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**Cc:** [Mary Maynard](#); [44 Ranch Estates Neighbors](#); [Ryan Salisbury](#); [Alan Maynard](#); [Lisa Helean](#); [RICHARD DOMBROUSKI](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Heron's Landing  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 26, 2020 9:51:36 PM

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City/County Officials,

I too question points of information presented however think it's important to clarify, we recognize that WGM is a private company acting as planner and owners representative, not in a governing capacity.

It is the responsibility of our local planners and governing bodies to review previous conditions of approval and commitments made by them, not only by WGM.

I echo and have reattached the comment made on the engagemissoula page by our neighbor Rich recounting the 2005 legal protest. Rather than paraphrasing, I encourage you to review and vet the information presented.

I'm sure everyone on this thread prefers to avoid legal action. We ask that our claim is reviewed and if sound, responded to in kind.

 [engagemissoula.com](https://engagemissoula.com)



**In 2005 the existing neighborhood of 44 Ranch Estates filed a legal protest with The Missoula County Office of planning and grants with respect to the planned development of the 44 Ranch development surrounding our neighborhood. After many hours and meetings with the County planning and zoning concessions were agreed to limit density around our existing development to two houses per acre and establishing Chuck Wagon Drive as a collector street to carry traffic in the future. With these agreed changes the protest was lifted and approval granted for the subdivision to move forward. A letter signed by WGM, Mr. Nick Kaufman dated May 11, 2005 summarizes these points and again stated that only 2 dwelling units per acre will be built adjacent to Roundup Drive. In review of the Herons Landing plat map the lots adjacent to Roundup Drive on the east side of roadway are only 8000 square**



**the east side of roadway are only 8900 square feet or less than the half acre size stipulated by the past agreement with the County planning and zoning office. The 44 Ranch Estate neighborhood expects the City and County to meet the past agreement which was required to lift our protest. The density requirements of a single row of half acre lots around the neighborhood was not development specific to only 44 Ranch and was an agreement with the County and City of Missoula to respect our neighborhood character and property values. We request the developer resubmit the plat with a single row of half acre lots which border our East property lines along Rounup Drive. Respectfully submitted Richard Dombrowski. Resident 44 Ranch Estates.**

RichardDombrowski asked, 21 days ago

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I appreciate your thoughtful consideration.

Thank you in advance,

Steve Bleecker  
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406-360-3862

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 26, 2020, at 4:24 PM, Mary Maynard <bukomaynard@gmail.com> wrote:

Please forward this email to all planning board members. Thank you.

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Can you please let me know what can be done at this point?

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<Meeting Minutes June 12, 2019.pdf>