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Pursuant to Florida law, certain items are deemed “quasi-judicial” in nature, as indicated on the City Commission agenda, and thus, certain protocols are required to be followed for those items.

Any communication with any person concerning a quasi-judicial item needs to be disclosed prior to the public hearing on the matter. This form is designed to assist the Mayor and City Commissioners in declaring ex parte communications.

All documents disclosed as part of this form are part of the official record of the City in connection with the quasi-judicial matter.

To be completed by the City Clerk’s Office:

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|-----------------------------|---|
| Meeting Date                | October 21, 2025  |
| Agenda Item Number          | 7.C   |
| Resolution/Ordinance Number | 01-25   |
| Legistar File ID Number     | 25-1139   |
| Date Range of Email Search  | May 1, 2024 to October 20, 2025   |
| Date Email Search Conducted |   |
| Terms Utilized for Search   | 01-25; Old Palm Grove; Abandonment of Public Right of Access; Abandonment of Easement/Pedestrian Access; Pedestrian access; Andrea Keiser; andrea@keiserlegal.com |

To be completed by applicable Department Staff:

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|---|--|
| Project Name  | Old Palm Grove                                       |
| Date Application was Received by City                 | 05/1/24  |
| Address for the Project                               | Old Palm Gove  |
| Name of Property Owner                                | Old Palm Grove Homeowners Association                |
| Name of Applicant/Agent                               | Andrea Keiser, Keiser Legal, LLC                     |
| Name of Applicant/Agent                               | Andrea Keiser  |
| Known Email Address(es) for Owner and Applicant/Agent | andrea@keiserlegal.com                               |
| Name of Assigned Planner/Staff                        | Grisel Rodriguez, Rebekah Dasari, Patrick Figuerella |

Additional Information:

As Item 7.C. on the October 21, 2025 agenda pertains to a quasi-judicial public hearing, the City has made a good faith effort to facilitate public access to written, potential ex parte communications located within the City’s email server.

To this end, the City has conducted a thorough search of its E-mail server and the results are attached.

*Form version 1, June 2, 2025*

**From:** [Gelin, Lynn](#)  
**To:** [Carney, Tom](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Old Palm Grove PZB Hearing  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024 5:20:23 PM

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**Cc:** Andrea Keiser <[andrea@keiserlegal.com](mailto:andrea@keiserlegal.com)>  
**Subject:** Old Palm Grove PZB Hearing

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Confirmed. Thank you so much.

Best,

Andi

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**To:** [Thomas Carney](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Old Palm Grove Application and Justification Statement  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 13, 2024 1:11:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [FE Application for Abandonment.pdf](#)  
[OPG - Justification Statement v2 .pdf](#)

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Date: Nov 13, 2024 11:37 AM  
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**Cc:** [Moore@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:Moore@mydelraybeach.com); [RodriguezG@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:RodriguezG@mydelraybeach.com); [DasariR@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:DasariR@mydelraybeach.com); [Sharon L'Herrou](mailto:Sharon L'Herrou)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Opposition to Abandonment of Public Access Rights in Old Palm Grove  
**Date:** Monday, October 20, 2025 1:17:35 PM  
**Attachments:** [Kokomo Key letter- position statement ref Abandonment request to Commissioners and P-Z-2.docx](#)

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October 20, 2025

Dear Delray Beach Commissioners,

I'm writing to you on behalf of the homeowners of Kokomo Key to request that you preserve our community's public access to La Hacienda Park and the pedestrian/ bicycle pathway that allows safe access through the neighborhoods to the intercoastal and to the beach. The pedestrian walkway and access has been enjoyed by the surrounding communities for years, and it is our understanding that it was originally a condition of the Old Palm Grove development. With that said, we are asking that you please deny Old Palm Grove's request to abandon public access to this area, which is scheduled to be heard at the Oct. 21st Commission meeting. Residents of our community regularly enjoy walking and biking to the beach through this area and appreciate having this safer, more family friendly option.

The Board of Directors of the Kokomo Key HOA took the matter up in our August board meeting and issued a position statement which is also attached. Our community respectfully stands together in opposition to the abandonment request.

I sincerely thank you for your service and your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely  
Todd Harvey

President  
Kokomo Key H.O.A.  
561-414-9122

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**Subject:** Old Palm Grove Application and Justification Statement  
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**To:** [Todd Harvey](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Abandonment of Easement/Pedestrian Access Around Old Pam Grove  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 9:02:58 PM  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-City of De.png](#)

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Todd,  
Thank you for your thoughtful input.  
Juli



**Juli Casale**  
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**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2024 2:33 PM  
**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>; Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>; Miller, Diane <millerd@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Subject:** Abandonment of Easement/Pedestrian Access Around Old Pam Grove

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Good Afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well. I'm emailing to express my concern about the possible abandonment of the easement that currently allows pedestrian access around La Hacienda Park

via Old Palm Grove. As this access is frequently used by neighbors and pedestrians in the area I hope the Commission will consider denying this request and maintain this important access for the surrounding communities.

