Town Council held our regular scheduled monthly meeting, and the subject matter was on the agenda for discussion. We felt it important for all members of Council to have as complete an understanding as possible in order to render a fair and appropriate decision.

The Town of Kiawah Island Municipal Center, which houses the Town's governmental offices, sits adjacent south of the subject property. The Municipal Center provides a central location for distributing essential services and civic uses for Kiawah Island residents, property owners, business owners, and Kiawah entities. Adjacent and to the east of the subject property is a Berkeley Electric Cooperative utility substation. Both properties are located within the Town limits of Kiawah. While it has been typically rare for the Town to take positions on matters of individual properties outside the Town limits within unincorporated Charleston County, this proposal represents a unique direct impact on the Town, the surrounding community, and the future development of Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

There have been no changes to the rezoning request after significant delay since the Planning Commission rendered a unanimous recommendation of disapproval on March 8, 2021. The Town's position remains the same where through unanimous consent of Council, the Town of Kiawah Island **opposes** the rezoning of the adjacent property located at 4455 Betsy Kerrison Parkway for the following reasons:

- 1) The Town surveyed its residents regarding this rezoning request, where 896 property owners and residents responded to the survey. The survey results revealed that approximately 90% (803) did not support the proposed use as miniature golf, and approximately 10% (93) supported the proposed use as a miniature golf course, provided that certain design standards were imposed. The overwhelming position of many of those that completed the survey clearly would support and encourage Town Council to oppose the rezoning due to its insensitivity nature of the existing community and several other issues that present significant concerns for Kiawah and the surrounding area.
- 2) Town Council believes that a change like this could set an unfortunate precedent and compromise and damage the area's residential character and Betsy Kerrison Parkway. The Kiawah community has a shared vision for the lower portion of Betsy Kerrison Parkway. We understand the significance of both Bohicket Road and Betsy Kerrison Parkway, as these roads frame an incomparable scenic experience to the entrance of both Kiawah and Seabrook Islands. More importantly, they define the unique essence of Johns Island's rural residential and agricultural character. The Town is very aware of the sensitivity needed in preserving that character.

- 3) The Town reviewed the current development on Betsy Kerrison Parkway. Betsy Kerrison Parkway today has very few commercial developments that front the Parkway except the intersection at River Road and Betsy Kerrison Parkway. That area is a commercial node. Of the 269 properties that are adjacent to Betsy Kerrison Parkway, nearly 84% (225 properties) are residential properties. This increases to nearly 90% (242 properties) being noncommercial with agricultural use properties included. The remaining properties are religious or commercial uses with few public utilities. There are six church properties within the three mile stretch of Betsy Kerrison Parkway which parallel the residential character of the area. Only twelve properties account for the limited commercial uses along the Parkway.
- 4) Betsy Kerrison Parkway is a critical corridor for several entities. Collectively, these entities are working to preserve this unique corridor as one of the only remaining undeveloped to modestly developed Johns Island corridors that still maintains Johns Island's unique character. We even further encourage the County to comprehensively explore this corridor in preservation opportunities from significant commercial development that front the Parkway potentially through an overlay zoning district to include conservation easements and significant buffers.
- 5) Council also believes that the proposed use is inconsistent with the existing land development patterns of the area. The subject property borders two jurisdictions and is not consistent with the future land use designations of Charleston County and the Town of Kiawah Island. The Charleston County Comprehensive Plan has designated this particular property as Urban/Suburban Mixed Use, where this designation calls for "*compatible mixed-use development and a general land use pattern that includes a variety of housing types, retail, services, employment, civic and compatible industrial uses, as well as public and open spaces and linkages to public transit in a walkable environment.*" (*Charleston County Comprehensive Plan – Chapter 3.1 Land Use Element*) The miniature golf use does not fit with the area's existing land use patterns and residential character. While the subject property is not within the Town limits, compatibility to the existing neighborhood character and uses is significantly important to the community.
- 6) A primary concern of Town Council was for the safety of all traffic. The underlying traffic patterns for this section of Betsy Kerrison Parkway are not ideal for vehicular or pedestrian traffic. In the last year, there have been several fatalities – two involving vehicles, and the other involved a vehicle and a bicyclist. Betsy Kerrison is a divided four-lane highway where pedestrian or bicycle facilities are not incorporated into the entire segment. A sidewalk does sit adjacent to the southbound lanes (towards Kiawah) but ends approximately 700 feet from the round-about. The subject property sits on the opposite side or northbound side of Betsy Kerrison Parkway, where no sidewalks exist. Several people walk and bike to and from Freshfields Village along Betsy Kerrison Parkway, crossing at various points of the highway. The posted speed limit increases from 35 mph to 50 mph heading north approximately at the property line between the subject property and the Town Municipal Center. The speed of vehicles exiting the round-about at higher speeds than the posted 35 mph create an unsafe situation approaching the subject property, particularly for patrons who may consider walking or biking Betsy Kerrison Parkway. In addition to bike and pedestrian safety concerns, there are several median openings of the divided highway. It is common to observe vehicles making U-Turns, both legal and illegal, on the Parkway between the round-about and River Road, creating additional risks for accidents in the area.

The Town of Kiawah Island is one of many directly impacted by this proposed rezoning. It is also important for the Planning Commission to understand that the Town Council is speaking not only on behalf of the respondents from the survey but also the Kiawah Island Community Association. The Johns Island Task Force, which the Town supports through a representative on the task force, is also opposed to the proposed rezoning. We ask that you support planning staff's recommendation to disapprove and the Planning Commission's unanimous recommendation to disapprove the proposed rezoning request. Thank you for your continued service and understanding of our community's position in opposing this particular rezoning request.

Best regards,

John Labriola, Mayor  
Town of Kiawah Island

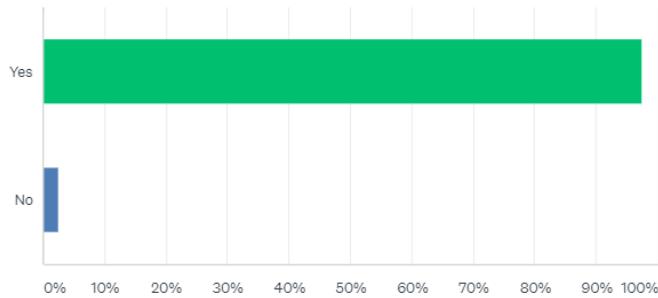
*Survey Results Attached*

## Kiawah Survey Responses

### Question 1

Are you familiar with the rezoning proposal for the adjacent property?

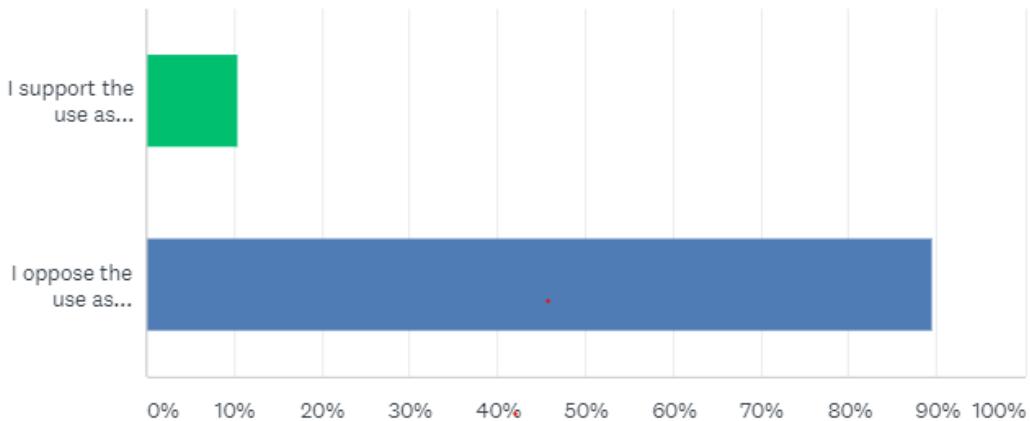
Answered: 896 Skipped: 0



### Question 2

Do you support or oppose the proposed mini-golf use?

Answered: 896 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I support the use as mini-golf.	10.38% 93
I oppose the use as mini-golf.	89.62% 803
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>896</b>

### Question 3

## What issues surrounding this development of the adjacent property most concern you?

Answered: 896   Skipped: 0

The fact that the mini golf will detract from the local island standards and move us a step closer to becoming a tourist trap like Myrtle beach.

2/25/2021 11:00 PM

It doesn't seem to be "in the style of" the Kiawah theme. Would attract more people TO the area - making that area more crowded - and congested. Seems more like a "hilton head" or Myrtle Beach accessory. What is the "target market" for the housing? I haven't seen any information as to how this would benefit the Town of Kiawah and its residents.

2/25/2021 9:43 PM

Traffic issues, increasing may be a gateway for other development. We do not want another Hilton Head

2/25/2021 9:24 PM

This will increase traffic on an already over-stressed roadway. Also, the respect for nature and activities which center around our beautiful coast and marsh have been the hallmark of the area. This project does not support that effort.

2/25/2021 6:43 PM

This development will substantially increase traffic in the area of ingress and egress from both Seabrook and Kiawah —will also be first step toward a Myrtle Beach type atmosphere which do not want or we would have bought property there.

2/25/2021 5:11 PM

Traffic congestion, not interested in a new Myrtle Beach look

2/25/2021 5:02 PM

Too much traffic, bad aesthetics and possible decrease of property values.

2/25/2021 4:08 PM

Traffic/safety, noise, lighting, property use and appearance inconsistent with current surrounding properties, potential for BYO alcohol on premises, subsequent sale of property to a new owner with a "different understanding" of PUD, later deviations from current proposal (e.g. "we can't survive as approved - we need a fast-food drive-through"), subsequent rezoning requests for other nearby properties based on this precedent. That's about it.

2/25/2021 3:33 PM

Traffic, lighting, loss of agricultural land

2/25/2021 3:19 PM

This is inappropriate property usage for that location and will not create the entrance atmosphere consistent with a 5-Star resort island.

2/25/2021 2:52 PM

significant increase in off-island visitors to the area, increasing traffic. also, the proposed mini-golf center seems kind of tacky and down-market for Kiawah and Seabrook

2/25/2021 2:19 PM

More congestion ..it's difficult enough to try to get off the island with dump trucks, cement trucks and people driving 15MPH in a 35 zone. Take a look at other upscale communities, I do not think miniature golf fits this environment...this is not Myrtle Beach, lets keep it that way. I am totally against the option of bringing your own alcohol as this is pushed as "for teens and children"

2/25/2021 2:19 PM

It is almost hard to believe that any homeowner on Kiawah Island would want to turn the entrance to our beautiful property into a Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head Causeway. If we allow for one property to be rezoned as fully commercial, it will happen again. Anyone with history on property values of quality, private communities understand the reduction in values that come with commercialization. I could not be any more opposed to this type of agreement. If the developers want to look at land that is off road and not

visible as you approach the island, either with better setbacks, or using undeveloped land on side roads, I would then only be concerned about traffic and density. Thank you for the opportunity to express our opinions.

2/25/2021 2:12 PM

My concern is the amount traffic it will bring to the area. What changes will be made to the traffic pattern and might a traffic light be installed.

2/25/2021 1:29 PM

Commercial development

2/25/2021 1:16 PM

Road Safety and operation of the facility during non-normal business hours.

2/25/2021 1:15 PM

One of the main reasons we chose to buy property on Kiawah Island is because it is not as developed as other places, i.e. Hilton Head. If this zoning goes through it could set a precedent for other developments similar in nature.

2/25/2021 12:58 PM

Traffic and environmental impact as well as unsightliness

2/25/2021 12:56 PM

Nome

2/25/2021 12:42 PM

The increased traffic and aesthetic. . .our beloved islands will start to look like Myrtle Beach!

2/25/2021 12:37 PM

Additional traffic on and off the island to access the facilities.

2/25/2021 12:27 PM

people, parking, public - the 3 deadly "P's" which wreck the privacy, peace, and pleasure of Kiawah.

2/25/2021 12:19 PM

Changing the aesthetics of a pristine community to a Coastal bored walk style community with games and mini golf courses etc.

2/25/2021 12:18 PM

None - as long as it will be required to be tastefully landscaped and designed. I would rather see this property developed as a low use facility that would provide some different recreation close to the area than a high density housing project

2/25/2021 12:17 PM

We did not retire to Kiawah for it to turn into Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head. The area of Kiawah and the surrounding islands are here for nature and the serenity of the beauty. If there is a perceived need for a putt putt build it on Savannah Highway where there is more people and traffic to support it. There is already plenty to do for children and visitors on the islands and surrounding area. We don't need the noise, lights and traffic to be directed on Johns Island I do not support the development as proposed.

2/25/2021 12:16 PM

Traffic

2/25/2021 12:14 PM

The need for additional area amenities for families and teenagers.

2/25/2021 12:13 PM

-traffic in this area, potential for serious accidents with young drivers -pollution and littering -negative environmental impact -negative impact on the image for Kiawah as a new home owner here coming from Pennsylvania I hope this does not become the Jersey shore or like Myrtle Beach

2/24/2021 9:38 PM

Adequate ingress & egress

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Increased vehicular traffic on an already overburdened route.

2/23/2021 6:13 PM

A rezoning of this property for a miniature golf course will cheapen the nature of the beautiful Kiawah/Seabrook communities and potentially begin a sea change in the quality of our area.

2/23/2021 2:06 PM

Please decline this proposal. 1. Traffic. The traffic on Betsy Kerrison has become dangerous and overloaded. Please solve this before any commercial development is allowed. 2. Deforestation. So much of Johns Island has been clear-cut with no grand plan resulting in flooding and many other problems. A

comprehensive tree replacement and water/land protection guideline should be in place before development. Thank you for your attention.

2/23/2021 8:40 AM

development should be consistent with surroundings. proper setback appropriate signage and landscaping, etc. no different than what would be required on any other commercial entity.

2/22/2021 10:04 PM

None. I wholeheartedly the use of adjacent property for a mini-golf park.

2/22/2021 8:23 PM

Traffic Critical Parkway intersection Loss of natural habitat. Commercial use of planned housing sets precedent for future development

2/22/2021 6:45 PM

1) Concerned mini-golf would attract vacationers and future residents who require commercialized entertainment and are not satisfied with enjoying Kiawah's natural environments, wildlife, and habitats — thus initiating a process of transmuting Kiawah from a unique environmental/resort oasis into a sad copy of so many other tourist traps. 2) Traffic and traffic safety concerns on Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

2/22/2021 6:10 PM

Kiawah island should stay unique in that it is not a community of tourist to be entertained in the Myrtle Beach style. Kiawah Island community needs to remain as natural as possible enjoying the beauty of only beach, River, and golfing!!!

2/22/2021 5:27 PM

Traffic, keeping with the "Kiawah" brand, environmental concerns, safety. Why do we need to build something because kids are bored? Seems there could be other more pleasing, quieter, environmentally friendly uses for the property.

2/22/2021 4:57 PM

The location. Dangerous traffic area.

2/22/2021 4:52 PM

-Traffic safety; Betsy K hwy has enough concerns as of late with serious traffic accidents including fatalities. -Todd mentioned he could put mobile homes on the property- is this true? - Concern it doesn't align with the areas conservation efforts- yes, I'm aware it is John's Island. - Precedent it will set for future development along the same lines.

2/22/2021 3:22 PM

traffic concerns and suitability of development for the site.

2/22/2021 2:35 PM

Several issues are apparent with this rezoning request. The first is the sizable increase in traffic that will be brought into the Kiawah / Seabrook area. The roads leading into the islands are too crowded and not sizable for the current level of traffic - especially once the medical center & senior citizen center is built by Freshfields. Cars will make illegal U-turns on road out front of this facility or will have to go through the circle out front of Freshfields. This will result in more accidents in this area. Second issue involves the impact on the fragile eco system of the area including the light pollution of the lights that will be on till late at night. The town has always tried to do the right thing to keep the eco system of the islands and area safe from over development. Large parking lot and people coming in from further away will leave garbage all over polluting the water system for the area. If there is a true desire to have some more activities for younger age group, then the town and resort should do more themselves including at Night Heron Park. Maybe a dedicated building where young kids and teens can meet inside or outside. For Kiawah residents and visitors, why not build a simple (not too fancy I appreciate) miniature golf course (18 holes) at Night Heron Park. Last issue is if the town allows for the rezoning of this parcel of land, what will stop the rezoning of the lot next to it and the lot next to that one. Then - all of sudden we will have miniature golf, batting cages, go carts, fast food places, etc up and down Betty Kerrison Parkway ruining the environment of the surrounding area as well as ruin the mystic of the Kiawah & Seabrook area. If people want that type of development, I ask that they go to Myrtle Beach, Hilton Head or other like vacation places.

2/22/2021 12:45 PM

1. Traffic safety. 2. It commercializes the area and does not fit with the Naturally Kiawah atmosphere that has been so thoughtfully preserved in the past. The lack of commercialism is one thing that makes Kiawah unique to other beach areas in SC and has helped keep the property values up.

2/22/2021 12:27 PM

additional traffic on an already busy road; not convinced the development in any way enhances the tourist experience of Kiawah island: as has previously been commented, isn't this type of development better suited to a Folley Beach type area.

2/22/2021 12:27 PM

Traffic, safety, Alcohol use is allowed.....terrible idea. The entire proposal seems disingenuous. The owner "threatened" to put a trailer park on the land if we didn't allow the putt-putt. Honestly, I would rather have a trailer park than putt-putt. This idea is not in keeping with the natural serenity of our beautiful island and will most definitely lead to more seedy/undesirable real estate ventures being allowed. Think "tattoo parlor, pawn shop, liquor store, water park, Souvineer shops, strip clubs" ..... You get the idea....

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changing the feel of the area

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Traffic issues ....

2/22/2021 12:21 PM

I completed this survey prior to the 2/21/21 meeting with Mr Gerhart at the site. Two additional issues surfaced at that meeting which I feel deserve close scrutiny: 1) The plan to allow patrons of the proposed facility to bring their own alcoholic beverages to be consumed on site. 2) The option for a trailer park facility should the rezoning request fail. It seems clear to me that despite Mr Gerhart's attempts at virtue signalling with promises of charitable contributions, that he does not care about the interests of the community now that the details of this plan have started to emerge.

2/22/2021 12:06 PM

Increased traffic, aesthetically not in keeping with Kiawah demographics or value proposition, impact on existing property values, impact on future commercial developments (likelihood of other equally non-desirable developments getting approved as a result of this getting approved), etc.

2/22/2021 12:02 PM

I believe that land should not be developed at all. The entrance to Seabrook and Kiawah island should be protected from a commercial usage such as this. Restore the school house and keep the surrounding land as open land. Many communities through tout the US protect their areas by purchasing land and keeping it In its natural state. I believe the Kiawah Conservancy should be working on this issue.

2/22/2021 12:02 PM

traffic, drinking, fragile eco balance, night time lighting, teens on their own (drinking), opening the door for the potential of more like changes.

2/22/2021 12:00 PM

Traffic congestion, increased turns on and off Betsy Kerrison, ability to have alcohol on site, change of character of the nature of the islands, continuation of the overdevelopment of Johns Island

2/22/2021 11:56 AM

Increasing traffic and danger in an already dangerous traffic area; totally at odds with bucolic nature of Kiawah and surrounding Johns island.

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Opportunity for too much traffic at this congested location on divided Highway with a unpaved narrow side street (Resurrection Rd) on side of property and busy Betsy Kerrison Parkway, a small commercial building with two restaurants with a small parking lot across BetsyKerrison that has a side street that is the access to Holy Comfort Episcopal Church. Then Rosebank Farms is in the immediately area. The entire area there currently is a unsafe traffic nightmare with vehicles leaving Kiawah and Seabrook traffic circle on Betsy Kerrison that are already speeding up to the 50 mph speed limit which is ignored by most vehicles.. the entire road thru that area needs to be re-evaluated for safety issues.

2/22/2021 11:51 AM

Venues like this seem to deteriorate in appearance fairly rapidly over time. I also think this would bring undesirable traffic congestion.

2/22/2021 11:50 AM

Traffic and high density housing. Kiawah is special, not another Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head.

