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I have read the minutes of the Sept 21 Planning Commission meeting, especially those portions that apply to the Lambeth access, and provide the following for clarification or amplification, as appropriate.

Fire Marshall Farrackand stated that she knows of NO OTHER permanent emergency only gates, such as is being proposed, in the city. I would suggest you ask her why. There is likely and very good reason for that....they don't work. WHY is it felt that this project should have this need? Any secondary access is not required or needed.

Commissioner Clein asked about the purpose of the Lambeth spur. Matt Kowalski gave a reply, but it is obvious that neither has taken the time to research this issue properly. As Bill Higgins, another long term (and I believe "original") resident of Lansdowne may have shared with some of you; Mr Airy, the original developer, had in mind either a cul-de-sac or an eventual continuation north to what has become Marra Dr, but the topography (wet and marshy) did not permit immediate development (in the mid 60's). Either of these plans would have entailed additional residential housing only. There was NEVER a thought to have Lambeth connect to a high density development or AA-Saline Rd.

Commissioner Milshteyn seemed to "hit the nail on the head" with his statement that "the Fire Marshall is saying this access is not required and the neighbors don't want it, so why not develop the property without it?" What an enlightenment !!!

I agree with Commissioner Milshteyn and earnestly request that rest of the commission does so as well.

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