Respectfully,  
Todd Harvey  
President  
Kokomo Key Homeowners Association

**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Teresa Agostinelli](#)  
**Subject:** Re: OBJECTION TO A PROPOSAL - PUBLIC HEARING 11/18/24 @ 5:00PM  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 7:05:04 AM  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-City of De.png](#)

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Thank you for taking the time to provide your thoughtful input.

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**Teresa Agostinelli**  
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**Cc:** [Dasari, Rebekah](mailto:Dasari_Rebekah); [carney@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:carney@mydelraybeach.com); [casale@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:casale@mydelraybeach.com); [Teresa Agostinelli](mailto:Teresa_Agostinelli)  
**Subject:** Re: Old Palm Grove hearing moved to October 21, 2025  
**Date:** Monday, September 8, 2025 3:43:50 PM  
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Hello,

You are receiving this message because emails were sent to the city listing you as having an interest in this hearing.

The commission hearing on the abandonment of public access to roads and certain open spaces in Old Palm Grove has been moved to October 21, 2025. The agenda will also be available online at least seven calendar days prior to the day of the meeting.



**Thank you!**

**Grisel Rodriguez, Senior Planner**

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On Monday, September 8, 2025 at 11:04:07 AM EDT, Rodriguez, Grisel <rodriguezg@mydelraybeach.com> wrote:

Hello,

You are receiving this message because emails were sent to the city listing you as having an interest in this hearing.

The commission hearing on the abandonment of public access to roads and certain open spaces in Old Palm Grove has been moved to October 21, 2025. The agenda will also be available online at least seven calendar days prior to the day of the meeting.



**Thank you!**

**Grisel Rodriguez, Senior Planner**

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**To:** [Suzanne St. Clair](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Old palm grove  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 9:02:01 PM  
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Suzanne,  
Thank you for providing input.  
Juli



**Juli Casale**  
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**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2024 5:54 PM  
**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Subject:** [Possible Spam]:Old palm grove

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I am a senior that lives in Kokomo key. I regularly ride my bike to the beach & delray beach park. But because federal hwy is so dangerous, I try to get off it as soon as possible. I use the route through Old Palm Grove throughout the year. Blocking this route would make me a lot more fearful causing me to give up this exercise and enjoyment.

PLEASE don't let this happen!

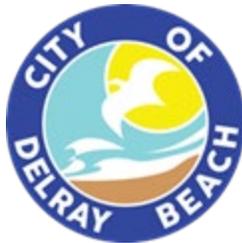
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**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Katrina Harp](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Opposition to October 21,2025 Hearing on the Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area  
**Date:** Monday, September 8, 2025 2:07:32 PM  
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Juli



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**From:** Katrina Harp <katrinaaharp@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, September 8, 2025 1:36 PM

**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>; Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>; Miller, Diane <millerd@mydelraybeach.com>

**Subject:** Opposition to October 21,2025 Hearing on the Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area

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Delray Beach, FL 33483  
[KatrinaAHarp@gmail.com](mailto:KatrinaAHarp@gmail.com)  
870-219-0803

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [niclcsw@comcast.net](mailto:niclcsw@comcast.net)  
**Subject:** Re: Opposition to October 21,2025 Hearing on the Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area  
**Date:** Monday, September 8, 2025 5:14:19 PM  
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Nicole,

Thank you for taking the time to provide your input.

Juli



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**From:** niclcsw@comcast.net <niclcsw@comcast.net>

**Sent:** Monday, September 8, 2025 4:41 PM

**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>; Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>; Miller, Diane <millerd@mydelraybeach.com>

**Subject:** Opposition to October 21,2025 Hearing on the Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area

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Sincerely,

Nicole Ovedia  
936 Kokomo Key Lane  
Delray Beach, FL 33483

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**To:** [Katrina Harp](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Opposition to Request for City Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 7:06:01 AM  
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Katrina,  
Thank you for taking the time to provide input.  
Juli



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**Sent:** Sunday, November 17, 2024 10:36 PM  
**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>; Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>; Miller, Diane <millerd@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Subject:** Opposition to Request for City Abandonment of Public Access to Old Palm Grove and La Hacienda Park Area

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November 17, 2024

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**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Christine Carr](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed City of Delray Beach Action - Old Palm Grove  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 12:33:56 PM  
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Christine,  
Thank you for emailing to provide your input.  
Juli



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**From:** Christine Carr <cmcarr1005@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2024 8:40 AM  
**To:** Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Subject:** Proposed City of Delray Beach Action - Old Palm Grove

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Hello Vice Mayor Juli Casale,

We are writing to you regarding our concern with the proposed City of Delray Beach Action being requested by the people in Old Palm Grow which have requested to cut off pedestrian access to their community by requesting the City abandon the rights to an area which currently allows public access.