2/22/2021 11:46 AM

Traffic safety on Betsy Kerrison turn lanes and the traffic circle. Inconsistent with Bohicket Road's scenic byway status with respect to scenic impediments. Precedent for future commercial use and activities. Insufficient visual buffer for intended use. Mini golf footprint and parking lot would fill two acre site.

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Parking, traffic, on-site drinking, congestion

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Traffic Development Use

2/22/2021 11:25 AM

Proximity to the traffic circle with potential for accidents; overcommercialization; deceptive information by developed regarding donation to the community—not to mention the “threat” of a trailer park.

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Traffic safety on Betsy Kerrison. Entrance to this property is not visible as traffic coming out of circle starts to increase its speed. Some increase very rapidly. Plenty of accidents already on this stretch of road.

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Traffic. Possibility of more accidents

2/22/2021 11:13 AM

1. lack of a formal traffic study 2. concerned about increased traffic on Betsy Kerrison and likely increase in # of accidents 3. impact on the rural character of Kiawah and Seabrook

2/22/2021 11:11 AM

The recent deadly crash on Betsy Kerrison is emblematic of the traffic issues that continue to plague Johns Island, yet the County keeps entertaining and approving development. This proposal will put more cars on the roads as folks drive to access it; proposed parking for 75 vehicles gives us an idea of what they are expecting. There should be a moratorium on developments of this nature until the road issues are resolved. Frankly, I been it irresponsible and against the public interest to lure families to this entertainment complex with our roads being in such a sorry, and dangerous state.

2/22/2021 11:10 AM

Traffic patterns leading to increased accidents. This area has seen an uptick in accidents. Environmental impact - more concrete leads to more water issues

2/22/2021 11:09 AM

First, anything that aims to increase traffic along this corridor is a threat to the safety of all of us. Second, the biggest problem on John's Island right now is the lack of affordable housing; something extremely necessary if we are to have businesses and employees on the local sea islands that we want to be able to easily and safely commute to work. Why would we ever want to change zoning from affordable housing? We should be doing everything we can to encourage development of affordable housing and increase its availability

2/22/2021 11:05 AM

Traffic- the traffic and speed in that area are already deadly and nothing has been done to lower the speed limit from circle to the River Road light. Quality of life, alcohol consumption in what is supposed to be a family activity...more ground coverage with the parking lot in an area that already has excessive flooding, and just general tackiness in an area that has been known and revered for it's commitment to nature and the enviroment.

2/22/2021 11:01 AM

Safety and traffic concerns Alcohol consumption on site Potential for more commercial zoning with increasing environmental concerns

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Traffic, devaluation of property, allowing alcohol on the premises, overall safety

2/22/2021 11:00 AM

Traffic and safety concerns. I am undecided if I support the mini golf because concerned with entrance issues and traffic concerns pulling in and out.

2/22/2021 10:59 AM

Traffic is already congested in this area, putt putt golf is not in keeping with the Kiawah Island Brand

2/22/2021 10:58 AM

Traffic

2/22/2021 10:52 AM

Strongly concerned about two things: 1) the ill advised location and dangerous traffic level and issues that will bring 2) the project is completely inconsistent with what made us choose Cassique/Kiawah as our home (preserved nature, quiet beaches, no commercialism)

2/22/2021 10:50 AM

Higher risk of traffic accidents - exiting and entering this site; increased traffic; negative environmental impact

2/22/2021 10:24 AM

Safety due to increased vehicle volume on BK Parkway, including lack of left hand turning lane for traffic heading towards Freshfields. I recommend a traffic study be conducted, including the entrance/exit location of this business. With a proposed 75 vehicle parking lot, the ability to bring alcohol to the property, and the increased frequency of traffic related accidents and injuries, I believe this requires additional study.

2/22/2021 10:15 AM

- Traffic pattern entering and exiting Betsy Kerrison Pkwy as well as the need to possibly use the Roundabout at KI and SI if entering from the West. This stretch of road is already overtaxed with traffic and speed. - Use of BYO alcohol for what is proposed to be a "family friendly" activity. - Impact on serene nature and entrance to KI and SI.

2/22/2021 10:15 AM

If the change to commercial from residential will set a precedent for other similar changes along Betsy Kerrison, then I oppose the change. If there is no danger of a precedent being set, I think a putt-putt golf course would be better than a development with 20 plus houses (how many acres is this land parcel?)

2/22/2021 10:12 AM

I support the use if the plans maintain an upscale, discreet use of the property that maintains the character and feel of kiawah and seabrook

2/22/2021 7:58 AM

While I support the mini-golf use, I would want to see what the plans are for mitigating potential for increased traffic on Betsy Kerrison (already strained), light pollution (how late would the mini-golf be allowed to operate at night?), and concerns about runoff from so much pavement near sensitive environmental area. Providing TOKI received satisfactory answers to these questions, I'd be supportive.

2/21/2021 2:22 PM

This land should be used to build affordable housing for workers on KI and SI. It should be used as intended, not for a putt putt. We have enough recreation spaces on KI, SI and JI. This will be the first step towards total commercial development and that is not why we live on Kiawah. Kiawah is about preserving the natural beauty and ecosystems here. A definite NO.

2/21/2021 11:58 AM

The mini golf course and accompanying amenities do not fit with the general area in which it is being proposed. Traffic problems in and out of this plot are difficult with all of the present traffic, and adding substantial traffic during opening hours will add to the danger of the already existing traffic flow. Also, it is not in keeping with all other zoning in the adjacent parcels. It is now zoned as residential for a reason, and that reason has not changed. Before rezoning, the adjacent areas up to and including all of Betsy Kerrison Parkway frontage should be assessed, and if changes should be made after a comprehensive review. We should not be piece-mealing zoning changes in response to a single application.

2/21/2021 11:57 AM

When I think of mini golf in a beach town, I think of Ocean City, MD or Myrtle Beach, SC - something with lots of commercialism and neon lights. There are appropriate places for this type of activity, but Kiawah Island is not it. We come to Kiawah for the nature, for its tranquility, for the darkness, and for the quiet. We do not come to Kiawah to be entertained - certainly not by large beach town type commercialism. I'm afraid allowing this type of activity would open the flood gates to more of this type of development - sending Kiawah Island down the wrong path. The path into a type of town we do not want. Please do all that you can to avoid this. Please let's keep Kiawah Island the sacred and tranquil place it is. This is why all of us decided to make Kiawah Island our home in the first place. Thank you.

2/21/2021 11:33 AM

Too close to the road and traffic circle. It is not necessary to have it in that area where we are coming off the island. It also is not in keeping with the Kiawah idea of natural beauty. It will definitely change that area of Johns Island and not in a good way. I would have no problem driving to use a putt putt golf course but do not see the need for it to be in that spot.

2/21/2021 9:43 AM

an invitation to traffic that our current roadways could not handle & possibly inviting crime into the area!

2/21/2021 9:06 AM

I am concerned that it will set a precedent and other properties could be rezoned for similar uses. How would the planning commission say no to another property owner who wanted to rezone for a water park or a go cart park. Mini golf is incompatible with the primarily residential and low impact commercial --

coffee shops/farmers markets on this stretch of Betsy Kerrison Parkway. Please let's preserve what's left of the character of this part of the Low Country. Thank you.

2/20/2021 7:19 PM

Traffic near the entrance to Kiawah Island and overcrowding of Island and near Island amenities.

2/20/2021 5:26 PM

This area should continue to be zoned R4 Single Family Residential.

2/20/2021 4:18 PM

Increased commercialism, density, noise and safety. Negative affect on nature and wildlife.

2/20/2021 4:13 PM

I feel it will make this area of Johns Island too commercial, touristy. Traffic will increase as well as noise and lights. People come to Kiawah and Seabrook to get away from the commercialism of other beach towns.

2/20/2021 3:25 PM

Mini golf is not consistent with my view of Kiawah as a premium seaside resort And projects too much commercialism.

2/20/2021 3:02 PM

More commercial development which could then cause additional traffic. While I don't want more houses either at least traffic would not expand exponentially.

2/20/2021 1:22 PM

My wife and I are strongly opposed to the proposal to rezone the subject parcel. The location is on a bend in the road where cars are accelerating from 25 to 50 mph. It is already difficult for a good part of the day to leave Kiawah Island headed north because traffic from Seabrook Island is directed from the traffic circle into the inside lane. Drivers are focused on making lane changes because traffic is often halted or slowed at the Kiawah Town Hall entrance/exit. There are often pedestrians in the center between the roadways and no walkways on the sides of the road. For safety reasons alone, this proposal should be rejected. Beyond that, the "charitable" aspect of this proposal is derisory, and will result in little or no funds flow to needy causes. It is all about "feel good" optics. We are all familiar with Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head, and the adverse impact that over-commercialization has had there. Kiawah and Seabrook represent a growing and substantial share of the real estate tax revenue of Charleston County. You should seek to protect that tax base by not allowing this sort of development to harm property values. We own additional highly taxed parcels on the already over-stressed Bohicket Road. Approval of mini-golf will probably not attract much business from Kiawah, but will very likely draw in many people from elsewhere resulting in further traffic nightmares on Bohicket. We have owned our property below since 1988 and have lived here since about 2000 . My wife is a SC native. We do not think that this sort of development will help Johns, Kiawah and Seabrook Islands in any way, and urge you to reject it.

2/20/2021 11:59 AM

None

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traffic flow

2/20/2021 11:41 AM

1. The Proposal Violates the Area's Current and Desired Residential Feel: The proposed use for the property is in direct conflict with the type of atmosphere and "feel" that we currently have and want to retain for the Sea Islands. The whole reason we and many other owners picked Kiawah as our home in the first place was because of its quiet, peaceful, secluded, residential feel. For many years, we've described our Sea Island area paradise as exactly what it is - one of the last great places to come to relax and get AWAY from the hustle and bustle of the big city and from the commercialized, stereotypical spring break hangouts like Myrtle Beach. If someone wants to partake in miniature golf or other similar activities (movie theaters, go-carts, fast-food restaurants, etc.), they should go to one of the many already existing areas that cater to that type of lifestyle. Don't change our lifestyle to match theirs! Conversely, if someone wants to get away from the big city and / or hustle and bustle of commercialized areas, then this is the place. We don't want to lose that distinction!!!!!! Please don't ruin our beautiful respite. 2.

"Attractions" Attract More Attractions: The proverbial slippery slope is a very real danger. Please take extra care with this request because it asks for something that is so different from what currently exists, and it could represent the beginning of a 180 degree change for the area. Once one miniature golf unit is approved, it will be hard to stop the floodgates. That may seem good in the short-term, but it won't take long before that completely ruins quiet, peaceful, secluded, residential feel the Sea Islands currently

enjoy. Without much imagination, we could soon be just another Isle of the Palms or one of many other destination spots that are virtually indistinguishable from each other. After being turned down at their first rezoning request, it appears that the property owner has added bocce courts and food service to their planned development in hopes that these additions would help with approval. Quite the opposite, however, those additions actually make the proposal even worse. In essence, these newly proposed additions prove our fear stated above that "attractions" attract more attractions. Stop this now!!! 3.

Rezoning Danger: The proposed rezone appears to allow amusement parks, miniature golf courses, race tracks, etc. If the proposed rezone is approved, there's no telling what will come next. It's all bad. 4. The Proposal Compromises Drainage: Any change that increases the property's impervious square footage would negatively affect how quickly the area drains after significant rains. Betsey Kerrison already floods with major rainfalls. Increasing impervious square footage anywhere close to Betsey Kerrison will only make the flooding worse. Betsey Kerrison is the only hurricane evacuation option for Kiawah / Seabrook residents. We shouldn't make an already dangerous situation more dangerous. 5. There is Insufficient Infrastructure: Obviously, more "attractions" on Betsey Kerrison will increase traffic on Betsey Kerrison, Bohicket, Main Road, Maybank, River Road, and the Main Road / Savannah Highway intersection. We already have a traffic problem, and the proposed change would make it even worse.

2/20/2021 11:12 AM

Commercialization and traffic

2/20/2021 8:41 AM

Traffic, traffic, traffic.

2/20/2021 8:30 AM

Increased traffic to an area with inadequate roads coming into the area from Johns Island and further out.

2/20/2021 8:08 AM

Traffic and future development.

2/20/2021 6:23 AM

Aesthetics, traffic, and not in keeping with Kiawah's resort reputation. The beach, bike paths, tennis and golf facilities offer more than enough for vacationers. Please NO mini golf.

2/20/2021 5:53 AM

traffic is terrible now, if there is mini golf it will only get worse.

2/19/2021 8:06 PM

1. Increased traffic from both directions on an infrastructure that is currently inadequate to support; ie., more accidents, more congestion, etc.. 2. Increased light and noise pollution at night that will have a negative impact on the environment. 3. Adding this type of entertainment will not enhance the current standing of the surrounding communities - Kiawah and Seabrook. These are two communities that people are attracted to because of its uniqueness and 'less busy' type lifecycle. In return for this uniqueness Kiawah and Seabrook pay enormous taxes that support many other communities in the county. If property values drop because of over development then Charleston County will be negatively impacted. 5. While I hope that this is NOT a reason for approving this activity, the amount of money that has been suggested to be donated to charity during the months of Dec and Jan will be very small and not a substantial commitment.

2/19/2021 5:28 PM

Traffic congestion and safety are major issues for me regarding that section of Betsy Kerrison Parkway. Cars already speed in that location, so entering or exiting will be hazardous. I just don't think there is a need for this at this time. I personally have six grandchildren and I have no interest in having this here for them. We prefer the beach and natural areas.

2/19/2021 5:21 PM

congestion, safety, falling property values

2/19/2021 4:49 PM

We must preserve the footprint of a marsh and natural drainage of the Low Country. The footprint of this project and related parking damages our drainage and therefore risks our plant and wildlife

2/19/2021 4:42 PM

traffic

2/19/2021 4:04 PM

The drive to Kiawah and Seabrook is visually appealing. We do not need another commercial property with additional parking, lighting, and noise very close to the road. Also Betsy Kerrison Road has enough traffic on it now, and we do not need more traffic with left turns or having to go around the Freshfields

Circle. A miniature golf complex would adversely affect the aesthetics of the area. I strongly oppose this rezoning request.

2/19/2021 3:38 PM

Added traffic

2/19/2021 3:38 PM

Traffic and speed of traffic in that area

2/19/2021 2:44 PM

We cannot handle any additional traffic and certainly do not want this quiet location to become another Myrtle Beach. Our property values will definitely be affected in the negative. This should remain a residential area!

2/19/2021 2:31 PM

There's a feel about Kiawah that makes it unique. The feel of natural beauty, low noise, upscale establishments that naturally blend into the surroundings. Mini-golf completely goes against the beauty of Kiawah Island and lessens the appearance, attraction and ultimately property values. I'm surprised you're even considering this.

2/19/2021 2:07 PM

We have been a property owner on Kiawah since 2004. We have been vacationing on Kiawah since 1980. The reason we chose Kiawah over Hilton Head or other areas is that there is no commercialism. Kiawah is a special place and one of the things that makes it special is there is no real commercialism. Bohicket Marina is fantastic, rustic, local, and no hype. Freshfields was a very nice addition and done very well with the flavor of the Kiawah / Seabrook local feel. Even most of Johns Island (near Kiawah/Seabrook) is done with very good "no commercialism" taste. Please do not ever let any zoning occur that allows for normal commercialism businesses (putt putt, go carts, fast food restaurants (McDs, Burger King, etc), Pizza retail (Dominos, Pizza Hut), jet ski rental, parasailing, etc) that you see at all the other beaches and resort towns. It will junk up what makes Kiawah/Seabrook special. And don't allow it to occur any where near Kiawah / Seabrook, such as next to the Municipal center. Or anywhere along Bohicket Road or the parkway after you pass Maybank highway intersection (I know that is not in our control, but it is too nice a drive to mess up with commercial retail and recreation). Thank you for asking for an opinion. I realize having things to do for children and families is important, but there are too many other great things to do as a family on Kiawah that we have done for decades - bike, walk, nature hikes, crafts, etc. Escape the normal "entertainment" and come to Kiawah, or go to another island like Myrtle Beach if you want that type of "entertainment / activity" vacation with your family. I hope others share my same concern.

2/19/2021 1:07 PM

We do not need another commercial development on Betsy Kerrison that will add more continuous "in & out" traffic to that stretch of the roadway. The proposed development would amount to a glitzy tourist attraction. Not needed!

2/19/2021 12:45 PM

Traffic patterns/congestion, environmental impacts, preserving current residential zoning for families

2/19/2021 12:32 PM

I don't want putt-putt to be the first thing you see entering Kiawah Island. Our Island is not Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head.

2/19/2021 12:27 PM

I have no issues with this development. I think it would be a nice addition.

2/19/2021 12:12 PM

In and leaving traffic could be dangerous but for sure messy. This is a merging choke point before the round about to Kiawah and Seabrook. This could be like a commercial circus. Lights and sounds at night. This would fit Hilton Head area perfectly. Not the family and wildlife atmosphere of the entrance to Kiawah.

2/19/2021 12:01 PM

Traffic

2/19/2021 11:47 AM

Traffic

2/19/2021 11:41 AM

I see this as the beginning to "cheapen" the overall nature of this community. We don't need to create a "boardwalk" like atmosphere . They can go to Myrtle Beach

2/19/2021 11:37 AM

Traffic may be an issue. A pull off lane might help.

2/19/2021 10:52 AM

Would support another outdoor activity in the area as well as more food establishments.

2/19/2021 9:34 AM

Carnival atmosphere and light pollution

2/19/2021 9:31 AM

(1) unattractive activity from my perspective; (2) increased traffic and accident risk.

2/19/2021 9:14 AM

The beauty of Kiawah is it's natural surroundings. This putt putt would totally be in opposition of what we are all about.

2/19/2021 9:08 AM

I do not oppose the mini-golf project, per se. My concern is the future unknown development that will follow if the mini-golf is allowed to proceed. I do not want to see multiple attractions lining Betsy Kerrison coming into the island. This is not the vision I have for Kiawah.

2/19/2021 9:03 AM

Venue not in keeping with Kiawah's character as a home or vacation environment and traffic issues

2/19/2021 8:59 AM

Traffic

2/19/2021 8:54 AM

Litter. Noise pollution. Lighting pollution. 66 parking spots. Traffic dangers

2/19/2021 7:56 AM

does NOT ADD ANY VALUE

2/19/2021 7:56 AM

Traffic

2/19/2021 7:43 AM

None

2/19/2021 7:35 AM

The 2 lane roads onto & from the islands ( from Main & 17) & the property cannot handle more traffic.

This project offers no benefits to us.

2/19/2021 7:30 AM

Traffic, congestion. Too commercial.

2/19/2021 7:14 AM

Traffic

2/19/2021 6:25 AM

Parking 2. traffic flow in/out of location. The affect on future expansion of municipal building if need arises.

2/19/2021 5:25 AM

Increase in traffic not destined for Kiawah or Seabrook Island. Lack of adequate parking on site will result in overflow to municipal center lot. Appearance of facility not consistent with nearby properties or entrance to Kiawah Island. Will set a precedent for other commercial properties to develop nearby.

2/18/2021 11:01 PM

Traffic!

2/18/2021 9:57 PM

Disruption of wildlife and peaceful setting

2/18/2021 9:36 PM

Traffic, light pollution, over-development which overshadows the natural beauty of the island.

2/18/2021 9:27 PM

Use is in opposition to the character of the island, celebrating natural beauty and wildlife.

2/18/2021 9:25 PM

Traffic buildup in area. Dramatic negative change in the "feel "of this site.

2/18/2021 8:41 PM

Added traffic on Betsy Kerrison Pkwy

2/18/2021 8:37 PM

The entire premise of Kiawah Island and surrounding areas are to preserve the integrity, conservation and beauty of the natural environment. Look at the Town's, and Kiawah Conservancy's websites. This type of development is in total opposition to what homeowners come here for. I have owned property for

over 30 years. Even with young children we managed to find things to do that instilled lifelong memories. Do we really need a miniature golf course? NO... maybe they can sell cotton candy too and have a large Ferris wheel. Let's get real. For those who can't live without these unnecessary amenities, they can go to Hilton Head. This entire proposal should be nixed.

2/18/2021 8:30 PM

Increased population especially in the summer months. Increased traffic Noise Pollution

2/18/2021 8:26 PM

Traffic, lifestyle, over development of that section of the island.

