

Attn: Nancy Batchelder

Please accept this email letter as a **STRONG OBJECTION** for the proposed assessment for the "completion of water, sewer and electrical work to provide services to (our) lot." When my wife & I purchased our lot (identified on Lincoln County Assessor's maps as 14-12-26-BC-05900), it was sold to us with the expressed expectation that water, sewer and electrical services would be complete and accessible ON our lot. That is part of the reason we were willing to pay a premium for our lot.

**Reasons for our objection:**

1. In the city council meeting minutes from 8/16/05, Jonathon was going in front of the city council for approval on Blackstone II. In the meeting minutes, it states that the water and sewer for Blackstone II were coming from the "recently approved water and sewer system in Blackstone I". Therefore, Blackstone I water & sewer is finished. If he had not received the approval to develop Blackstone II, this would be a mute point.

2. In the city council meeting minutes from 9/13/07, the city council was discussing the issue of the Escrow Agreement between Blackstone, Windsong & Creekside. In those minutes one of the city council members (no longer on the city council) asked what would happen if the developers ran out of money. The city attorney, Mike Dowsett, stated that there was a \$522,000 bond in place. Tina Hite requested a copy of this bond and directly asked the city attorney about it at the meeting in January. No one can produce this bond and therefore, we are led to believe it does not exist. Jonathon also stated that he had already put the money in escrow to finish the water and sewer systems on Blackstone I & II, yet no one from the city council could verify this.

If the city did not do its job to make sure that the developer was required to complete these fundamental services, or at the very least, require that monies to complete these services were put in escrow, then that's the city's mistake and not ours. We will take every action required to fight this assessment of \$8,597.73 for our lot as it is simply not right that we should owe more money because someone in the city didn't make sure that the developer was in compliance with his requirements and responsibilities.

Regards,

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