My husband and I are residents of Kokomo Key and have been living here for over 5 years. When we purchased this property, one of the main reasons we purchased this is the ability to walk to the beach safely from our place. If the right to walk or bike to the beach by using the neighborhoods around La Hacienda Park is removed, this will greatly impact us in a negative way as well as drop our property value down if we try to sell our place.

Walking along Federal Highway to George Bush Blvd in order to walk to the beach is unsafe due to the heavy traffic on that road. Also the loud cars scare our dog when she accompanies us and causes her to try to run off which can have deadly consequences.

We are respectful neighbors and do not cause any damage or harm to their neighborhood by walking to the beach; in fact, we get to know each street and house by frequently walking by and can act as a safety net if we see anything that doesn't look 'right' and can call the authorities to check it out.

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There is a public hearing on this matter scheduled for today, Nov. 18th at 5pm but due to work, we cannot attend so we wanted our voice to be heard by writing you this email. **Please let the Planning and Zoning Board members know that we strongly oppose this action.**

Sincerely,

Christine & Brian Carr  
940 Kokomo Key Lane

**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Christine Carr](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed City of Delray Beach Action - Old Palm Grove  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 20, 2024 7:46:40 AM  
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It was scheduled to be heard by the planning and zoning board, but it was postponed. After the planning and zoning board hears it then it will be in front of the commission for consideration.

Juli



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**Sent:** Tuesday, November 19, 2024 6:01 AM  
**To:** Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>  
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Good morning Juli,

Can you share with me the outcome of Yesterdays City meeting regarding this action?

Thank you,

Christine Carr  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [DIANNE WEST](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Public Access Old Palm Grove  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 12:17:03 PM  
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Mr. & Mrs. West,

Thank you for taking the time to provide your input.

Juli



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**From:** DIANNE WEST <33db@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2024 11:15 AM  
**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Cc:** Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>  
**Subject:** Public Access Old Palm Grove

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Good Morning, Mayor Carney and commissioners,  
I'm writing to you about my concerns with blocking public access to the beach for the people in my community of Kokomo Key. The access without having to walk or bicycle on the highway, is one of the main reasons my husband and I purchased our home here. We are

quiet, polite, and we pick up after our puppy.

Federal is so busy, that I'm really hoping this zoning doesn't change. The people of Palm Grove should have known there was public access when they chose to move there. It leads to a public park and is a much safer route. Please take our opposition to this request into consideration.

Sincerely,

Dianne and Chris West  
942 Kokomo Key Lane  
Delray Beach, FL 33483

**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Iris Simpson](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Yes! to Pedestrian Access  
**Date:** Monday, November 18, 2024 12:20:11 PM  
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Iris,

Thank you for taking the time to provide input.

Juli



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**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2024 10:41 AM  
**To:** Carney, Tom <Carney@mydelraybeach.com>; Casale, Juli <Casale@mydelraybeach.com>; Long, Rob <Long@mydelraybeach.com>; Burns, Angela <Burns@mydelraybeach.com>; Markert, Tom <Markert@mydelraybeach.com>  
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Good Morning!

Unfortunately I will not be able to attend tonight's public hearing on this topic, but I am writing to strongly encourage you to continue allowing pedestrian access through Old Palm Grove.

One of my reasons for selecting to purchase a home in Kokomo Key was easy - and honestly pretty - access to the beach by walking the sidewalks through adjacent developments. Walking along Federal & George Bush can obviously be accomplished. However, for the safety of my grandchildren, I prefer to minimize the amount of time spent along those streets. Additionally it takes away from the calm and peaceful nature of a pleasant walk. Simply said, sustaining access does not hurt anyone and eliminating access does! We are all responsible and considerate as we walk through neighborhoods just as others walk through ours.

I vote YES! in maintaining public access to neighborhoods around La Hacienda Park.

Thank you!  
Iris Simpson  
945 Kokomo Key Lane  
Delray Beach, FL

**From:** [Casale, Juli](#)  
**To:** [Taly Cotler](#)  
**Subject:** Re: [Possible Spam]:City of Delray action – important  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 20, 2024 7:54:41 AM  
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To whom it may concern.