2/18/2021 8:25 PM

To take an environment that feels serene and natural and turn it into a mini golf course feels like it will dramatically cheapen our community. I would expect to see this in Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head, but not Kiawah. I'm totally opposed to this.

2/18/2021 8:23 PM

The island is primarily a residential community with low impact commercial uses in conformity with the commitment to nature and the fragile environment. This type of amusement introduces a myriad of concerns due to the introduction of concrete and other artificial surfaces while the current zoning preserves and maintains the natural environment. Rezoning this parcel will set a precedent which I feel is a dangerous one for the community and Johns Island at large..

2/18/2021 8:07 PM

Commercialization of Kiawah and Seabrook islands. We are not Myrtle Beach. We do not want to become junked up and just like all the other over developed beach communities. We are moving in the wrong direction if ideas like this are allowed to be developed. We need to be for nature not for noise.

Thank you.

2/18/2021 8:06 PM

Too many racist snobs on Kiawah nearby

2/18/2021 8:05 PM

NO

2/18/2021 8:02 PM

I am definitely opposed to this proposed miniature golf facility. For one our area already provides plenty for guests and residents to see and do—things that are much more focused on the beauty and richness of our environment. The last thing we need is stuff that would add activities that do not fit, but attract people from the local area that we don't particularly want. In my nearly 30 years as a property owner I have never met anyone residing or visiting here that has expressed any interest in miniature golf. No one will ever "discover" Seabrook or Kiawah because of a miniature golf course—but many may be turned off by one. I can't believe the real estate companies want any part of this! Secondly, we don't need another turnoff in that area for traffic jams or accidents. The entrance to the town hall coming from the parkway is a bit scary at times and that would grow immensely. This is not Myrtle Beach or Ocean Beach—and it better not ever be!

2/18/2021 7:41 PM

Additional loss of rural nature of the unincorporated section of Johns Island. Possible increase to flooding in adjacent properties. Increase to traffic challenges.

2/18/2021 7:32 PM

Negative environmental impact Traffic congestion Over development

2/18/2021 7:31 PM

Severe Traffic increase and commercialization of area

2/18/2021 7:24 PM

I think until Bohicket Road is widened, there should be no commercial development added to this area.

2/18/2021 7:18 PM

Overdevelopment, population density, traffic congestion, and the environmental impact.

2/18/2021 7:12 PM

Re-zoning will open up the opportunity to build dense housing. Traffic issues.

2/18/2021 7:06 PM

I do not want it re-zoned from residential to commercial use.

2/18/2021 7:02 PM

Traffic patterns

2/18/2021 7:02 PM

Traffic, increasing density.

2/18/2021 6:58 PM

Traffic and eye sores.

2/18/2021 6:50 PM

The view from Betsy Kerrison Parkway—signage, etc

2/18/2021 6:48 PM

I like the "natural" entertainment at Kiawah - kayaking, biking, turtle patrol, beachcombing - as well as all the golf, tennis, etc. offered already. There is plenty to keep kids of all ages occupied!

2/18/2021 6:46 PM

Traffic. Roads are always ready waaay to crowded to support this rezoning.

2/18/2021 6:43 PM

This is a slippery slope to becoming Myrtle Beach.

2/18/2021 6:34 PM

Nighttime lighting, traffic, noise.

2/18/2021 6:33 PM

I'm concerned with light and noise pollution for all of those living in the adjacent area, specifically the residents of Resurrection Road. I think their feedback should be most heavily considered. The property owner knew that the land he was purchasing was zoned as residential. It shouldn't come as a surprise to him that people living nearby would expect it to remain as such. He has expressed an interest in donating some of the putt-putt proceeds to charity. Well, I think the most charitable thing he can offer is peace of mind to the residents of Resurrection Road. Put yourself in their shoes, how would you like a property on your street being rezoned and turned into a mini-golf course? Also, I don't find this type of facility to be on-brand with Kiawah's and Seabrook's aesthetics. It belongs in a more commercial destination like Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach. If green lighted, it would be a shame if this project served as a catalyst for more rezoning to accommodate other tasteless entertainment venues. There are plenty of activities for families on KI, SI, and JI. I really don't anticipate people coming from far and wide down our long, twisty roads to play mini-golf. Realistically, it's just a way to make money off of tourists vacationing at the resorts, leaving residents to pay the price.

2/18/2021 6:30 PM

Welcome to Myrtle Beach, Yo!

2/18/2021 6:25 PM

Are you kidding? EVERYTHING about this concerns me

2/18/2021 6:24 PM

The character of that part of the island needs to stay residential, and as this is the first request for rezoning, we don't want this to lead to a Hilton Head Island environment.

2/18/2021 6:22 PM

Traffic, congestion and overall quality of community life

2/18/2021 6:20 PM

More traffic we do not need

2/18/2021 6:09 PM

Traffic, security, night lights, noise pollution, along with giant gorillas, windmills, and open mouth whales

2/18/2021 6:07 PM

Traffic. Safety.

2/18/2021 6:07 PM

Do not want increase in commercial development on Betsy Kerrison

2/18/2021 5:59 PM

None

2/18/2021 5:57 PM

The addition of more commercial entities surrounding the entrance to the island. Do we really need a carnival atmosphere as we approach our community?

2/18/2021 5:56 PM

Increased traffic and a change to the character of the area

2/18/2021 5:52 PM

Traffic concerns, more people to an already busy area, not visually appealing. Our island needs to stay beautiful and not turn into the next Myrtle Beach.

2/18/2021 5:41 PM

The proposed rezoning request and attendant development is not in keeping with the character and traditional feel and natural ambiance of Kiawah. Flower and fauna, regular golf, tennis and related court sports, beach and water activities, bike riding and quiet walks are what make Kiawah the special place that it is. Mini golf is not in keeping with my view of what Kiawah represents to most residents and visitors. We are unique and should strive to stay that way.

2/18/2021 5:29 PM

Increased traffic on an already overburdened road, negative environmental impact, and a commercial operation that is NOT in keeping with the mission and overall feeling of Kiawah Island.

2/18/2021 5:23 PM

Bright lights, increase traffic, decrease in security, doesn't "fit" with the rest of the businesses an operating on Kiawah/Seabrook. Putt putt at Night Heron, great! No Myrtle Beach/Hilton Head, please.

2/18/2021 5:22 PM

Environmental Impact Aesthetics, it will not fit in w/rest of community Additional traffic in a congested area.

2/18/2021 5:14 PM

I have safety concerns regarding safe entrance and exit to the property, particularly for those coming towards Kiawah.

2/18/2021 5:08 PM

None ... we have no right to judge a private individual's wishes for their property unless it creates a health, safety, security or material property value impact. We have to get over our selves.

2/18/2021 5:05 PM

Do not want to traffic

2/18/2021 5:02 PM

Lack of road infrastructure on Johns Island. Bohicket Rd needs to be upgraded.

2/18/2021 5:01 PM

Commercial establishments set a precedent. Noise ,traffic, lights at night , trash. Not conducive to the real wildlife!

2/18/2021 5:00 PM

Mobile home use

2/18/2021 4:51 PM

Congestion

2/18/2021 4:50 PM

I support property owners rights. If the golf is low profile visually from road with ample parking I think it's fine. That said, what does concern me is that no one has shown us a design / plan. Thanks

2/18/2021 4:46 PM

Mostly, I am concerned that rezoning this property to allow for a mini-golf course will make it easier to rezone other similar properties along Betsy Kerrison Parkway for commercial development. The Johns Island community could be replaced by strip business centers, bringing in more people, cars, and trucks, and the rural nature of this area could be forever changed. Developing this property as a Putt-Putt will add more traffic to an area that is already overwhelmed at times, often shut down due to one accident. Since there is only one way on and off Kiawah, Seabrook, and this end of Johns Island, we don't have alternative routes to get back to the mainland or for storm evacuations. Rezoning and development may have a potential negative impact on the watershed and will require grand trees and local native habitat to be removed. Wildlife will be displaced. Kiawah has a strong development agreement that attempts to balance ecological health with development. Private areas like this one do not have these restrictions or guidelines, and the environmental impact of the development will not be monitored or controlled for the overall ecological health of the community. Mostly, I'm concerned about the loss of the residential Johns Island community and culture, people who have been here for generations. Many people with generational family histories on Johns Island may be displaced, too. One mini-golf course isn't going to make or break Betsy Kerrison Parkway, but rezoning for one mini-golf course will probably make it easier for other properties on Betsy Kerrison Parkway to be rezoned and developed in similar or even more ecologically unfriendly ways. For these reasons, I am opposed to rezoning this property for a mini-golf course.

2/18/2021 4:44 PM

It is too close to the entrance to Kiawah. It will take away from the appearance of the island.

2/18/2021 4:39 PM

I don't know anything about the proposal beyond what is in this notice, but (ignoring that KIGR is one big commercial enterprise) I don't like the idea of commercializing what is the entrance corridor to Kiawah and Seabrook.

2/18/2021 4:29 PM

Traffic!!!!

2/18/2021 4:27 PM

Road construction and access, congestion, quality of area and amenities, visual impact as you approach kiawah( beautiful now, mini golf would make it seem cheap.).

2/18/2021 4:20 PM

It will create additional traffic, and we do not need more traffic on Main/Bohicket Rd. It is not in keeping with the "natural" recreation that is offered in and around Kiawah.

2/18/2021 4:18 PM

I support the development. It will add the the recreational activities in the area.

2/18/2021 4:11 PM

Increased traffic and traffic safety concerns on Betsy Kerrison parkway. Aesthetics of the project are also of concern.

2/18/2021 4:10 PM

Not in keeping with the Natural surroundings of Kiawah. Disturbing of habitat etc.

2/18/2021 4:10 PM

People love Kiawah for its natural beauty. This would set a precedent for more activities similar to Myrtle Beach. The lovely character of Kiawah must be protected. Traffic is already a major concern on the parkway and the islands. This venue would attract not only guests staying on Kiawah and Seabrook Islands, but also the other nearby islands. This additional traffic would increase potential accidents and put even more vehicles and stress on the busy and crowded island roads and at Freshfields. Please vote against this zoning proposal!

2/18/2021 4:07 PM

Too much traffic and unwanted solicitation. This is not Myrtle Beach. Please keep this away from our area and island. Thank you.

2/18/2021 4:06 PM

Good entry and egress

2/18/2021 4:06 PM

Safety and traffic. No benefit to the developments on either Kiawah or Seabrook. Better location would be on River Road, which is less travelled.

2/18/2021 4:04 PM

I have some concerns about the flow of traffic but believe that this proposal would be a nice amenity for the island communities.

2/18/2021 4:03 PM

Traffic, conservation and asthetics.

2/18/2021 3:58 PM

Making the entrance to both islands tacky, as in Myrtle Beach, Coney Island or Atlantic City. Significant detriment to our traffic volume and traffic patterns. Once something like this squeezes in, other tacky projects will be more difficult to deny. This is so bad that I would favor an investigation as to whether anyone has been bribed if it goes through. One of the principals involved(whom I don't know myself) seems to have close ties to many people out here, and finding out how they might have helped him and for what in exchange can't be known without a very thorough investigation.

2/18/2021 3:57 PM

My opposition is to the additional traffic the proposed use would generate. Betsy Kerrison can be congested at times and might be able to support additional traffic but Bohicket, River and Main Roads do not seem to handle the current traffic, let alone any additional traffic.

2/18/2021 3:57 PM

Think it furthers takes away from the unique island feel Of sea brook and Kiawah we do not need

2/18/2021 3:55 PM

More traffic and KIAWAH has always been an upscale resort destination. I think having a mini golf venue brings more traffic and takes the "upscale" down to regular.

2/18/2021 3:54 PM

Traffic

2/18/2021 3:52 PM

I think the impacts to traffic locally from the addition of a mini golf course would be negative. We are already dealing with frequent and severe (often fatal) accidents near the proposed area. These accidents often shut traffic down for hours to and from the islands.

2/18/2021 3:51 PM

Density and over development are key issues facing Kiawah. Rezoning to increase density does not help the island but rather further strains our infrastructure. Please leave the current zoning in place.

2/18/2021 3:50 PM

Further deterioration of the natural beauty/peaceful serenity approaching Kiawah Island, additional destruction of natural habitats to animals and plants, increased traffic and pollution, potential increased crowds at Fresh Fields. This development will promote a "Jersey Shore" aesthetic which is in opposite to what KI is about. And what will prevent continued re zoning efforts and commercialization?

2/18/2021 3:46 PM

Mini golf is totally out of place in the Kiawah Seabrook area. Permitting this type of activity will open the floodgates for other things out of place in our environment, such as go-cart tracks, fast food places, etc. I know of no real market for these types of services in the Kiawah-Seabrook area. This would be better suited many miles farther in on James Island, or better yet up the coast in Myrtle Beach! Approval risks ruining the quiet environment of Kiawah-Seabrook, and that would potentially be the first shot in torpedoing property values on the two islands which have long promoted the quiet aspect , and lack of mass market noise/crowds as a primary marketing point.

2/18/2021 3:40 PM

Many things concern me about this: 1) mini golf is not consistent with any of the other structures in the area nor the idea of preserving the natural beauty of Johns Island 2) This will lead to further commercialization along Betsy Kerrison which will contribute to further traffic issues 3) Given the bulk of usage will likely come from Kiawah/Seabrook renters, the exit from the location will require left turns across a four lane road and likely create congestion and / or the need for a traffic light, 4) I am not convinced that this type of commercialization will be helpful to property values on Kiawah, Seabrook or Johns Island. Thank you

2/18/2021 3:39 PM

It would likely not conform to the general aesthetic, also traffic issues with crowds.

2/18/2021 3:38 PM

We don't want to become Myrtle Beach! traffic will increase and there will be a safety issue making the turns in and out of proposed development.

2/18/2021 3:37 PM

Maintaining the primarily residential and non-commercial character of Kiawah, Seabrook and the surrounding portion of Johns Island.

2/18/2021 3:37 PM

To Preserve the natural beauty of the area and not add to traffic. It will bring it a lot more people from outside the area. There are so many things to do on the Islands we don't need a mini golf to entertain us. I am a little taken back that anyone would think this is a good idea to put a mini golf right outside Kiawah and Seabrook. Lets preserve the beauty of the area, no mini golf. go kart tracks, strip malls,arcades, ect...

2/18/2021 3:36 PM

Very little about this particular issue concerns me - traffic continued to be some sort of a problem, but anyone who has lived in any of the other top-50 metro US areas understand that traffic is a necessary evil for smart development.

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The amount of traffic the development will bring.

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Afraid it will take away from the natural beauty of the area and replace it with a retail eyesore

2/18/2021 3:33 PM

Degrading the property, wear out and decay of property, increased traffic and increase customers changing Kiawah

2/18/2021 3:33 PM

Traffic. Dilution of the John's Island character. Inconsistent with Kiawah/Seabrook developments. More appropriate to Myrtle Beach.

2/18/2021 3:33 PM

Traffic and congestion

2/18/2021 3:27 PM

This proposed development will add a significant amount of traffic to this location. There is not a way to cross the median in the highway from this property and the development, as proposed, will increase the amount of traffic that does a u-turn on the highway. A u-turn on a highway is an unsafe practice that has caused many close calls when I have traveled on this stretch of road.

2/18/2021 3:23 PM

What a lousy idea. Appearance on our entrance. Traffic. Impact on Kiawah image. Do not fall for this proposal. Sounds like Disneyland.

2/18/2021 3:22 PM

A mini-golf facility is not consistent with the surrounding community.

2/18/2021 3:21 PM

Overcrowding of roads, influx of other similar enterprises once this door is opened, harm to the environment with sound and light negatively impacting the wildlife, a growing lack of respect for the green space that is essential to a balanced quality of life for all.

2/18/2021 3:18 PM

Like all communities, Kiawah and Seabrook Islands have a unique brand that impacts public perception and consequently, supports property values. We have to be honest in acknowledging that Kiawah/Seabrook is, relatively speaking, a high-end brand. Decisions that undermine the brand will undermine the property values. Perhaps no one decision will do this alone, but the cumulative effect of many small decisions can have this effect. While I have nothing against miniature golf, it's just not a land use that is consistent with the brand, particularly right at our "front door". I faced these exact issues daily during eight years in public office in a rural Virginia county that faced constant development pressure. We mostly held our ground because we greatly value the rural life and viewsheds, and we have regretted those few decisions where we did not. I would vote against this proposal. Should you decide otherwise, please pay careful attention to layout, signage, landscape buffer and the like. It can have a major effect on the visual impact of this use. Thank you for your consideration.

2/18/2021 3:17 PM

I honestly don't have an issue with this development. I think that this development could provide a lot of positive impact to Johns Island and the surrounding area.

2/18/2021 3:17 PM

Traffic,affects the watershed,affects animals with increased traffic,bad spot in the bend for speed and blind curves.

2/18/2021 3:12 PM

Traffic would be a nightmare. Prefer not to have mini golf as entrance to Kiawah!

2/18/2021 3:11 PM

As a property owner on Kiawah since 1978 I do not think a miniature golf facility is the best use of this land. Many small businesses have failed on our barrier island because not many folks come out to Kiawah in the off season. The road leading to this property is treacherous, quite frankly deadly, and locals do not travel it frequently. I also think that personally miniature golf is not upscale enough to be adjacent to one of the most pristine resorts in the United States. I am opposed to putting miniature golf at this location sight.

2/18/2021 3:11 PM

Not a good fit for Ki.

2/18/2021 3:10 PM

We believe that a miniature golf course so close to Kiawah's/Freshfields entrance would diminish our image as a world class island resort.

2/18/2021 3:10 PM

Seems tacky. Such facilities often "shot down" after a brief burst, then you are left with an eyesore. I'm also concerned about continued development in this eco-sensitive region.

2/18/2021 3:09 PM

We do not want the surrounding area to become so commercial looking like a theme park! We did not buy property here for that reason. We would seriously look to sell our property and move elsewhere!

2/18/2021 3:08 PM

There is enough heavy traffic on Betsy Kerrison now with resulting accidents and damage to vehicles from pot holes, and fissures in the road. The planned golf facility has outlined over 50 parking

spaces. Adding traffic would cause more issues especially during the hours of 4 to 7 when most of the construction traffic from Kiawah and Seabrook leave, which is the time that most people take their children to play mini golf.

2/18/2021 3:07 PM

Traffic Congestion, Storm water/Flood mitigation from development

2/18/2021 3:07 PM

Careful zoning has made this area one of the most beautiful beach communities in America (the opposite of Myrtle Beach). If we start taking down beautiful trees to create "mini golf courses" - the look, feel and consistency of the neighborhood will be destroyed. Strongly, strongly oppose.

2/18/2021 3:05 PM

I'm concerned about the additional traffic that will travel on roads that are already overcrowded and hazardous.

2/18/2021 3:02 PM

Traffic concerns This will adversely affect the rural nature of our islands and create a commercialized appearance

2/18/2021 3:02 PM

The proposed application is out of keeping with the semi-rural, natural, residentially oriented character of the immediate area. Those commercial operations that are proximate are all small scale, farm stand or cafe format operations that maintain the natural landscape and preserve the limited retail profile of the area. I am also concerned with the prospective impact the development would have on traffic volume, noise, and lighting pollution.

2/18/2021 3:01 PM

The increase and viability in relationship to traffic patterns. As well as, interfering with the basic nature of the kiawah community.

2/18/2021 3:01 PM

Getting too commercial. Safe biking access to the facility if built.

2/18/2021 3:01 PM

Bright lighting

2/18/2021 3:01 PM

This is a close one for me. Done tastefully and carefully, I could support a mini-golf, but I worry about artificial light, traffic and aesthetic. The location of the property "beyond the round-about" as well as the fact that this would provide a good family activity for non-resident/non member guests to the Island is a positive. However, highly commercial development all around the island is a challenge, and must be advanced cautiously. If approved, the aesthetic, lighting and traffic concerns should be addressed in the approved building plan.

2/18/2021 2:59 PM

Increased traffic; commercial impact on environment

2/18/2021 2:57 PM

Traffic congestion

2/18/2021 2:55 PM

Traffic to site for day trips which would result in more traffic to Beach Walker beach (public beach) on KI (and areas in the facilities). Also concerns about additional traffic at the roundabout and onto Kiawah Parkway. Currently drivers do not understand how to signal turns in the roundabout and additional traffic will make it worse. Also I'm very aware of how so many drivers on the Parkway are texting as they drive. Additional congestion would bring more drivers/cars/danger.

2/18/2021 2:55 PM

too much commercialism!!!!!!

2/18/2021 2:50 PM

I am concerned about the impact of high density housing and/or amusements will have on traffic and public safety. I am also concerned about the potential negative impact something like mini golf would have on the aesthetics of the area. Keep it in Myrtle Beach.

2/18/2021 2:50 PM

1- Increase in vehicle traffic and pollution. 2- Devaluation of Kiawah. We are not Myrtle Beach or an amusement park... Our values maintain nature and preservation. This project is not in line with our values. Thank you for your consideration.

2/18/2021 2:50 PM

I wish there were an option to say I'm not sure about this proposal. My major concerns are about: the zoning of adjacent properties and whether this rezoning could potentially impact them (causing more to be rezoned); the traffic this will generate in an area where the speed limit increases and getting in and out of this property and into the flow of traffic will be dangerous; while not opposed to mini-golf per se, I think the traffic issue is significant, not the volume as much as the in and out.

2/18/2021 2:43 PM

The traffic, the lights, and it is not in my opinion in keeping with the character of Kiawah. I think the idea is tacky.

2/18/2021 2:43 PM

None

2/18/2021 2:41 PM

Traffic, environment and unsightliness as you approach Kiawah Island

2/18/2021 2:40 PM

safety issues regarding entering the property and leaving the property. No left turn onto Betsy Kerrison should be allowed. Too dangerous with oncoming traffic and limited visibility of traffic on both sides of Betsy Kerrison. If alcohol is sold, strict adherence to legal sale to adult consumers. Extensive landscaping on the property line facing Betsy Kerrison to keep a natural look from the road.

2/18/2021 2:40 PM

I have seen this kind of development encroach on Hilton Head and its lead to outlet malls and congested highways. We are NOT Myrtle Beach! Please keep Johns Island and the Kiawah/Seabrook area pristine.

2/18/2021 2:38 PM

Keeping natural habitat. Not allowing any additional commercial building.

2/18/2021 2:36 PM

I think a mini golf facility on central Johns Island makes sense but not adjacent to the Kiawah roundabout / informal entrance

2/18/2021 2:36 PM

Traffic

2/18/2021 2:36 PM

Primarily traffic, secondarily commercialism of the area

2/18/2021 2:33 PM

Traffic

2/18/2021 11:28 AM

I don't think a mini golf facility is appropriate in this area. Kiawah is an area that is centered on nature and the mini golf will bring more of an amusement park atmosphere. This type of development does not fit with the Kiawah lifestyle that homeowners and visitors know and expect. I am also concerned about the potential increase in traffic on the parkway.

2/17/2021 4:25 PM

Will create myrtle beach ambiance

2/17/2021 2:24 PM

Traffic, lack of oversight, detractions of property values

2/16/2021 9:35 PM

Traffic nightmare Not safe

2/16/2021 8:51 PM

Increased traffic on roads that are already overburdened; light pollution at night and litter. Approve this and there will be more unwanted development in the area.

2/16/2021 3:31 PM

Commercialization and recreational use completely inconsistent with—out of character with—surroundings. Would be an eyesore, to put it mildly. Traffic into and out of such a planned use would also be a grave concern. Hope they can uphold the current zoning, at a minimum—otherwise, why even have zoning!

2/16/2021 2:52 PM

I oppose the zoning change. I believe that it would set an unfortunate precedent and would damage the residential character of the island communities surrounding it. ( I am a home owner on Kiawah Island and have been for 18 years. )

2/16/2021 2:23 PM

Mini-golf at this site will create a potential traffic hazard. After playing mini-golf at this location, vacationers from Kiawah & Seabrook will need to drive North on Betsy Kerrison Parkway and then make a U-turn, where the speed limit is 50 mph. I believe these additional U-turn vehicles will create a potential hazard to existing traffic. Also, there will probably be a fair number of young drivers (teenagers) who borrow their parents car to go play mini-golf. This U-turn may be difficult for drivers with limited driving experience.

2/16/2021 12:30 PM

Traffic, not enough parking, not enough food options or grocery for any more shoppers

2/15/2021 9:08 PM

Mini-golf is not consistent with the ambiance of Kiawah Island and will cheapen the area. It may also increase traffic onto Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

2/15/2021 1:48 PM

The degradation of the area as a quiet residential zone and vacation destination, increased traffic not related to those uses, and devaluation of surrounding real estate.

2/15/2021 11:38 AM

Nonresident traffic and overcrowding of fresh fields and Kiawah.

2/15/2021 11:34 AM

As long as the business is setup and operated in the spirit of Kiawah Island and not like some of the ones in the other beach areas I support it. It is up to Planning and Zoning to make sure it works with the KI lifestyle

2/15/2021 9:22 AM

I am concerned about further commercial development along Betsy Kerrison Pkwy and increased traffic flow along Betsy Kerrison and Main Road, already overburdened by development.

2/15/2021 8:00 AM

Traffic concerns for what will be a highly trafficked facility. Too close to Roundabout area and extensive traffic there to and from islands.

2/14/2021 6:07 PM

Traffic! Charleston County has done a poor job of planning growth and investing in infrastructure to support it. As a result the drive to Kiawah/Seabrook from HWY 17 has changed from a lovely drive down a charming road draped with live oaks, farms, etc to a congested and dangerous slog. This must be addressed before further development is allowed.

2/14/2021 5:20 PM

This is crazy a miniature golf how did this even get this far. NO NO NO! Mike Swomley

2/14/2021 4:43 PM

Safety: traffic on an already congested road and one that already has too many accidents, location on a road that has no lights which might prove dangerous for people driving at night that are not familiar with the road. In case of an emergency more cars on this congested road will make it even harder for emergency vehicles travels in either direction on Bohicket/BKH. location: a location closer to Maybank Hwy would serve a broader population. Noise and bright lights.

2/14/2021 3:59 PM

Major concern is increased traffic in an area crucial to entrance of both islands.

2/13/2021 5:40 PM

Nothing.

2/13/2021 4:00 PM

Traffic and ingress and egress is all. I support the plan to build the facility.

2/13/2021 12:51 PM

Traffic congestion Road safety Change of surroundings not in line with the nature and beauty of why you visit this part of the city in the first place.

2/13/2021 12:01 PM

Additional development could cause major traffic problems on Betsy Kerrison Parkway since it is the only route in and out of Kiawah and Seabrook.

2/13/2021 10:35 AM

We first discovered Kiawah Island in 1993 and purchased a homesite in 2013. We completed the construction of our home in 2015. Kiawah has always been unique as a vacation & second home destination because of the lack of commercial activity on and around the island. Part of the experience we love is driving down Betsy Kerrison Parkway with the live oaks & Spanish moss creating a 'tunnel' to the hidden gem of Kiawah Island. Allowing a mini-golf course & food services business to open would set a

precedent for other tourist attractions such as go-carts, water parks, souvenir shops, etc. to open as well. I believe that would completely alter the current experience that makes Kiawah so unique. For these reasons, I am adamantly opposed to this proposed development.

2/13/2021 9:55 AM

Over the last 25 years the traffic continues to increase and no immediate plan to improve the drive from Charleston to Kiawah. When we built our home on Kiawah in 2015, one of the things we loved most was that Kiawah and the surrounding area are quiet and peaceful. I do not want to see the area become high traffic and commercialized. Had we wanted this we would have chosen maybe Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach type area. Our guests here on Kiawah never fail to comment on the area's peacefulness and opportunity to enjoy time from the "busy world". For these reasons, I do not support the proposal for a miniature golf facility!

2/13/2021 9:54 AM

Not needed as there are plenty of recreational offerings in the area

2/13/2021 9:04 AM

This cheapens the entire area!

2/13/2021 8:19 AM

Lowers property values by destroying the natural aspects of Kiawah.

2/13/2021 8:17 AM

Increased traffic and all the issues that will come with that; overdevelopment of our natural setting; commercialization of this area

2/13/2021 8:03 AM

Adverse effects to natural environment and additional stress to an already burdened infrastructure

2/12/2021 8:15 PM

I am concerned about more traffic and it will take away from the beauty of this island

2/12/2021 4:07 PM

Traffic congestion and question need for mini-golf for either Seabrook or Kiawah. Project is oriented to visitors not the residents

2/12/2021 3:48 PM

traffic!!!!

2/12/2021 3:46 PM

Congestion and uses inconsistent with preserving the island's natural beauty.

2/12/2021 2:51 PM

Way commercial and "Disneyland" "Myrtle Beach like for Kiawah. Go-carts next? Strongly oppose!

2/12/2021 2:51 PM

Increase in traffic both in/out. The speed limit is such that people pulling out will encounter on coming traffic doing 50 + MPH.

2/12/2021 2:37 PM

This is pure lunacy. The last thing that is needed in that area of Betsy Kerrison Pkwy is more congestion. There was just a fatal accident on BKP a short distance from the rezoning site. Also how does a miniature golf course keep with the tone and tenor of the kind of environment the town of Kiawah Island wants to project for its property owners. Answer---it doesn't! This is a colossal misuse of this property site and diminishes the standing of the residents of Kiawah Island for the type of environment they desire within the confines of the town.

2/12/2021 2:35 PM

Traffic congestion and inability for essential services to have adequate access. Plus mini golf is a completely unnecessary addition to the area.

2/12/2021 2:20 PM

I believe it is important to recognize that outdoor mini-golf has a high bankruptcy in the U.S.. and that the entrance to the area is close to the Round-a - bout exiting to Betsy Kerrison on the curve.

2/12/2021 2:19 PM

Wish to keep natural beauty. Not to over build with commercial businesses. When one is allowed many more will follow which would be a tragedy. Try to keep natural island feel.

2/12/2021 2:12 PM

It is not consistent with the aesthetics of the immediate area including Kiawah, Seabrook and Freshfields. More commercial development means more traffic which we don't need in the immediate area of entrance

to the islands. Congestion is already a problem during the busy season with tourists, contractors and employees and would be exacerbated with more traffic close to the circle.

2/12/2021 2:00 PM

Traffic is my first concern. Secondly the majority of the area is populated by retirees. The proposed use does not appeal to them. Let's not become Hilton Head please!

2/12/2021 1:57 PM

Issues would include increased traffic in an especially dangerous location where vehicles are rapidly accelerating and changing lanes once they leave the traffic circle, increased litter, environmental pollution, and loss of a historical one room schoolhouse. A miniature golf business is diametrically opposed to the natural bucolic uniqueness of these islands, and the branding that Kiawah is trying to preserve. That type development is typical of congested seaside areas with strip malls like Myrtle Beach and Florida. We have all seen the crumbling skeletons of failed miniature golf.

2/12/2021 1:46 PM

I am against this type of commercial establishment as it does not fit with the lifestyle and type of place Kiawah is meant to be. I also am concerned about the over development of the island and the nearby area as it pertains to the impact on environment and wildlife that makes Kiawah so special.

2/12/2021 1:34 PM

Too much development

2/12/2021 1:22 PM

This area should remain residential. Commercial properties will increase traffic congestion and noise, decrease safety and negatively impact the rural nature of Kiawah, Seabrook and surrounding areas.

2/12/2021 1:06 PM

I am very concerned about the increased traffic congestion and safety issues that would result from this.

2/12/2021 1:05 PM

We are opposed to the proposed rezoning of the referenced property due to concerns over congestion as well as safety to the general public.

2/12/2021 12:59 PM

Continued and excessive growth on the island. People come to Kiawah and Seabrook for serenity, not mini golf.

2/12/2021 12:49 PM

Everything! Continual commercialization is destroying the ambiance of Kiawah. Traffic already is a problem and this will further magnify the problem.

2/12/2021 12:48 PM

Traffic and the negative image to the entrance for Kiawah and Seabrook Islands.

2/12/2021 12:47 PM

Too commercial and not in keeping with the natural ethos of Kiawah Island and Seabrook. I also worry about further traffic and congestion. Both islands now offer many outdoor recreational opportunities that seem more consistent with a master plan that's has tried to minimize commercial development. We came here for that reason and appreciate that it's different from other coastal resorts like Hilton Head and Myrtle Beach.

2/12/2021 12:44 PM

Kiawah is not Myrtle Beach. Kiawah has always been about nature and living with outdoor nature-based activities. To put a commercial recreational activity anyway on Kiawah would be devastating to the aura which is Kiawah.

2/12/2021 12:41 PM

Keep it as natural looking as possible

2/12/2021 12:39 PM

Suitability. A miniature golf course just outside Kiawah and Seabrook is a terrible idea as it does not fit with the whole natural aesthetic that attracts residents and tourists. They belong in Myrtle Beach.

2/12/2021 12:32 PM

Kiawah is special because it does not have commercial junk. The emphasis on nature and sustainability is what attracts people. This type of attraction does not belong here and will repel more people than it will attract.

2/12/2021 12:26 PM

The facility not being or kept to normal Kiawah/Seabrook standards. People from outside Kiawah/Seabrook coming to the island and creating more traffic and other issues.

2/12/2021 12:17 PM

- increasing traffic on the roads towards Kiawah - commercialization that will lead to a degradation of the exclusivity of the island

2/12/2021 12:14 PM

1. Making it look like Myrtle Beach or 278 into Hilton Head. Not the aesthetic that drove us away from Hilton Head. 2. Traffic congestion. 3. True viability of the business during off peak seasons. Full time residents on Kiawah and Seabrook demographic does not support these type of businesses. The applicant would be better served moving back into John's Island, namely Maybank Highway corridor

2/12/2021 12:12 PM

The corridor has limited commercial uses and my opinion is that property should remain residential zoning. This would open up other potential applications if the Re-zoning is approved. If approval is granted, it should be conditioned upon adequate traffic control (Decel/accel lanes), landscape buffers, signage/lighting restrictions on hours of operation limits, noise factors, and architectural/site plan design considerations for the community.

2/12/2021 12:12 PM

increased traffic, lowering of quality of life, future development concerns, decrease of property values, unwanted noise and lights and signage

2/12/2021 12:09 PM

increased road usage and entry

2/12/2021 12:03 PM

Traffic, aesthetics, tacky development! NO NO NO NO. I feel quite strongly about this.

2/12/2021 12:01 PM

Going from residential to commercial zoning.

2/12/2021 11:58 AM

increased traffic which is a safety concern potential for additional recreation destination sites if zoning permits one

2/12/2021 11:29 AM

I am opposed to the miniature golf facility. The Kiawah/Seabrook area has enough traffic issues, and this facility would only cause more traffic from surrounding areas to come to the islands. More importantly, in keeping with the character of Kiawah/Seabrook areas - their missions are for more natural surroundings, a mini golf is not within those character parameters. Mini golf is a retail establishment that is for entertaining, bringing a different type of commercialism to an already established natural island setting. Third, it sets a precedent that this area is open for retail entertainment such as go-karting or trampoline establishments to consider building in the area. Thank you.

2/12/2021 11:05 AM

Managing traffic.

2/12/2021 10:58 AM

Everything! Traffic, culture, eviscerating the Kiawah brand and reputation by turning Kiawah into Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head by adding neon laden roadside attractions, elimination of property for classier uses consistent with the community and on and on.

2/12/2021 10:41 AM

The traffic and maintaining Kiawah as an oasis of wild life. We DO NOT need a put put. It doesn't fit the island and we don't want it to feel like all the other beach towns. It would ruin what makes Kiawah so unique

2/12/2021 10:21 AM

Traffic on a road that cannot handle the current traffic and the current amount of accidents keeps rising.

2/12/2021 10:13 AM

Excess traffic, light and noise pollution, and flooding issues

2/12/2021 10:05 AM

I feel that it doesn't fit the environment.

2/12/2021 9:11 AM

Eyesore, will not blend with the surrounding environment, light pollution from high intensity overhead lights, runoff pollution from large impermeable services, litter from food and beverage packaging and food waste, likelihood of future abandonment with no restoration of the site to its natural state, overall degradation of Johns Island, Kiawah and Seabrook environment and ambiance.

2/11/2021 11:48 PM

Of concern are: the increased traffic on Bohicket Road (where traffic is already excessive and accidents are "fairly" commonplace), the use of the land for a commercial venture when commercial ventures such as restaurants/shopping come and go in Bohicket Marina/Freshfields (even in pre-COVID times), the significant change in aesthetic character to the property from its residential zoning to commercial zoning, the potential for significant light and noise pollution at the entrance to Kiawah and Seabrook Islands and the potential effect on wildlife, and I suspect that like other commercial entities in Freshfields/Bohicket Marina, a mini-golf course would be terribly underutilized in the off season prompting the owners to look for other sources of revenue (promotions, different business models, etc) that may be even less desirable than mini-golf. With development and parking, the area may face further water runoff issues. Have environmental studies been performed? As another Kiawah resident has already stated, "The owner previously sought a zoning change for the property to allow the building of the miniature golf course. At the hearing, the recommendations of the commission were made available. These materials confirmed that the zoning board had reviewed the request for a change of zoning and issued reports that the change was inconsistent with the current uses approved for the area. Those materials should be obtained and reviewed. At the prior hearing, when it became apparent that the request would be denied, the board allowed it to be withdrawn by the owner. Since that time there has been no material change in circumstances which should allow the board to retreat from its prior findings and conclusions." Thank you, Scott Koch 3513 Shipwatch Rd KI, SC 29455

2/11/2021 9:53 PM

Traffic, noise pollution, lights, impact on the environment

2/11/2021 8:47 PM

Lights on late at night. Undesirables showing up in numbers just to have a place to hang out. An added problem for our security to keep their patrons from spilling over to Kiawah. People who chose Kiawah did not want another Hilton Head. What would be next a giant Ferris wheel?

2/11/2021 8:32 PM

Traffic and diminished property values.

2/11/2021 8:03 PM

aesthetics, traffic, neighborhood ambiance

2/11/2021 6:21 PM

Traffic, detracts from natural environment which is a priority around Kiawah, too commercialized appearance, lights, noise

2/11/2021 5:56 PM

That sort of business would create noise, traffic, and light pollution problems. It goes against all the branding Kiawah Island has worked so hard to develop and protect, and would be harmful to property owners.

2/11/2021 5:54 PM

Keep KI focused on beach, family, golf, tennis.... we don't want to plant the seeds for a Myrtle Beach environment.

2/11/2021 5:08 PM

Over populate the island with tourists

2/11/2021 4:46 PM

Traffic is the biggest problem. Also, the overall feel of Kiawah will be diminished with a mini golf. It is not in keeping with the kiawah life style.

2/11/2021 4:38 PM

(1) increased traffic; and (2) effect of bright night lighting on nearby wildlife

2/11/2021 4:13 PM

This is a terrible idea. It takes away from the natural beauty of the area, makes traffic even worse and is too commercialized

2/11/2021 3:57 PM

This is not in keeping with the natural environment we bought a home here for. Will bring too much traffic to an already dangerous road.

2/11/2021 3:57 PM

Traffic, aesthetic, property values

2/11/2021 3:52 PM

Traffic, noise and light pollution

2/11/2021 3:30 PM

traffic; take away from the beauty of island

2/11/2021 3:29 PM

None. Traffic is already troublesome, and not being properly addressed. We need FUN activities for the entire family, and IMO activities like these will be AWESOME for us all! Come on, let's live in the edge have a mini golf activity for multi generations of family.

2/11/2021 3:25 PM

Traffic both in and out. Will bring the flavor of a circus to our area. Families visiting Kiawah should focus on the natural family life style and nature on Kiawah not this type of commercial activity. Not needed and if it fails we have a big eye sore on our entrance.

2/11/2021 3:21 PM

There are plenty of opportunities for golf on and near the island. I don't feel this is the type of golf I'd want to see entering the circle. Also, I feel it will cause traffic issues on any already crowded roadway that is the only access to/from the island.

2/11/2021 3:20 PM

This is land in the Kiawah watershed better preserved undeveloped to reduce density of development, protect the watershed and eliminate the possibility of more traffic on that section of Betsy Kerrison.

2/11/2021 3:03 PM

Traffic, density of Johns Island. security

2/11/2021 2:54 PM

Increased traffic to this area of the island.