I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposed action by the City of Delray to restrict pedestrian access to the "Old Palm Grove" community. I respectfully request that this proposal be denied.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tali from Kokomo key community in Delray

**From:** [Sharon L'Herrou](mailto:Sharon.L'Herrou)  
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**Subject:** re: Please preserve public access through Old Palm Grove  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 8:29:59 PM  
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Dear Delray Beach Commissioners,

I'm writing to request that you preserve our community's public access to La Hacienda Park and the pedestrian/ bicycle path that runs through the neighborhoods to the intercoastal and onto the beach. This pedestrian walkway was intentionally designed and has been enjoyed by the surrounding community for many years, and was a condition of the Old Palm Grove development. Therefore, we are asking that you deny Old Palm Grove's request to abandon public access to this area, which is scheduled to be heard at the Oct. 21st Commission meeting. Members of the surrounding communities regularly enjoy walking and biking to the beach through this area.

We have engaged with community members here in Kokomo Key, and this community stands together in opposing the abandonment request. The Board of Directors of the Kokomo Key HOA took the matter up in August and issued a position statement which is also attached.

Thank you for your service and your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely  
Sharon L'Herrou  
Kokomo Key resident  
561-512-9146

## Rodriguez, Grisel

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**From:** c.guazzelli@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 11:41 AM  
**To:** Carney, Tom; Long, Rob; Casale, Juli; Markert, Tom  
**Cc:** Terrence R. Moore; Dasari, Rebekah; Rodriguez, Grisel; toddjharvey1@gmail.com; slherrou@gmail.com  
**Subject:** [Possible Spam]:Please Oppose Closure of Public Pedestrian Access to beach Near La Hacienda Park  
  
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Dear Commissioners,

I'm writing as a concerned resident regarding the upcoming October 21, 2025 agenda item proposing the abandonment of public pedestrian and bicycle access through the Old Palm Grove neighborhood.

This pathway has long served as a safe and convenient route for residents of Kokomo Key and the surrounding community to reach the beach by foot or bicycle. Removing this public access would significantly reduce non-vehicular connectivity and force residents to take a much longer, less safe route along Federal Highway — an area with heavier traffic and limited pedestrian-friendly infrastructure.

Preserving this access aligns with the City of Delray Beach's broader goals of promoting walkability, sustainability, and community connectivity. The pathway not only encourages healthy, eco-friendly transportation but also strengthens the sense of neighborhood connection that makes Delray Beach such a special place to live.

I respectfully urge you and your fellow Commissioners to **deny the request to abandon this public right of way** and to protect this important link between our neighborhoods. The long-term impact of closing this access would extend far beyond Old Palm Grove, affecting residents and visitors for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration, time and for your continued commitment to maintaining a walkable, accessible, and connected Delray Beach community.

Regards,  
Chris Guazzelli  
**Kokomo Key Resident**

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**From:** Steven Schwab <steven.schwab1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 11:42 AM  
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**Subject:** [Possible Spam]:Opposition to Abandonment of Public Access Rights in Old Palm Grove

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Dear Mayor Tom Carney, Vice Mayor Rob Long, Deputy Vice Mayor Angela Burns, Commissioner Juli Casale, and Commissioner Tom Markert,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed abandonment of public pedestrian and bicycle access rights in Old Palm Grove. This action would significantly impact the Kokomo Key community and myself by eliminating a vital connection to the beach via La Hacienda Park, leaving only the Federal Highway as an accessible route. This change would greatly reduce a popular amenity and permanently affect public rights, now and into the future.

Furthermore, approving this abandonment would mean I, along with other residents, lose access to La Hacienda Park—a public space that was funded and maintained by our tax dollars. It is unfair to deny taxpayers the benefits of infrastructure they have collectively paid for, effectively privatizing a community asset that should remain open to all.

This decision would also erode the sense of community in Delray Beach by restricting shared access to public areas that foster interaction among neighbors. La Hacienda Park and the associated pathways serve as communal spaces where people walk, bike, and connect with one another and nature. I take my dog on this walk 3 times a week who enjoys the shaded path and limited car noise. Abandoning these rights would fragment our neighborhoods, prioritize private interests over public good, and diminish the inclusive spirit that makes our city vibrant.

I urge you to consider the concerns of many residents and myself who are against this abandonment. The loss of existing pedestrian and bike access through these neighborhoods would be a disservice to the community. I encourage you to preserve our public access rights and vote against abandonment.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Steve Schwab

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