2/11/2021 2:30 PM

Artificial Lighting and commercialization Congestion and traffic

2/11/2021 2:26 PM

Increased traffic/congestion, diminished area aesthetics, reduction in property values.

2/11/2021 2:21 PM

None, it's a fine idea. All family-oriented ventures should be facilitated by the government.

2/11/2021 1:50 PM

I am not interested in seeing the approach to our island turning into something more appropriate to Myrtle Beach.

2/11/2021 1:17 PM

Don't need. Don't want.

2/11/2021 1:10 PM

Commercialization of the surrounding causing a honkey-tonk atmosphere for guests and visitors!

2/11/2021 12:49 PM

Inconsistent change

2/11/2021 12:39 PM

GLOBAL: INCREASED TRAFFIC CONGESTION, INCREASED COMMERCIALISM, INCREASED/INFLUX/SWELLING OF NON RESIDENTIAL POPULATION, DECREASED NATURAL RESOURCES, INCREASED NOISE, AIR, & LIGHT POLLUTION, STRAIN ON EXISTING/SURROUNDING INFRASTRUCTURE, DOWN RIGHT TACKY-HELLO MYRTLE BEACH!

2/11/2021 12:38 PM

Unsightly and commercial at an natural, attractive place, giving an aura of cheapness. Increased traffic. You have got to be kidding. There is no way we should have that kind of commercial establishment, which is totally opposite from the natural look and feel of the area, at that location.

2/11/2021 11:32 AM

Disruptive to the neighborhood

2/11/2021 11:08 AM

Additional traffic, environmental issues, flooding concerns and de-valuation of property.

2/11/2021 10:58 AM

Traffic and commercial change to area

2/11/2021 10:52 AM

This is a horrible spot for traffic and increasing activity such as this mini golf use will bring in an unsafe amount of traffic. The road system can hardly handle the amount of traffic currently on the roads. This will only cause more congestion and a potential for serious accidents. This is a bottleneck for traffic as residents and workers go back ad forth to their homes and jobs and with only one way in and one way out

it will be a traffic nightmare! This type of business needs to be located where there is greater road access as it will be bringing people from all over the Charleston area. Please do not approve this rezoning!

2/11/2021 10:00 AM

Changing property to commercial use sets an unwanted precedent. Site is in a poor location. It is a hazardous entry and exit site which will bring more accidents and traffic especially during peak tourist times. Development does not fit with the concepts of the community.

2/11/2021 9:55 AM

Although mini-golf is harmless and entertaining, the idea of destroying the natural area for honky tonk is unsettling. If it does happen, I would hope there would be some restrictions regarding low lighting and significant landscaping and long term maintenance requirements put into place.

2/11/2021 9:48 AM

not consistent with the residential feel of this area

2/11/2021 9:37 AM

Too crowded in the summer. Deserted in the winter and not money producing. Upsets the "look" of our area and the wildlife.

2/11/2021 9:35 AM

Traffic, aesthetics/goes against what Kiawah/Seabrook represent, noise, dislike of mini golf, overcrowding overflow into Freshfields

2/11/2021 9:19 AM

Traffic congestion and unnecessary trashy parasitic development that will diminish the aesthetics of our community.

2/11/2021 9:10 AM

I am not at all concerned. I feel that opposition suggesting additional traffic and the draw of undesirable population to be absurd. How wonderful to have another place to take your family on a cloudy day!

2/11/2021 9:04 AM

This will create even more traffic in an area already challenged in that regard. It is also not in the character of the surrounding environment. This development could also have a detrimental impact on property values on Johns Island and KI and Seabrook. We don't need more commercial development on Johns Island at this time.

2/11/2021 9:04 AM

the demographic characteristics of lifestyle and population in the area does not lend to the proposed commercialism

2/11/2021 8:54 AM

Traffic

2/11/2021 8:41 AM

To me, this is not a Kiawah concern. It is not on our property. I guess some feel that they don't want to drive by a mini golf on the way to Kiawah, but that area is fairly commercial already. I am saying I support it mainly because I don't oppose it.

2/11/2021 8:23 AM

Everything. This development would set a precedent that we could not recover from and would start the ball rolling on turning our community into a Myrtle Beach/Hilton Head type of area. More traffic, more accidents on Bohicket, destroying the natural beauty of the area. I don't want to be near development...that is why we have property here. This will open doors for others to change the zoning and put in more and more until our road looks like Folly Beach Road. No thank you. I could see something like this closer into Charleston, to be honest, but not here. Please don't allow this.

2/11/2021 8:22 AM

I don't want to see kiawah getting junked up. Kiawah is a special place and the reason to go to kiawah is to enjoy nature and just be there.

2/11/2021 8:15 AM

BKP is a drag way as it is, an entry/exit point to the Mini Golf in this area just as cars leaving the Island take off from the roundabout & accelerate by the turn in the Town Bldg area is an added danger, how would inbound cars turn into this area? There are beautiful trees on the median by resurrection road. Seeing how cars shoot out of Kiawah River Estates to cross over to the inbound lane is a prime example. Those interested in this project need to ride BKP in rush hour daily. Mini Golf is a great idea but the location is a poor choice.

2/11/2021 7:51 AM

Not on keeping with the natural feel of Kiawah sea room and John's island.

2/11/2021 7:49 AM

Traffic Traffic Traffic

2/11/2021 7:16 AM

Traffic, inappropriate garish commercial use at the islands entry

2/11/2021 6:53 AM

Commercial development in that area.

2/11/2021 6:46 AM

Increased traffic and pedestrian safety, lack of conformity with natural surroundings, detrimental effect on market values.

2/11/2021 5:56 AM

Safety issues. Betsey Kerrison is currently very unsafe and adding a mini Goff at that location will compound the issue. Get a Sheriff's department POV.

2/11/2021 5:55 AM

It creates a commercial touristy feel which could diminish the overall image that Kiawah is known for. And we feel it heads down a path of allowing other potentially less than attractive businesses moving in as well.

2/10/2021 10:49 PM

massively increased traffic beyond the scope of residents living there -increased demand for parking, therefore more paved spaces and impervious arguments/stormwater runoff, etc. -light pollution if it were open at night? (developer could surely work around this one) -increased density in general which this area is already struggling to handle.

2/10/2021 10:45 PM

Traffic congestion. Night lights and noise.

2/10/2021 10:28 PM

Rezoning the property adjacent to the Municipal Center to allow a miniature golf facility. I believe that the drive from the mainland to the Island is presently sparsely populated with commercial real estate. One of the drawing cards of Kiawah is the bucolic environment as opposed to Hilton Head which has a significant amount of commercial properties. I believe that this re-zoning would lead to increased such use of properties and diminish the flavor of Kiawah and Seabrook. We live in an area with natural beauty which should not be sullied by a miniature golf course or any such facility.

2/10/2021 10:13 PM

Traffic concerns Noise and Lighting

2/10/2021 10:04 PM

traffic, traffic, traffic It is not an appropriate location just outside of natural and non-commercial Kiawah Island. Time to quit allowing any kind of building until there is infrastructure to support traffic!

2/10/2021 9:58 PM

Traffic pattern; additional congestion to the roads; aesthetics ..don't want that look prior to the entry to our Islands, very bright light at night effecting wild life, noise level, the county turned down a real estate firm from building an office building there some years ago. Can't believe this can even be considered. Our families come here to decompress and leave all that behind. We offer a unique life style. Would very much like to keep things as they are

2/10/2021 9:56 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 9:47 PM

Environmental and conservation concerns

2/10/2021 9:25 PM

Traffic, potential for additional water issues due to more paving/impervious covering, safety, not in keeping with our residential area

2/10/2021 9:25 PM

Traffic safety, miniature golf and future amusement possibility is not the best landmark gateway to Freshfields.

2/10/2021 9:20 PM

General construction location, esthetics, lighting, traffic and noise.

2/10/2021 9:14 PM

It is totally out of character with the surrounding area. Inappropriate use of that land.

2/10/2021 9:07 PM

Zoning that leads to more commercial enterprises that compromises the environment of Kiawah. We are not Myrtle Beach or even Hilton Head

2/10/2021 8:52 PM

Over-touristing the area needlessly. Little or no "give back" to local community. Increased traffic.

2/10/2021 8:09 PM

The traffic in the area is dreadful now. Add in traffic for water sports and mini golf and it will destroy the already precarious ecosystem in that area. I am also concerned about flooding rains creating a big run off problem.

2/10/2021 8:01 PM

Environmental concerns

2/10/2021 8:00 PM

Traffic congestion Traffic safety Light pollution Future rezoning issues if this becomes a precedent

2/10/2021 7:53 PM

Decreased property values. Dangerous bicycle corridor to that location. Generally against zoning changes; there is a reason the location received its current designation.

2/10/2021 7:45 PM

Not appropriate for this location. I strongly oppose

2/10/2021 7:45 PM

Traffic. Noise and light pollution.

2/10/2021 7:33 PM

Increased traffic and appropriateness of mini-golf for area.

2/10/2021 7:16 PM

Traffic and loss of habitat potential.

2/10/2021 7:06 PM

Don't want it near Kiawah if truly for all of John's island not mainly tourists it should be built near Maybank highway. We are not Hilton Head Kiawah and Seabrook are about nature.

2/10/2021 7:02 PM

This does not fit the character of the area. In addition it would exacerbate an already challenging traffic issue that we have in the area and could be a detriment to property values in that part of Johns Island and also on Kiawah and Seabrook Islands. Lets not turn John's Island into Myrtle Beach or even Hilton Head for that matter.

2/10/2021 7:00 PM

Appearance, increased traffic, precedent for similar businesses in that area.

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This is not an appropriate development for the entrance to Kiawah and Seabrook islands

2/10/2021 6:50 PM

Traffic. Turning Kiawah into Hilton Head

2/10/2021 6:38 PM

TRAFFIC!

2/10/2021 6:37 PM

Traffic, unwanted increase in visitors, lighting, commercialization outside of Freshfields.

2/10/2021 6:36 PM

I think it will cheapen the area. It will become a Friday and Saturday night hang out for teenagers. But most importantly it a very dangerous location regarding traffic and speeding. Three people were recently killed in the same area and I am convinced that if this goes in where indicated they'll be more deaths to come as a result of people entering or exiting the miniature golf location. I would not want that on my conscious so therefore I am against this proposal.

2/10/2021 6:36 PM

Too commercial. Is Kiawah to become Myrtle Beach. Vote no!!!

2/10/2021 6:31 PM

the social activity of mini golf should close to the audience that seeks mini golf. Often in areas that are easier to drive to than the proposed location. The proposed land is very valuable, many other profitable uses for that better align to needs .

2/10/2021 6:30 PM

We do not need this mini golf project. It would destroy the culture and feel of Kiawah.., and make us too commercial,

2/10/2021 6:29 PM

This type of development will undermine the culture of Kiawah which is focused on nature and protecting the environment.

2/10/2021 6:22 PM

I think the local neighbors will be impacted adversely , with the proximity to there properties . Noise , lights ,and having a commercial business in their rural residential neighborhood .

2/10/2021 6:17 PM

I'm aware that I'm in the minority, but I actually think a putt putt that blends with the environment would be a nice addition to Kiawah, since the area is known as a golf resort.

2/10/2021 6:13 PM

I would like to assure that the facility is done tastefully and without a whole lot of signage. Otherwise, I think the presence of a mini-golf course would add a pleasant amenity for my family and me.

2/10/2021 6:11 PM

Sewer. Traffic. Noise. Litter

2/10/2021 6:07 PM

It is inconsistent with any forms of outdoor activities found on or near Kiawah and Seabrook. And it creates the foundation for justifying more commercialization on this end of John's Island. Where is that line drawn? If people want that sort of entertainment, send them to Myrtle Beach. That's what their reputation is built around, not ours.

2/10/2021 5:59 PM

Increased traffic flow on an already dangerous road, too much commercial development, light pollution, further degradation of the character of Johns Island/Kiawah approach

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Road safety

2/10/2021 5:52 PM

The image of this type of entertainment devalues the prestige of the Kiawah Resort.

2/10/2021 5:52 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 5:36 PM

Turning it into single family housing.Not a good idea

2/10/2021 5:35 PM

My main issue is with people who have a negative opinion of this development without fairly understanding the benefit of this development of property. People need to understand that the people involved with this property are local, have the best interest of local property owners in mind, and the creation of a very thought out planned leisure activity for John's Island, Seabrook Island, and Kiawah Island residents and visitors of all ages. This would be a welcome and tasteful addition to the property in question for many many people. There is a lot of bad misinformation out there against this development without the fair input of the developer. People need to understand that commercialization will take place on Bohicket Rd regardless if this is voted either way. I vote to let the developer of this property develop it as planned. People need to actually look at the plans before casting negative concerns.

2/10/2021 5:35 PM

I think a putt putt GC is inconsistent with the classiest of Kiawah Island.

2/10/2021 5:21 PM

Traffic , and the honky think look of mini golf.

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Carnival atmosphere vs Natural Environment

2/10/2021 5:10 PM

Traffic clutter and overall negative impact a large putt putt facility will have on the natural environment that makes the area so special.

2/10/2021 4:56 PM

Traffic, losing the natural beauty of the area to tacky commercial businesses.

2/10/2021 4:55 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 4:43 PM

Do not want putt putt. Does not compliment the rural surroundings and it would open up opportunities for more tourists attractions that do not fit in with John's island rural culture. Keep it rural and pleasant. Quality of life is why we moved out to John's island. If we want putt putt etc. we can go to Myrtle beach. Not here please

2/10/2021 4:39 PM

Here is a copy of the email I sent County Council re this matter: I am writing in strong opposition to the proposed rezoning of property located at 4455 Betsy Kerrison Parkway from R-4 to a planned development permitting a variety of commercial and amusement ventures including construction of a 36 hole miniature golf course. My husband and I are permanent residents of Kiawah Island since 2002 and have been active in our community since that time. There are so very many reasons to reject this proposal it is hard to focus on just a few. That said, here are my major concerns: There are a variety of "plans" created over the years to guide the development of Johns Island - the Johns Island Community Plan, the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan, etc. Rezoning this parcel now, from R-4 to allow commercial development as proposed is - quite simply - spot zoning. And once that first parcel is rezoned it becomes so much easier to approve the next request of its kind. Rezoning this parcel clearly undermines any long range plan/effort to keep the area rural. Right turn only traffic is a laudable plan but without redesigning Betsy Kerrison, difficult to enforce. Will left turns still be permitted into the KI Municipal Center adjacent to this site or will all traffic along this stretch of roadway be funneled to and around the roundabout? If "One of the principal goals of the planned development is to preserve the school house," as stated in the proposal, funneling all this mini golf foot traffic through it for an unrelated, commercial purpose is simply wrong. A clear case could be made that the proposed use desecrates the local history and original purpose of the structure. While the idea of partnering with local charities initially sounds good, it is an idea that could easily be interpreted as an attempt to buy community support. While I have not seen any public support for this rezoning from the charities, I cannot help but wonder whether some local property owners might have not written in opposition because of the applicant's promise to donate to their favorite charity. I note the partnership is operative only during the off season when revenues are low and there are no guarantees that this partnership/financial obligation would be long term or transfer to subsequent owners of the facility. The fear that such an enterprise could potentially impact the ambiance or character of this corner of Johns Island, while emotional, is real. Once we turn that corner, there is no going back. I urge you to vote NO on this proposal. Diane Z. Lehder 306 Palm Warbler Kiawah Island

2/10/2021 4:38 PM

Preserving the tranquil nature of the island and surroundings and the added traffic to an already very back up entrance and exit to the island.

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Unnecessary increase in traffic in an area already suffering from increased traffic for something that is unneeded in that area. Also, significant harm to wildlife that has already been harmed by the new municipal building.

2/10/2021 4:37 PM

Do not want to turn the area into a "Myrtle Beach" atmosphere.

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Primarily, traffic is my concern with this proposed project bringing an unnecessary extra amount of cars in an already tight space. As we have seen, when there is an accident in either direction, traffic flow stops completely on and off the island. This could be done closer to River/Maybank/Folly, and easily serve the same community users with far less impact of traffic. Additionally, I do not personally feel the commercial mini-golf is an amenity in line with the Kiawah/Seabrook reputation. There are far more appropriate recreational activities besides mini-golf!

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Increased traffic The increase of more commercial properties, which takes away the natural vegetation and wildlife.

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Traffic. Not a beneficial use. Not in keeping with the ambiance of Kiawah and Seabrook.

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Johns Island is a rural community with limited resources including roads to handle traffic congestion, Fire and Police and Schools. This proposal would result in an increased residential density that would have an adverse impact on the overall community.

2/10/2021 4:25 PM

I think it's not in keeping with the other property's in this area. They should go to a more commercial area

2/10/2021 4:18 PM

It does not fit into Kiawah Island's unique plan. Also, traffic and congestion is already a problem on Kiawah and Johns Island - It just adds another unpleasant element.

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start of a downhill slide. more traffic which is terrible NOW!!!!

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Traffic flow, congestion and accidents. Unneeded development which just adds stress to the environment. It just doesn't fit with the Kiawah ideals of environment and wildlife.

2/10/2021 4:07 PM

The traffic that will increase around the circle due to the restrictions of entering and exiting. Also prefer to maintain the private natural nature of Kiawah. This venue will commercialize Kiawah. Too close to the island.

2/10/2021 4:02 PM

Turning our beautiful island into Hilton Head. More traffic. Invites other commercial ventures

2/10/2021 3:58 PM

Access/egress of the site where road use is already heavy. Appearance of miniature golf is inconsistent with property in the area.

2/10/2021 3:58 PM

Traffic and crowds.

2/10/2021 3:57 PM

Traffic congestion and the commercialism brought to our beautiful natural island

2/10/2021 3:49 PM

Please, no tacky mini golf. I don't know a soul who would play this. This is solely for renters. NO!

2/10/2021 3:48 PM

I have no issues with the mini-golf. I think it would add to the aesthetics on Betsy Kerrison Parkway and be a great family fun zone.

2/10/2021 3:46 PM

More of greenery and character will disappear. The proposed zoning will bring too many cars and people into the area and it will become noisy and crowded and bring a feeling of "cheap vacation spot" to an area that's known for its beauty and spectacular waterways, as well as its preservation of native flora and fauna.

2/10/2021 3:44 PM

Increased traffic at a particularly bad spot, zoning change can be applied to other areas currently restricted, increased noise, minimal value to residents the vast majority of whom do not have children

2/10/2021 3:42 PM

The additional traffic this or any development allowing large groups of people/multiple vehicles is a serious safety issue. Many accidents and near-ones have occurred there already! Increased volume will only make this worse. This area is too close to the circle for such a development. It will also pull more traffic to Fresh Fields and the small/narrow roads cannot accommodate more traffic. It can already be dicey on a busy day or night with so many large vehicles - trucks and SUVs- that are common. We live here full time and have seen the changes with more development over the years already. The roads can't handle more.

2/10/2021 3:42 PM

I have concerns with traffic safety going in and out...

2/10/2021 3:41 PM

The use is inappropriate for the site and the area. Increased traffic at a high speed part of the road (50mph) being one of the reasons. The planned use seems to me to be inconsistent with the quiet residential nature of the surrounding acres. Please reject.

2/10/2021 3:38 PM

Added traffic on an already dangerously busy road. Noise and light pollution. Opens the door for other development - go carts, fast food, water park, etc. We do NOT want to become Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head.

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cheapens the area by making us a "Myrtle Beach", will be unpleasant to look at at night with lights and noise, and will create some major traffic problems

2/10/2021 3:33 PM

More cars coming out on an already overcrowded road. People using the round-about to have easier access into the property since there really is no turn lane into it. Lights no matter what type they use, they are still going to be bright. Kiawah and Seabrook are all about family time in a natural setting. Most people come here to escape the commercialization of so many beach towns now. Do we all really want this to be the first thing we see now right before we get to our beautiful islands? Our islands have survived all these years without this sort of entertainment for families. We have so many wonderful amenities here that actually allow children to be children. We do not need Putt Putt.

2/10/2021 3:32 PM

Traffic.

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I oppose a commercial enterprise at that location, the additional traffic and the esthetics of a miniature golf course that close to the entrance to Kiawah and Seabrook.

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The additional traffic it will Bring

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Do not want that type of commercial recreation so close to the island.

2/10/2021 3:22 PM

Exactly the absence of this type of business that drove me to purchase a home on Kiawah ten years ago. I am totally against this venture.

2/10/2021 3:19 PM

We do not want more traffic brought to the area

2/10/2021 3:19 PM

Too commercial and "in your face"- more Myrtle Beach style - DEFINITELY NOT Kiawah's style of understated elegance and refinement.

2/10/2021 3:18 PM

Traffic

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I oppose the rezoning of the land.

2/10/2021 3:14 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 3:10 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 3:10 PM

Trashy like myrtle beach. We are here to get away from ALL that!!

2/10/2021 3:10 PM

It is an environmental endangered area where there is already too much development. It will also cause more traffic. It is not needed or wanted here.

2/10/2021 3:10 PM

None

2/10/2021 3:08 PM

A miniature golf course welcoming guests and residents at the entrance to Kiawah downgrades the upscale first class community that Kiawah Island. We are not Myrtle Beach, Atlantic City, Point Pleasant, Asbury Park, et al. The needs and desires of residents and owners need to come before a children's side show, we have many parks on island. Don't degrade Kiawah and destroy value of our homes with a small carnival ... what will come next?

2/10/2021 3:07 PM

None other than proper land management and protection of the environment. An attractively constructed, well maintained, and family friendly miniature golf course outside our gates would do no harm to Kiawah Island, would probably benefit the community outside our gate, and be another add-on attraction to golfers. I would much rather have something like this as opposed to many other potential uses.

2/10/2021 3:06 PM

Traffic and overdevelopment of Johns Island

2/10/2021 3:05 PM

Traffic, first and foremost. Additionally, if I'd wanted a home with amusement park activities I would have purchased a place in Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head.

2/10/2021 3:03 PM

Traffic volume and making turns through the median to access and depart the property. That specific commercial use does not fit in the neighborhood and certainly not adjacent to Town hall.

2/10/2021 3:03 PM

While having mini golf might be a great source of entertainment for visitors it will only bring further distress to full time homeowners who travel Betsy Kerrison daily, we do not need the added traffic on these roads, the area the mini golf is proposed is a dangerous area to get in an out of, how are people coming on Island going to left into and the same coming out into traffic. Have we not learned anything from the most recent accident with the homeowner from Kiawah Island Estates further down the road, for those that don't know the man was clipped by a commercial vehicle and decapitated right before Christmas. How many more homeowners, visitors and workers do we need to loose on these roads before we improve our instructor before bringing more traffic to the area. Encouraging this to our area only entices more of the same business types, a door like this once opened can not be closed. I'm sorry Mr Todd is a good person, with a big heart & bright ideas but please see the big picture.

2/10/2021 3:03 PM

Traffic is number 1; such an attraction is not conducive to Kiawah Island and is antithetical to why I bought my home on the Island.

2/10/2021 3:00 PM

None. The proposal seems reasonable, and we really need activities for our young people.

2/10/2021 2:58 PM

Zoning change would open up a whole "can of worms."

2/10/2021 2:54 PM

None. It is on Johns Island, not Kiawah. While we have a wonderful beach and nature activities here, other than high priced resort offerings, there is not much for young people to do. I would really enjoy the mini-golf with our grandchildren.

2/10/2021 2:53 PM

Junking up our environmentally beautiful area with commercial attractions. We do not want to be the next Myrtle Beach!

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Additional traffic

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Traffic

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Mini-golf is completely out of character with the area. Further a PUD is too permissive and should be denied flat out. Tastefully designed single family DU's would be far better option.

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Aesthetics's of natural setting and wildlife concern

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Traffic, too commercial, leads to other tourist type attractions

2/10/2021 2:47 PM

We do not want mini golf

2/10/2021 2:45 PM

I sent concerns to Char County. My issue is traffic, but more important is this does not support the Johns Island community's effort to remain rural , support local farms etc and seems to go against the Johns Island zoning long range plan which was limiting urbanization to Maybank highway area. Also don't want Johns Island or Charlesto County to become a Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head. We should protect the island culture

2/10/2021 2:44 PM

Traffic, not appropriate for the area.

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Parking eg no queuing on main road

2/10/2021 2:42 PM

Noise, lights, traffic congestion, MORE people in this area. This beautiful natural area does not want a Putt Putt golf course. Relocate this to a very commercialized area...like Savannah Hwy.

2/10/2021 2:42 PM

Traffic, safety, atmosphere (a putt-putt golf is the antithesis of the Kiawah lifestyle).

2/10/2021 2:41 PM

Traffic, increased congestion, and not really an appropriate use for that area in my opinion. Kiawah Island Resident

2/10/2021 2:40 PM

This is no place for such a commercial endeavor. The uniqueness of the untroubled quiet and harmony with nature in the Kiawah/Seabrook area should be preserved. A putt putt facility does little to enhance our community and in fact, jeopardizes what makes this area special and unique. This area is not Hilton Head and surely not Myrtle Beach and we should not allow ourselves to become anything like those communities. Both Hilton Head and Myrtle Beach do a marvelous job of serving those interested in putt putt facilities.

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Potential for commercial development inconsistent with the area's focus on nature and natural beauty.

2/10/2021 2:37 PM

The increase in traffic. The change in environment--fought against 525 to maintain rural community and there is nothing rural about mini-golf.

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I do not support a miniature golf facility in this area. I think it would negatively impact our community.

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Outsiders coming in

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We also oppose the increase in density under a PUD zoning.

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Traffic would be dangerous at that location. It would be a BIG mistake to open this land to that type of use.

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I don't want my community to look like Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 2:25 PM

Traffic/ Accidents Not in keeping with the area

2/10/2021 2:24 PM

None

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Johns island/Kiawah/Seabrook are not conducive to a business of this nature. Area should remain ecologically pristine. During the off season it will sit unused. The area is not Frankie's Fun Park, Blackbeard's Cove nor Myrtle Beach.

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None

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This project is not at all in line with Kiawah's description of itself as "An oasis of untouched natural beauty and renowned hospitality for those seeking a retreat into adventure and luxury ... perfectly preserved maritime forests, sand dunes, and marshes where turtles, whitetail deer, and seabirds abound. " In addition, the negative environmental impact and additional traffic on an already overburdened road are additional compelling reasons to deny this proposal.

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Bad spot for entertainment venue that can bring unwanted crowds and traffic.

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The traffic from John and James Island. I don't want to have live at "Myrtle Beach South"

2/10/2021 2:11 PM

Property values, traffic, lighting

2/10/2021 2:11 PM

Traffic, accidents, more things to come... we do not need miniature golf at Kiawah. We have some many other things kids / families can do.

2/10/2021 2:11 PM

It sets a dangerous precedent. There is no control over what it will look like. The last thing the Kiawah Community needs is to have an "amusement" park at the entrance to the island. It defeats the ambience that has been painstakingly created.

2/10/2021 2:09 PM

After having moved to Kiawah from Hilton Head due to the creeping commercialism of that island, I am very concerned the same could be happening here. Adding a putt putt is tantamount to sacrificing the unique quality, inherent beauty, and natural environment of the island to commercialism that will not only send property values down, but destroy the unique quality of Kiawah, cause flight to more desirable (i.e. less commercial) locations, and impact an already overtaxed and sometimes treacherous traffic pattern.

2/10/2021 2:03 PM

Traffic!!! Tacky!!! Not in keeping with the spirit of our beautiful islands. Even our shopping area has charm. There's no way to make putt putt charming!!!! But mostly it's traffic traffic traffic!

2/10/2021 2:02 PM

Overdevelopment of John's Island. The roads cannot support all the development that is currently happening. With all this development comes the need for more pavement for parking and therefore more water runoff - and water and rising levels in this area is critical to understand and make sure we don't loose "land" that can absorb the water. Noise and Light pollution. what draws people to John's Island is that it is NOT a Myrtle Beach filled with strip malls and no open land for flora and fauna. I worry about developing every inch of land. I do not believe there is enough of a population to support this venture and that will draw people from closer to Charleston which will result in more accidents, more crowding on already overcrowded roads. There are many more places more appropriate for the location of a putt=putt golf than right by the waterfront. It is a slippery slope when you agree to change the land use for a location - how do you keep this from continuing? PLEASE do NOT approve this change.

2/10/2021 2:01 PM

There is nothing of this kind on the way in to Kiawah and Seabrook Islands. We have family run farm stands and small businesses, but no "amusement" type venues. In fact, there is nothing like this on Johns Island either. We feel this sets a dangerous precedent for expanding into this type of concession, and that amusement venues are totally opposed to what the sea islands in this area represent.

2/10/2021 1:53 PM

Appearance, traffic, effect on Kiawah brand

2/10/2021 1:52 PM

Keep the zoning as is.

2/10/2021 1:51 PM

TRAFFIC ON BOHICKET ROAD IS DREADFUL, AND GETTING WORSE, ALREADY

2/10/2021 1:51 PM

Inappropriate, traffic

2/10/2021 1:51 PM

A miniature golf...really!!! There goes the neighborhood, as they say

2/10/2021 1:50 PM

There's already enough traffic and accidents on Betsy Kerrison and Bohicket without inviting another possible & potential traffic problem to occur.

2/10/2021 1:49 PM

Traffic congestion and the degradation of the natural environment we love about the area.

2/10/2021 1:47 PM

Too much density already. Excessive lot coverage contributes to flooding. Infrastructure concerns: Our roads can't handle the load they have now

2/10/2021 1:44 PM

This is not an appropriate business model for existing area but rather a business that is doomed to fail.

2/10/2021 1:44 PM

Changes the character of that part of Johns Island.

2/10/2021 1:36 PM

Traffic density, paved areas for parking = water runoff problems, ambient light at night and it would bring too many "off island" people to our already crowded sea islands. Please, NO mini golf! If we wanted mini golf we would have purchased a beach home in Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head. We bought in Kiawah 26 years ago because we were attracted to the natural beauty and quiet nature of the island. Mini golf would change the very character of Johns Island, for the worse.

2/10/2021 1:36 PM

Commercial use of residential area will increase traffic on already busy and, often dangerous, roads. Sets precedent for other attempts to commercialize this stretch of road.

2/10/2021 1:34 PM

I believe if done correctly, this will be a positive amenity for Kiawah-Seabrook and area owners and visitors. Right now there are limited places for families to go, and certainly limited areas for kids to have fun. I understand they will be planting vegetation to shield this from view, and traffic can be properly managed there. Only allow right turns out of the driveway. Certainly, some of the more recent development plans, will have more an impact on traffic then this project would.

2/10/2021 1:34 PM

There are two things that principally concern me. The first is the prospect of not only an increased traffic burden at that location due to patrons travelling to the miniature golf facility, but the prospect of the danger presented by patrons turning into and out of the facility on a very busy highway. My second concern is the garish, carnival-like, tableau which would be presented by such an amusement center which will greet those coming onto our Island, reminiscent of the worst stretches of highways into places like Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 1:34 PM

traffic

2/10/2021 1:33 PM

Traffic, crowds, not the type of business for the area

2/10/2021 1:32 PM

A mini-golf course does not fit into the Kiawah development plan ....Kiawah is an upscale community, If I wanted a tourist venue I would of purchased somewhere else... at a fraction of the cost...

2/10/2021 1:29 PM

Traffic, viability of the business during the course of the year. General eyesore as you enter Kiawah and Seabrook. Does not support the aesthetics of the area.

2/10/2021 1:25 PM

Proximity to the Municipal Center.

2/10/2021 1:24 PM

Concern for the impact on residents bordering the property and traffic crossing the Parkway

2/10/2021 1:20 PM

Over crowding, changing the ambience of the area and traffic.

2/10/2021 1:19 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 1:17 PM

Increase in traffic on Betsy Kerrison Parkway. Negative impact to rural nature of surrounding neighborhoods.

2/10/2021 1:17 PM

Any development at the parcel to the entry of our beautiful islands should be in keeping with the aesthetic that is Kiawah and Seabrook....not amusement park themed.

2/10/2021 1:16 PM

1. The roads are busy enough as it is, even in the off season. The roads cannot handle more cars. When my neighbors and I pull out of our road, the crossover area between the lanes of traffic heading towards and away from Kiawah & Seabrook isn't even large enough to fit your vehicle in unless you pull sideways. Very dangerous. I wish this would be looked at and improved. It's a safety hazard for the residents of Hickory Hill Estates. 2. Why wouldn't a putt putt course be situated further inland and not where locals would overload the already tourist area? 3. Most likely increased crime in the area. 4. Tourists would surely venture in to the town area of Johns Island to play putt putt and visit other local eateries, etc.

2/10/2021 1:14 PM

Want property to remain natural and not commercial recreation like many other resort areas.

2/10/2021 1:12 PM

Please send a map location. I may support it if I could see the location.

2/10/2021 1:12 PM

the development will not be to the standards of the Kiawah Island Resort. This will be a negative to the rural surroundings of the area. What are the "food sales" ? Be more specific. We do not want a McDonalds!

2/10/2021 1:10 PM

The integrity of the islands will be negatively affected, traffic concerns causing back-ups, wrecks,etc. and the wear-out and deterioration of all properties around it.

2/10/2021 1:02 PM

TRAFFIC, CONGESTION, NOISE, NUMBERS OF PEOPLE, NOT APPROPRIATE FOR AREA.

2/10/2021 1:01 PM

Traffic and appearance

2/10/2021 1:00 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 12:59 PM

Traffic and rowdiness

2/10/2021 12:57 PM

Traffic

2/10/2021 12:56 PM

Traffic flow and believe this could have a negative impact ultimately for property owners on Ki and Seabrook! We have wonderful golf on Kiawah with very beautiful and world renowned courses!

2/10/2021 12:56 PM

Unappealing! and will create more traffic issues...

2/10/2021 12:55 PM

Traffic congestion as well as maintaining the putt-putt to the standards of the surrounding islands. Do not want this area to become another Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 12:54 PM

Degradation of property values; diminishment of the special nature of Kiawah and surrounding areas; slippery slope to Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 12:53 PM

Increased traffic, destruction of the fundamental beauty of the property, environmental concerns such as water run off, food/ waste, safety of the road with increased traffic and underage users of the miniature golf course. This makes the entry to Kiawah look like a local fairgrounds . It will depress not increase land values. Finally, there are many higher uses for this bucolic property.

2/10/2021 12:51 PM

Traffic safety, damage to environment, harm to wildlife, damage to local economy marketed as high end resort

2/10/2021 12:50 PM

I oppose the change in zoning (which would then allow an enterprise such as putt-putt) and am especially concerned about the effect on traffic and congestion.

2/10/2021 12:50 PM

I am not opposed to a commercial venture set back from the road, tastefully done and with appropriate parking and small food service.

2/10/2021 12:49 PM

Traffic, safety, environment....

2/10/2021 12:49 PM

The area and roads cannot support the additional traffic.

2/10/2021 12:48 PM

Traffic. And further degradation of natural environment.

2/10/2021 12:46 PM

The increase in traffic in an already dangerous area.

2/10/2021 12:44 PM

Present road Infrastructure

2/10/2021 12:43 PM

Inappropriate use of land near residential area. Traffic congestion. Dangerous temptation to ride bikes or walk along Besty Kerrison Pkwy. Attractive nuisance .

2/10/2021 12:39 PM

Not appropriate for the area.

2/10/2021 12:39 PM

Crowding, Traffic, and the fact that these amenities have no place on Johns Island.

2/10/2021 12:39 PM

Too commercial for the location of the property. Should remain residential zoned.

2/10/2021 12:38 PM

Traffic, unsightly signage, noise, excessive lighting and higher building density. Inconsistent with Kiawah and Seabrook image.

2/10/2021 12:38 PM

too much development quality of proposed facility

2/10/2021 12:36 PM

Safety, commercialism, traffic, abandonment if it doesn't take off

2/10/2021 12:36 PM

Lack of infrastructure to support.

2/10/2021 12:35 PM

Traffic/safety in an area that is already too congested. Already have several golf courses on the island - no need. Not in keeping with the natural beauty/aesthetic of Kiawah and Seabrook that we work/volunteer to preserve. Will bring in short term outside visitors who would not be invested in the area I do not want a Myrtle Beach type environment.

2/10/2021 12:33 PM

I bought my condo on Kiawah in 1986 and began living here full time in 5/2018. When I was looking for a "beach property" I considered Hilton Head, Myrtle Beach, Isle of Palms and Kiawah. I chose Kiawah because there was considered development and specifically NO putt-putt, arcades, bumper cards, etc for my kids, when they became teenagers, to want to go to without an adult. I wanted them exposed to nature, exercise, green spaces. The more natural habitats we destroy the more this beautiful area becomes like every other. It loses its discriminator. This is in addition to environmental impacts, the additional traffic in an already congested area and the potential for this venture to fail and become an eyesore (which is substantial in my opinion).

2/10/2021 12:31 PM

One of the reasons we love Kiawah is the natural setting and lack of commercial tourist activities. This does not fit into the unique aesthetic of Kiawah.

2/10/2021 12:31 PM

Increase in traffic on an already oversubscribed road, with dangerous access across traffic

2/10/2021 12:29 PM

Traffic, Incongruent with existing surrounding, Lack of support from residents

2/10/2021 12:29 PM

Increase traffic.

2/10/2021 12:28 PM

we do not want a mini golf course, with increased traffic and the ambiance it creates

2/10/2021 12:27 PM

Does not fit the character of the surrounding area. Leave the property zoned as is.

2/10/2021 12:27 PM

Increased traffic and overall tackiness of Putt Putt golf facilities. We have owned property on Kiawah since 1984 (first a condo and then in 1996 a house behind the second gate) and would never have bought property on Kiawah if a putt putt facility or anything resembling it was there. We deliberately chose Kiawah over FL or other SC communities. We are now contemplating whether Kiawah is where we want to stay. Many things have changed for the good over the years, but that era seems to be over. I would no longer encourage anyone to buy property on Kiawah. It may have one of the most beautiful beaches anywhere, but the lack of enforcement of regulations by the "Maze of Ks" has led to the continual decline in the appearance of the island. Having regulations on the books is only the first step to maintaining what used to be called a world class facility.

2/10/2021 12:26 PM

More building density, destruction of open space, commercialization of land near to Kiawah, additional traffic in an already crowded area, and safety concerns.

2/10/2021 12:26 PM

I am concerned about the traffic it would bring to the parkway. This area can already become congested without a facility such as this. The traffic it could potentially bring to Freshfields area as well - which can't handle the flow and becomes more of an issue for those walking around the streets/shops. This is going to pull people from all directions - not just Kiawah so traffic will become more than this road/area can handle. It will also create more hard space and we all value natural areas.

2/10/2021 12:24 PM

Increased traffic.

2/10/2021 12:23 PM

1. adding traffic to already dangerous, congested roads! 2. ingress/egress safety and traffic issues 3. entertainment that doesn't connect with the calm, nature focused nearby communities of Kiawah and Seabrook 4. negative effect on property values 5. lights, trash, paving needed

2/10/2021 12:22 PM

Mini-golf is absolutely not in keeping with the aesthetic of Kiawah or Seabrook Islands. I suspect the owner has an ulterior motive to try to blackmail the town into buying his parcel of land. Don't fall for it!

2/10/2021 12:21 PM

More traffic and I just do not want over commercialize the area. We purchased in kiawah for the remoteness and beauty of the area not being so congested.

2/10/2021 12:20 PM

Increased traffic volume and carnival-like development

2/10/2021 12:20 PM

I oppose the rezoning as there is insufficient planning and consideration for increased traffic flow in this area. This not just for mini-golf but for other businesses that will soon follow as the result of additional rezoning requests. I ask that the Town of Kiawah produce a traffic management and safety study before approving any rezoning in this are which will increase the flow of traffic to this area.

2/10/2021 12:20 PM

Johns Island is being over developed. Traffic issues are unbelievable and the increasing developments are devastating to the quality of life on and around Johns Island.

2/10/2021 12:20 PM

Increased traffic; storm run-off-flooding; parking, light pollution; noise pollution; potential environmental and animal hazards

2/10/2021 12:20 PM

none

2/10/2021 12:18 PM

It will not support the Johns Island community as it is a low income area and the population does not have resources for spending money on miniature golf. In addition this would cause traffic issues.

2/10/2021 12:17 PM

Traffic, light pollution, aesthetics, Not compatible with ambiance of Kiawah and Seabrook, negative impact on property values

2/10/2021 12:17 PM

The traffic on Betsy Kerrington is horrible already, along with Bohicket Rd. More and more home developments are being built. We also have the EMS station right along this route. We do not need more traffic.

2/10/2021 12:17 PM

The cheap look of a putt putt course.

2/10/2021 12:16 PM

Kiawah, Seabrook and Johns island's are truly gems of South Carolina. My opposition is simply that we do not have to be like every other vacation destination or barrier island in SC. And bringing this type of facility and the like will make us not much different than Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach and every destination in between. As new residents of Kiawah, we specifically moved here to get away from the commercialization that other areas offer. And instead allow the natural habitats to provide for entertainment for residents and visitors like golf, beach, kayaking in tidal creeks, fishing, boating, bike paths, etc. We don't have to be like other areas of the state and in fact I suggest our best asset is that we are not.

2/10/2021 12:15 PM

- Far too much traffic/congestion would be created, making coming off the roundabout much more difficult. -massively increased traffic beyond the scope of residents living here, which increases the likelihood of accidents on Betsy Kerrison (and there have been several recently WITHOUT a putt-putt course there, including a few fatalities) -increased demand for parking, therefore more paved spaces and impervious arguments/stormwater runoff, etc. and there are already flooding issues there -light pollution if it were open at night? -increased density in general which this area is already struggling to handle

2/10/2021 12:13 PM

Does not belong around Kiawah Seabrook

2/10/2021 12:13 PM

We have written previously to the Planning Commission about this issue. We feel the putt putt proposal is not in keeping with the rural feel and history of Johns Island and its people --- both of which are critically important to preserve and safeguard. In addition, we are already deeply concerned about traffic issues and vehicle as well as pedestrian accidents along Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

2/10/2021 12:12 PM

increased tourist and commercial traffic we do not need

2/10/2021 12:10 PM

Not in favor of that type of development. Traffic and appearance.

2/10/2021 12:10 PM

Commercial development in the future

2/10/2021 12:09 PM

Traffic, environmental impact

2/10/2021 12:09 PM

Increase in traffic; decrease in natural surroundings and open feel.

2/10/2021 12:08 PM

Increased traffic

2/10/2021 12:08 PM

Too much traffic without sufficient roads. Would cause more traffic congestion. Further commercializes the area and diminishes the natural beauty.

2/10/2021 12:08 PM

Traffic flow and road maintenance

2/10/2021 12:06 PM

None. Change is constant. This will be done in good taste no doubt and many will be entertained for years to come. Not all of us golf or play tennis. I hope it passes.

2/10/2021 12:05 PM

Traffic, safety and because I don't feel it's suitable for the island.

2/10/2021 12:05 PM

Density of use - traffic,etc.

2/10/2021 12:04 PM

Traffic. It doesn't suit the feel of Kiawah Island. Will open area up to more and become like Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 12:04 PM

TRAFFIC.

2/10/2021 12:04 PM

Inappropriate for the rural Johns Island look and feel. Don't want to see Kiawah and Seabrook turn into Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 12:04 PM

Downgrading of a beautiful natural setting.

2/10/2021 12:02 PM

Increased traffic, ruining the natural beauty of Kiawah and Seabrook Islands. This proposal should be rejected. This is commercial development in a residential zoned property.

2/10/2021 12:02 PM

traffic and becoming another Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 12:01 PM

make sure there is enough parking.

2/10/2021 12:01 PM

Over commercialization of John's Island

2/10/2021 12:00 PM

I have. I objection to a well done and well designed family recreation opportunity close to the island. I object to large and inappropriate signage and visual clutter along the road. To me, the water parks on the island are more objectionable, because of their high profile but no access except through the resort.

2/10/2021 12:00 PM

Noise and light pollution. More traffic . Diminution of the serenity and solitude of the area . Totally unnecessary and such entertainment can be obtained/ located on more appropriate parcels on John/James Island.

2/10/2021 11:59 AM

Increasing density at this end of John's Island; inadequate roads for the development already approved, such as area adjoining Freshfields and West Beach condos that will be built along Beachwalker Drive, not to mention all the development going in on John's Island; drainage issues at a very vulnerable part of John's Island with Haulover Creek and Berkeley Electric installation as well as evacuation in high water; dangerous part of Betsy Kerrison already, not to mention dangerous nature of Bohicket and River that would be used to access such a tourist attraction as a mini golf...at totally inappropriate land use given the area

2/10/2021 11:58 AM

-traffic congestion -that it would be done tastefully, no bright signage, -limited to a mini golf facility by law

2/10/2021 11:57 AM

None

2/10/2021 11:57 AM

Traffic and safety with more cars turning into and out off betsy kerrigan Wrong ambiance leading into kiawah- makes us look and feel like myrtle beach

2/10/2021 11:57 AM

Proposed site is immediately adjacent to several private homes. Poor business model (would have to survive on six months of business) leading to unsightly abandoned property.

2/10/2021 11:55 AM

That this is the door opener for many commercial projects that will follow. I am not against progress but I did not buy property at Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head because of the over commercialization. They should find land over at the marina.

2/10/2021 11:54 AM

Traffic, noise, congestion, lights and the increased crime this will bring to Johns Island.

2/10/2021 11:54 AM

While I would love to have mini golf in the area, I don't want it in such a small space on a road so difficult to get into and out of. Doesn't appear there will be space for ample parking++. ADN I feel for the residents -- our neighbors -- on Resurrection Road. I oppose the plot as planned.

2/10/2021 11:53 AM

None

2/10/2021 11:52 AM

Congestion on Johns Island and specifically Main & Betsy Kerrison.

2/10/2021 11:51 AM

Miniature golf although would provide entertainment for visitors, I believe it would lower the "class" of the resort. Slippery slope to Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 11:49 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:49 AM

It's just not in character with Kiawah and Seabrook. It's more Myrtle Beach and we don't need that here. Our natural beauty is what makes this place. Plus, the traffic plan of a turnaround at the circle will be a mess. I strongly urge you to reject this.

2/10/2021 11:49 AM

It should remain solely residential

2/10/2021 11:46 AM

Safety; congestion; change the character of the island.

2/10/2021 11:46 AM

Too much traffic. Ugly. Too many people driving onto Kiawah

2/10/2021 11:45 AM

Increased traffic, degradation of community reputation as a special locale.

2/10/2021 11:44 AM

Traffic, we don't need it coming into the island and it will be a nuisance for emergency vehicles.

2/10/2021 11:43 AM

Misbehaving adults and distracted and/or impaired drivers operating vehicles excessive speeding and not obeying traffic rules and conditions. This business should be able to operate lawfully just like other businesses.

2/10/2021 11:43 AM

Safety-our infrastructure cannot handle the traffic as it is today; BK Parkway turn ons/ offs are dangerous in spots now (ie. outside Oak Point Golf Course where the terrible accident was several weeks ago-and it shut down all roads) I believe there is no good solution to handle the traffic for a putt putt. Losing the natural and pristine feel of Ki- we built our forever home here because of the natural environment, peaceful and beautiful community. Putting an entertainment mini golf course outside the gates gives a commercial feel of Hilton Head Island, Myrtle Beach and the NJ Shore. If I wanted that environment, I could have built a home for a lot less money in those areas. I think if a putt putt is necessary, there are other areas on Maybank Highway that can handle the traffic and commercialism.

2/10/2021 11:43 AM

Parking, Traffic, and the development is not in keeping with the largely residential, farm, and nature preserves in the surrounding community.

2/10/2021 11:43 AM

Increased traffic, noise and and lighting.

2/10/2021 11:41 AM

increased development. improper use for the area. traffic and crossings on an already very busy road.

2/10/2021 11:40 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:39 AM

Not suitable use of the land. Will bring too much traffic to an already congested part of the island.

2/10/2021 11:38 AM

amount of traffic and property value

2/10/2021 11:38 AM

(1) proposed facility will likely increase density and traffic issues, including cross-traffic turning dangers in an area where there has already been a fatality near by in the last six months. (2) no obvious need for facility-nearby islands have plenty of family-oriented amenities already and there is no obvious John's Island demand for such a facility.

2/10/2021 11:37 AM

I'm voting more against the pressure that has been put on residents to vote 'no' versus anything else. I feel that a tasteful miniature golf course wouldn't be out of place in a golf Mecca like Kiawah.

2/10/2021 11:37 AM

Traffic increase and the lack of a need for something like that on this end of Johns Island. With the addition of the medical center and possible retirement complex, it will become very crowded. There is enough to do here without that.

2/10/2021 11:37 AM

The traffic.

2/10/2021 11:36 AM

Traffic, night lights, failure and abandonment

2/10/2021 11:36 AM

traffic, noise, night lighting

2/10/2021 11:36 AM

Traffic congestion so close to the exit from Kiawah Island Parkway and creation of a carnival like atmosphere so close to the otherwise tranquil roundabout.

2/10/2021 11:35 AM

Traffic. Lighting. This is not Myrtle Beach/Hilton Head. Reasons I have not even thought of. Very much against. And it brings nothing of value to the island.

2/10/2021 11:35 AM

We built our home here in Kiawah to escape commercialized areas and live in nature. If people want putt putt golf, they should live in Hilton Head!

2/10/2021 11:35 AM

Traffic noise lights looks. If we begin to let commercial business like this in we are opening the floodgates

2/10/2021 11:34 AM

Traffic, crowds, aesthetics

2/10/2021 11:34 AM

There are people whose homes are adjacent to this development. Would you want a commercial development going up in your back yard? Not a kind thing to do to people who have been living there and

investing in this community far longer than the tourist that will use the miniature golf. The developer might consider trying to be a better human and neighbor.

2/10/2021 11:34 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:33 AM

more traffic in the area, and taking away from a relaxed lifestyle in Kiawah

2/10/2021 11:33 AM

Aesthetically it does not belong in the area. We bought on Kiawah because there is minimal commercial activity from Maybank Hwy to Kiawah. Our son, family and friends have survived without commercialization. It is about enjoying the natural surroundings and history of the local islands. There is plenty for everyone to enjoy on Kiawah and Seabrook already. If people feel the need for all of the commercial aspects there is plenty to do near Charleston and the surrounding area. Not interested in creating a Myrtle Beach or HH vibe along that stretch. Traffic issues will increase. No doubt. That stretch is sadly already a speedway for many drivers coming and going. Water drainage issues on the roadway are a concern. What happens when it fails? A big eye sore we all get to look at? No thanks. I am all for small businesses. In this case this is just a poor location for this venture.

2/10/2021 11:33 AM

I do not think the roadways in that area support additional commercial development. I also think the greater Kiawah area should be kept distinct from Hilton Head, Myrtle Beach.....

2/10/2021 11:32 AM

Traffic and the tacky commercialization of the area (we were attracted to kiawah because of the lack of this type of development)

2/10/2021 11:32 AM

I don't think this is appropriate use of land for Kiawah. If you want putt putt go to Myrtle Beach or Daytona.

2/10/2021 11:32 AM

Too much congestion. Will give a Myrtle Beach feel to that area, a definite negative for me.

2/10/2021 11:32 AM

Concerned about added traffic to an already bad situation as well as commercialization of our beautiful area. I do not want us to become another Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

Kiawah has always been dedicated to keeping the natural beauty of the area. This is not consistent with that philosophy. For those that want this they should go to other vacation areas that embrace this style developments like Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

This use is so wrong for this area. We are not Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head! This is the worst development idea I've heard in a long time.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

We are deeply concerned about the precedent that will be set for properties surrounding this parcel and fear they will become filled with even less desirable commercial establishments. We've seen it happen in Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head. Enterprises such as this will only detract from Seabrook and Kiawah property values. We ask that the Town strongly oppose this rezoning proposal.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

This would add a business element inconsistent with Kiawah / Seabrook destination. It would add traffic and deter from setting of the island potentially negatively affecting property value.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

I don't oppose miniature golf on John's Island, just not so close to Kiawah and Seabrook. Seems very out of character for the location. Clearly is designed to snag vacationers, not to entertain the majority of island residents.

2/10/2021 11:30 AM

Traffic and change in the nature of this mostly rural island and lightly commercialized area. Don't really want to see a carnival-like business.

2/10/2021 11:29 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:29 AM

Traffic. "Fit" with the surrounding area. Proximity to City Hall.

2/10/2021 11:28 AM

Increased traffic, damage to surrounding marsh land and wildlife, does not align with esthetic of surrounding community. It would be an eyesore!

2/10/2021 11:28 AM

This does not at all fit with the luxury feel of the community. A mini golf course would have a negative impact on the property values of other residents and does not fit with the natural beauty of our community.

2/10/2021 11:28 AM

This is not consistent with the uses for the surrounding areas and sets a bad precedent. We should be clear about what permitted uses are (or should be) and go from there. Thanks

2/10/2021 11:28 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:28 AM

There is no supportable reason for commercial development anywhere on Bohicket Road but particularly so close to Kiawah and Seabrook. We have to constantly protect our way of life here.

2/10/2021 11:27 AM

Family friendly fun has NO issues!

2/10/2021 11:27 AM

None

2/10/2021 11:27 AM

Putt putt golf is considered an amusement park or third tier recreational activity. We don't need this visual in Kiawah's anteroom. Given the Betsy Kerrison traffic and accident woes perhaps a dodgem amusement ride would be more appropriate. Thanks

2/10/2021 11:27 AM

TRAFFIC AND THE COMMERCIALIZATION OF OUR BEAUTIFUL ISLAND AREA

2/10/2021 11:26 AM

Traffic, over commercialization of kiawah, turning kiawah into Hilton head or myrtle beach

2/10/2021 11:25 AM

Traffic, noise, decline of character of the island, possibility of other development

2/10/2021 11:25 AM

Traffic, density, and completely inappropriate to have mini golf at this location.

2/10/2021 11:25 AM

Excess traffic. Despoiling of natural beauty.

2/10/2021 11:24 AM

The aesthetic visual and calmness of the area.

2/10/2021 11:24 AM

Too much commercial development

2/10/2021 11:23 AM

Traffic and nature of commercial enterprise

2/10/2021 11:22 AM

We purchased property on Kiawah Island for it's peaceful beauty, quiet and undisturbed nature and beautiful beaches. We specifically LOVE that it has no miniature golf facilities like Hilton Head has. We strongly oppose the building of any such facility on or near our peaceful community. We are also very concerned about the continual increase of traffic on the woefully inadequate Bohicket Road and oppose anything that would increase such traffic.

2/10/2021 11:22 AM

We are not Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 11:21 AM

Traffic safety and incompatible with neighboring uses.

2/10/2021 11:20 AM

Increasing traffic foremost; Prefer maintaining residential feel; Concerned about the Hilton Head type of development

2/10/2021 11:20 AM

Kiawah is a natural Place. Go to hilton head for shopping and things like mini golf.

2/10/2021 11:20 AM

When our children were small vacations always included mini golf. It's a great family activity that provides fun, teaches patience, and respect for the sport of golf. The project integrates nicely with family time and the loved sport of golf on neighboring islands

2/10/2021 11:19 AM

Traffic, Kiawah is a beautiful beach community, this proposal would not add to the value of Kiawah and Seabrook it would diminish the value !

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Unlike some residents, I'm okay with the concept. We live in a golf community. What better way to begin indoctrinating the little ones. That said, we need to ensure that it is not "cheesy" and detracts from our community. I'm fine with something classy and/or partially or fully hidden from the road.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

I support the miniature golf proposal. I'm more concerned about what would be built if this proposal is denied.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Traffic / Saftey Really poor astetic for johns Island Flooding / runoff Environmental ( see above ) Noise / light pollution Potential draw for nefarious activity thought we already loudly said NO

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

More traffic in the area will result from those coming to play at the Putt Putt golf. It will make for a dangerous area. We saw what happened when there was an accident at Kiawah River Estates, taking over 2 hours to go from the second gate to the roundabout was terrible. Please don't pass this ordinance.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

I dont believe that is the best fit for what should be developed there. We should consider expansion of retail/restaurants. Freshfields gets crowded during certain times of the year, clearly the demand is there from visitors and residents, would be great to see what else can be added.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Kiawah and Seabrook are natural areas and that is it draw compared to Hilton Head and other coastal communities. It would also greatly increase traffic

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

traffic, image

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Commercialism/touristy attractions is not what that area is about. It is about quiet, outdoor natural recreation like walking beach, boating, golf and tennis. It is the end of John's island with one road in/out to Kiawah and Seabrook. Can't handle the tourist aspect, lights, noise, garbage, pollution, increase in traffic a commercial venture like mini golf would bring. Also, it is the exact opposite of why Kiawah/Seabrook are desirable: immersed in nature, quiet...lastly, we need to stop building on this fragile ecosystem/aquifer. Robbing the natural world of homes for its inhabitants, disturbing the soil, runoff, etc. extremely poor idea for a place like Kiawah and Seabrook.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Quality of operation that will occupy the space.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

I am concerned that the area will start to look like Myrtle Beach - not the nice part. I am also concerned that the traffic density will increase affecting safety.

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Tourist trap junk like Florida!

2/10/2021 11:18 AM

Traffic, public safety

2/10/2021 11:17 AM

Traffic safety and inappropriate development in a residential zone

2/10/2021 11:17 AM

Traffic : accidents: roundabout use : speeding: pedestrian and bicycle safety

2/10/2021 11:17 AM

Kiawah is the foremost ecosystem community in our country. People come to our island for its natural beauty. We are absolutely against the rezoning and the proposed putt putt. Sincerely, John Constable 66 Otter 4 Royal Beach 73 New Settlement

2/10/2021 11:17 AM

We do not want to be a Hilton Head or Myrtle Beach .... please !! This a bad choice for the island.

2/10/2021 11:17 AM

Added traffic, overall visual and turning Kiawah in to another Myrtle Beach...the Resort is already trying hard enough.

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

It will downgrade the exclusiveness of both Kiawah and Seabrook Islands turning into a Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head. I doubt very seriously that the patrons will be Kiawah or Seabrook visitors, but residents from James Island.

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Traffic. Does not fit with the style of Kiawah, Seabrook, that part of Johns Island.

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Not wanted. Traffic and crowds.

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Congestion /traffic in a busy area. Diminishing the natural beauty of the area which will impact Kiawah and Seabrook

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Traffic in and out of Kiawah and Seabrook

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Commercialization

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

Traffic conditions entering and exiting onto Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

2/10/2021 11:16 AM

This would lower the value of overall Kiawah Island and over commercialize the property around KI. KICA has worked hard to maintain and better the quality of life and this proposal would take many steps backward for the community. Please know we forcefully oppose the use of mini golf so close to Kiawah and believe it would be a detriment to the greater community through increased traffic, lower quality and expectations for renters and homeowners.

2/10/2021 11:15 AM

Additional traffic and type of use of the land

2/10/2021 11:15 AM

Traffic and the aesthetic

2/10/2021 11:14 AM

Change in character of area and increased traffic volume.

2/10/2021 11:14 AM

Traffic flow. Garbage. Parking.

2/10/2021 11:14 AM

Traffic - unsuitable use of property

2/10/2021 11:13 AM

I really don't want kiawah to turn into an amusement park. We love it here, I don't think a mini golf will add to the charm of our island.

2/10/2021 11:13 AM

I think this proposal will desecrate the natural beauty of Kiawah. We chose to live here because of Kiawah's ideology to keep the island as close to it's natural beauty as possible.

2/10/2021 11:12 AM

The density is already too high in this area and a temporary attraction will only make it worse. Also a miniature golf facility would lessen the brand of Kiawah. Imagine driving into Kiawah for the first time and having to drive past a miniature golf facility. This is not Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 11:12 AM

Additional traffic, and antithesis of what the surrounding developments are like.

2/10/2021 11:11 AM

Too much traffic. Change in the "feel/ambiance" of Betsy Kerrison and the entrance to Kiawah/Seabrook.

2/10/2021 11:11 AM

Traffic. It's difficult already and much more dangerous should there be an emergency. It also doesn't make sense to pull traffic from other parts of Charleston County out towards the narrowest end with the fewest alternatives (exactly one) for ingress and egress. Please reconsider.

2/10/2021 11:11 AM

Increased traffic entering and exiting a curve where speed limit changes. Also, such a project would negatively impact the rural character of the area.

2/10/2021 11:11 AM

too commercial not needed traffic issues

2/10/2021 11:09 AM

Traffic and crowds. Want neither.

2/10/2021 11:09 AM

I oppose developing a mini golf course.

2/10/2021 11:09 AM

Just traffic concerns but overall great idea

2/10/2021 11:09 AM

Traffic will be a nightmare!

2/10/2021 11:09 AM

As a year long resident I do not want to ruin the peacefulness of the island.

2/10/2021 11:08 AM

Sophisticated look for the area like freshfields.

2/10/2021 11:08 AM

Traffic. Although they propose left turn only for in and out, it will never work. I doubt that anyone will go as far as the traffic circle to access the mini golf. They will cross the median or turn into the Municipal Center parking lot and turn around. Something you should think about. I also feel that in time it will become a tacky eyesore and lead to additional unwanted commercial development.

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2/10/2021 11:06 AM

This type of business is not a good fit with the local environment, residential community and resort atmosphere.

2/10/2021 11:06 AM

My biggest concern is losing the quaint, laid back atmosphere that Kiawah has worked so hard to convey. My fear is to get too much commercialization and therefore a lower quality of renters.

2/10/2021 11:05 AM

I don't feel a mini golf facility fits with beauty of Kiawah. It will be an eyesore for all to see when they arrive and leave the island. Please don't allow the land to be rezoned for mini golf!

2/10/2021 11:05 AM

Bringing unnecessary traffic and congestion plus changing of the scenic character of the area

2/10/2021 11:05 AM

Traffic safety congestion

2/10/2021 11:05 AM

Traffic pattern will be dangerous and this road pattern can't support this business

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Safety, traffic and the viability of the establishment.

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

The traffic issues could become a problem. Also I don't see the need for such a facility near kiawah, a community of older residents.

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

Traffic and safety concerns.

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

It's cheap and tacky... 100%against this ridiculous proposal.

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

we do not need this type of development

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

Traffic issues. Area really doesn't need a commercial property

2/10/2021 11:04 AM

This request should be denied as it is the further development of the property adjacent to Kiawah. If allowed, it could lead to further development in that area, and what value does a miniature golf course bring to our community. Zero in my opinion.

2/10/2021 11:03 AM

Keeping this space for a more critical usage or just keep the land rural...there is not a burning need for miniature golf..traffic, more cars in and out of Freshfields because inevitably they will end up there etc..Does not add to the needs of the community and it could affect land values in the future

2/10/2021 11:03 AM

It will look trashy and too commercial. We paid too much for our home to have something like this greet us as we drive to our tranquil island. Please say no to this !

2/10/2021 11:03 AM

Traffic

2/10/2021 11:02 AM

Traffic and unsafe traffic flow.

2/10/2021 11:02 AM

Traffic congestion Loss of natural beauty Overcrowding NOT MYRTLE BEACH

2/10/2021 11:02 AM

traffic, parking, making the area more touristy or Myrtle Beach like

2/10/2021 11:01 AM

Putt putt is not consistent with Kiawah.

2/10/2021 11:01 AM

Environmental, Aesthetics, Traffic

2/10/2021 11:01 AM

I think it would be wonderful and fun for children!

2/10/2021 11:01 AM

Mini golf first,then fast food next and we destroy the quality evolution of Kiawah.We must fight this with great energy.

2/10/2021 10:58 AM

Traffic, future impact if venture fails

2/10/2021 10:57 AM

Traffic, lifestyle, moved to Kiawah not Hilton Head!

2/10/2021 10:57 AM

Johns Island needs to be developed very carefully and with low density. The City of Charleston has made an absolute mess of the part of Johns Island (they have done the same thing on James Island) that was annexed by them in the late 1980's and 1990's. Development can be done tastefully and with respect for the beauty of Johns Island. Unfortunately, once the damage of unbridled development occurs all of the problems that it cause cannot be undone.

2/10/2021 10:56 AM

The only potential issue would be the quality of the facility, we obviously only want high quality venues, buildings and food and beverage on John's Island, so ensuring that is key.

2/10/2021 10:55 AM

Traffic and tacky connotation of miniature golf regardless of how nicely done.

2/10/2021 10:55 AM

Traffic, litter, it looks tacky and it will be an eye sore in a few years because we don't have the year round people to support it.

2/10/2021 10:54 AM

Will increase preexisting traffic issues and create major safety hazard. Development is not in keeping with bucolic Kiawah/Seabrook setting and will add tackiness to the entrance, which will decrease John's Island and Kiawah/Seabrook land values and overall appeal. It will serve no one but developer.

2/10/2021 10:54 AM

Biggest concern is the traffic and safety of that area. This would most likely be used during the busy season, adding to the danger of driving this section.

2/10/2021 10:54 AM

I think it's wholly inappropriate to have that type of very active, noisy and challenging out of home entertainment in that location.

2/10/2021 10:54 AM

Not Appropriate for the area.

2/10/2021 10:53 AM

overbuilding will draw too much traffic not beneficial to the wildlife in the area

2/10/2021 10:53 AM

Traffic increase

2/10/2021 10:53 AM

A miniature golf course does not fit in with what Kiawah has long stood for, both from a preservation standpoint and lifestyle. Traffic would be a concern as well.

2/10/2021 10:52 AM

None

2/10/2021 10:52 AM

At the very least, overdevelopment and overuse of protected wetlands that are already dangerously threatened due to a myriad of reasons.

2/10/2021 10:51 AM

Turning it into a recreational facility that could encourage drinking, which could lead to drinking and driving

2/10/2021 10:50 AM

Should remain rural/single family

2/10/2021 10:49 AM

Traffic, flooding and rezoning of John's Island. This type of development is not the correct fit for the culture and makeup of John's Island.

2/10/2021 10:49 AM

Would distract from the natural beauty that remains in that area. It would bring a commercial aspect to the area that would be detrimental.

2/10/2021 10:48 AM

Area will be more commercial and congested

2/10/2021 10:48 AM

anything that has to do with miniature golf is concerning.

2/10/2021 10:48 AM

A mini-golf facility is inconsistent with the surrounding environment and esthetics of the area.

2/10/2021 10:48 AM

We don't think a mini-golf is in keeping with the quality of the rest of the resort. It is too honky tonk!

2/10/2021 10:47 AM

Crowding and littering. The beauty of these islands are the serenity, quiet, an escape from the craziness of our lives. And of course their beauty

2/10/2021 10:44 AM

tacky inconsistent with our image

2/10/2021 10:43 AM

Every single thing about this concerns me. I don't want to live in an area surrounded by Myrtle Beach types of crap. I don't want more traffic. I don't want nature destroyed. I don't want this project to lead to other similar projects crowding an already-crowded John's Island. This area is chosen by residents for quiet, not for putt-putt. What's next, a McDonald's? A go-cart racetrack? Please stop this before it starts. You know what we do need? A bigger grocery store! A hospital or medical facility! Not a putt putt.

2/10/2021 10:42 AM

A put put course does not complement Kiawah and it's focus on nature.

2/10/2021 10:42 AM

Traffic, traffic, traffic. The traffic is to the point of being unbearable. I'm not opposed to addition of essential services but this is an addition that is not necessary

2/10/2021 10:42 AM

Safety, traffic, changes to local environment, circus nature of project

2/10/2021 10:41 AM

Taking away from the ambiance and beauty of our area.

2/10/2021 10:41 AM

I am mostly concerned with additional housing and traffic concerns. However I think a mini golf proposal by an independent owner and not a large entity would be a great addition. There isn't a lot of outside

things to do and as a golf community, a mini golf addition would be great. Especially since the marina is dead now that it has been taken over.

2/10/2021 10:39 AM

Traffic would be a nightmare on already over crowded and dangerous roads. We need less on Johns Island until roads are improved.

2/10/2021 10:39 AM

The unauthorized people who will flock to the area and pose t an additional security risk. Kiawah is an exclusive development and i don't want to have a fair grounds type environment in my vicinity. People would be out and about, fast food would be next and the beauty of what is here will be lost. People going to Beachwalker park could make a day of mini golf and beaches and our security and serene look at nature would be overcome. No, no no to a county fair amusement park. G. Wooten

2/10/2021 10:38 AM

Safety with vehicles entering and exiting the proposed facility. Keeping the rural nature of John's Island.

2/10/2021 10:38 AM

The misleading proposal to the community giving the impression that this entity will donate funds to charity( in actuality it will donate a minute portion of limited months profits). The destruction of open space, the commercialization of rural property not in keeping with an amusement park. traffic, trash, signage.

2/10/2021 10:37 AM

This is not who KiawAh is. No interest in looking like Myrtle Beach.

2/10/2021 10:37 AM

Let's try to maintain the beauty of this area, and not turn it into a Hilton Head/Honky Tonk type of eyesore.

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

Traffic and I am not opposed to the putt putt but want it built in a commercial pod do not change residential to begin the next Folly Road.

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

Traffic issues, attracting too many people not staying in Kiawah to show up there, impact on wildlife and the environment

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

A miniature golf course will make a terrible first impression of our beautiful islands devaluing all of our properties.

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

Why rezone what is the community benefit

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

It is unnecessary and in the wrong community. Everyone is against this. Kiawah is about nature and simple, understated beauty. Not the place for this.

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

Property values and traffic issues.

2/10/2021 10:36 AM

Stupid Greed

2/10/2021 10:35 AM

Traffic and commercialism that is not needed there

2/10/2021 10:35 AM

Traffic overload

2/10/2021 10:35 AM

Traffic!

2/10/2021 10:35 AM

This is a slippery slope problem. After mini golf you will get further development - fast food, ice cream shop, etc and you will create another commercial development over time. We already have Freshfields and Bohicket.

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

I come to my condo in Kiawah to get away from the over populated and commercialized areas that dominate popular locations these days. If I wanted to be in Myrtle Beach or Hilton Head I would have bought a place there. Kiawah is unique based on its lack of commercialization and I would like to keep it that way.

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

This is not in keeping with the image or activities of Kiawah. Not the proper place for such a thing.

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

Traffic, other amusement parks to follow and not why we bought on Kiawah.

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

Our town is upscale and a mini-golf facility devalues our properties. People do not come to Kiawah for this kind of experience. They are looking at the natural beauty of the island.

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

density, traffic congestion and added number of cars

2/10/2021 10:34 AM

Cheapening the visual and financial value of Kiawah, Seabrook and Johns Island in general.

2/10/2021 10:33 AM

Wanting to preserve the natural habitat for animals and plants, increase in noise, lights and traffic.

2/10/2021 10:33 AM

Traffic, light, noise, litter.

2/10/2021 10:33 AM

This is not Myrtle beach. They usually end up trashed.

2/10/2021 10:33 AM

The environmental impact, the overdevelopment of these natural lowland areas impact many native species (plants and animals). The land area is prone to flooding and increased development impacts the entire surrounding community. Traffic issues are a serious concern. Accidents, increased drivers on the roads and speeding. The current infrastructure cannot sustain the overpopulation going forward. Keep this a beautiful natural environment to enjoy and protect.

2/10/2021 10:32 AM

Mini-golf will be a tacky eyesore that will erode the beauty of the natural landscape of Ki. This is not an appropriate business for its damage to the ecological system, increased traffic and pollution from more day visitors to the area, and general Island wear and tear. As a native South Carolinian, I am grieved by the careless, money-driven and over-developed direction Ki has taken in the name of profit. It's despicable that Outsiders who do not share a love of land and culture prefer to destroy our sanctuary and wipe away its beauty to build cookie cutter business that destroy Ki's uniqueness. Save this type of trash for Mount Pleasant. Your job should be to protect Ki from further Developer exploitation and our never-ending population explosion. Enough is enough.

2/10/2021 10:31 AM

I would hate to think that our area could end up like the approaches on Hilton Head . The area should remain residential anything else would have a negative effect on the islanders who live in the ares

2/10/2021 10:31 AM

The traffic... the appearance... starting a precedent for future businesses that don't seem to be in the "Kiawah" vibe.

2/10/2021 10:31 AM

Traffic that a mini golf use could bring at a very active egress area from Kiawah and Seabrook.

2/10/2021 10:31 AM

Not the first impression visitors to either island should see when they approach our beautiful islands. We are not and don't want to be Hilton Head, Myrtle Beach or Traverse City.

2/10/2021 10:31 AM

i do not think a facility of this type will compliment a 5 Diamond community like Kiawah. What changes could be made after zoning approval or possible sale to third party?

2/10/2021 10:30 AM

Putt putt doesn't belong here, this isn't Myrtle Beach

2/10/2021 10:30 AM

Ingress and egress. My understanding is that there is only one way in and out which requires patrons coming from north to south having to access the traffic circle and head back north to access the site. If approved should have a controlled intersection.

2/10/2021 10:29 AM

Traffic and aesthetics. A putt-putt facility is not in keeping with the surroundings.

2/10/2021 10:29 AM

Traffic Ruining natural landscape

2/10/2021 10:29 AM

Traffic safety ... Putt Putt does not belong in this area  
2/10/2021 10:29 AM  
Inconsistent with current nature of the area.  
2/10/2021 10:29 AM  
Attraction of too many off island visitors, increased traffic and cheapening of property values as a result of this offensive amusement park.  
2/10/2021 10:28 AM  
I support this ONLY if the plan is exceptional and not commercial. See the Conservation Course and the FL Science courses for examples. It should be consistent with nature not tourism. Thanks  
2/10/2021 10:28 AM  
Congestion, quality of the island and its' atmosphere. This project does not belong here and will lead to future attractions  
2/10/2021 10:26 AM  
Any additional commercial activity would just exacerbate the growing traffic issues/congestion. Not to mention how a miniature golf course cheapens the quality of the islands. Just a bad idea!!!!!!  
2/10/2021 10:26 AM  
Traffic!! congestion!!! Accidents!! Decreased property value! Alteration of the natural sanctuary that we love Kiawah for - and have loved Kiawah for the last 20 years - the reason we bought a home here.  
2/10/2021 10:25 AM  
This type of establishment will diminish the uniqueness of Kiawah and turn our entrance into a Hilton Head type UN-zoned commercial mess affecting property values. Please reject the application  
2/10/2021 10:25 AM  
Everything that involves a mini golf  
2/10/2021 10:25 AM  
The traffic situation will be horrendous. The cheapening of the approach to Kiawah/Seabrook would be offensive to those of us who live here. We have been full time Kiawah residents since 2001 and have been a part of this island for over 40 years. The last thing we want to see is the beginning of developing this area to be another Hilton Head.  
2/10/2021 10:25 AM  
Traffic  
2/10/2021 10:25 AM  
Traffic safety and congestion, which is already an issue.  
2/10/2021 10:24 AM  
Betsy Kerrison does not need added traffic and congestion. The entire Johns Island network of roads will be adversely impacted by this proposed project.  
2/10/2021 10:24 AM  
There are mini-golf courses and then there are mini-golf courses. I am not familiar with the specifics of course proposed. If it is on the level (aesthetics, first class) of the mini golf course at Nemicolon Woodlands Resort in Farmington, PA=it would be a nice addition to local amenities. If on the level of the typical beach mini-golf=against.  
2/10/2021 10:24 AM  
Not the right fit for the area - bringing in traffic from other areas, etc.  
2/10/2021 10:24 AM  
Mini golf  
2/10/2021 10:24 AM  
I dont Think that type of property belongs this close to kiawah island. Kiawah has done an amazing job of maintaining the natural beauty of the island and has been tasteful in the retail establishments it has allowed. This development is not consistent with the island and would not add to the value of the island that has been so consistently preserved. I think It would be a mistake.  
2/10/2021 10:22 AM  
This four lane divided and scenic highway is bordered by churches and residential properties occupied by an economically and racially diverse population. A miniature golf course facility would forever change the character of the area; decrease residential property values; increase traffic and decrease traffic safety. How many times do we have to comment on this project????....this is at least the third survey which I have completed concerning this subject.  
2/10/2021 10:22 AM

Traffic concerns so close to the traffic on Betsy Kerrison Parkway.

2/10/2021 10:21 AM

This will increase traffic, create traffic flow issues. Proposed use is not consistent with local esthetic. Will result in increased impermeable surface.

2/10/2021 10:21 AM

Traffic, noise, ruin landscape

2/10/2021 10:21 AM

We chose to purchase on Kiawah Island rather than Hilton Head Island to avoid these commercial endeavours.

2/10/2021 10:20 AM

Not in keeping with the natural, uncommercialized feel of Kiawah. We bought here instead of Hilton Head, etc for this very reason. Please protect this unique aspect of our area. Traffic.

2/10/2021 10:20 AM

not in keeping with the surrounding properties and would constitute an eyesore to the public right of way entering both Kiawah and Seabrook Islands. Both islands provide plenty of natural entertainment for those living and or vacationing there and a mini golf facility does nothing to enhance the environment that both islands now support.

2/10/2021 10:19 AM

Too much building; keep property undeveloped and natural

2/10/2021 10:19 AM

There are many reasons but here are a few: 1) Additional traffic 2) Aesthetically unpleasing 3) A miniature golf course doesn't fit the Kiawah Seabrook model I am very opposed to the idea and I am an entrepreneur who believes in small business rights. Starting a business in the name of charity rarely ends up working...I think it is a sham to try to push this proposal through.

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While I support the notion that private landowners generally have the right to use their private property as they see fit, this proposed use seems fraught with problems. Betsy Kerrison has become a heavily-used drag strip over recent years as Kiawah and Seabrook continue to be developed and attract more and more visitors. The idea of a putt putt golf course is sure to attract more people and increase the traffic. Also, the idea of a putt putt course seems at odds with the general character of the area, which is what attracts so many people to Kiawah and Seabrook. Nobody wants to see this area become a Myrtle Beach, and adding a putt putt course is indeed the camel's nose under the tent. Finally, the proposed traffic plan is ridiculous. Traffic cannot turn left into the proposed putt putt course. Rather, traffic must proceed to the traffic circle and then circle back to turn right into the property. This will increase needless traffic on the traffic circle, and there certainly will be violators who will nonetheless turn left in the course, all of which increases the risk of accidents. The project and proposed use is generally a badly thought-out idea and should not be approved.

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Design and intended use of the proposal. Inappropriate and out of character, for Kiawah Island, business use proposal.

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It needs to be tastefully done with beautiful landscaping.

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Traffic and deterioration of the pristine non commercial characteristics that make our islands unique and desirable. We will become Hilton Head, which is not what residents want

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Traffic flow would be my only major concern.

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It is more appropriate to stay as residential. The additional traffic caused by an entertainment venue like this golf business would be problematic.

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1. It's in a flood-prone area. Between all the new residential development in the pipeline and the hardscape (parking and artificial turf) required for this minigolf course, there will only be more flooding. Betsy Kerrison is already a disaster during heavy rains. 2. The entrance and exit are right-in and right-out. That means that drivers from River Road following the law will have to enter the Freshfields roundabout to access the facility. Those not following the law will simply make a u-turn- a stupid and dangerous move in

an area already prone to traffic accidents. 3. With the planned building of the MUSC healthcare facility and senior living facility in Freshfields, there will be even worse traffic, including medical transportation. 4. Their offer to provide charitable support is disingenuous. It's only in the off-season-not much money there. 5. The preservation of the schoolhouse is another red-herring. The building needs a real, formal, and complete restoration process. Not just becoming a prop for minigolf.

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I am actually neither for or against the proposal but if I have to choose I would vote in favor of the property owner. While I am not a huge fan of mini golf, I am supportive of responsible development and the rights of property owners. I am also too familiar with situations like this where you "win" the battle but "lose" the war and end up with a much less favorable business in the same location. Personally I would focus a lot less on whether it is a putt putt, retail store or other business and focus my attention on the quality of the development, the way the parking interacts with the road, the way it is landscaped, etc.

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A mini-golf course would be fun to take the grandkids to when they visit. Lighten up. Kiawah shouldn't just be for rich old stodgers. Family fun!

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Traffic, more traffic accidents, spoiling the look of the area

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Affect on property values and image of Kiawah Island.

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Allowing a project of this type would open the door to Myrtle Beach-type development, and avoiding that prompted our coming to, and buying property on, Kiawah.

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Aesthetics and traffic

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None

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That Kiawah Island will begin to look like Myrtle Beach! If approval is granted for one miniature golf course there will be more.

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The commercialization of the area. I think the last thing the residents want at Kiawah and Seabrook is to turn the area into another Hilton Head.

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Density on the property, increase traffic as a result of land use.

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