

SCIO DEVELOPMENT NEWSLETTER

SCIO CITIZENS FOR APPROPRIATE DEVELOPMENT

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SCAD was organized to keep track of local property developments and inform township residents of these happenings. It is comprised of individuals who live in the township and have a vision of planned, reasonable growth for the area. A primary goal of the organization is to influence development in the township in a constructive way.

LIBERTY PARK

This proposal to rezone 258 acres (which would allow for approximately 435 dwelling units) on the south side of Park Road extending to Liberty Road east of Zeeb Road was not approved by the Scio Township Planning Commission on December 8, 1987. However, this project may still be approved by the Board of Trustees.

The Liberty Park proposal was not given a favorable preliminary review by the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission. Their review cited problems with traffic, road deterioration, change in rural character of area and impact on public services.

It is important to let the Board of Trustees know how YOU feel about this development. Please write the following individuals.

Richard A. DeLong, Supervisor, 2555 Scio Road
Robert A. Bliss, Trustee, 835 Honey Creek Drive
Kenneth C. Collica, Trustee, 1082 Wing
Terrance P. Conlin, Trustee, 3540 Daleview
Robert W. Foster, Trustee, 1128 Sullivan Drive
Gay Kenschuh, Clerk, 510 N. Zeeb Road
Donna Palmer, Treasurer, 827 N. Zeeb Road

we will let
you know
how they
vote.

SCIO LAND

This project was approved by the Scio Township Planning Commission at their December 22, 1987 meeting. The development consists of 273 acres in the southeast corner of the township behind Liberty Sports Complex extending south to Scio Church Road. It will add more than 1600 dwelling units and over 3900 persons to the township over the next 5-10 years. **This one project would increase housing in Scio Township by 50%.** A commercial area proposed by the developers was not approved by the commission. The Board of Trustees will be voting on this project soon.



GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Scio Township Planning Commission will be reviewing the township's General Development Plan over the next few months. This plan outlines the township's direction regarding development. **It is important that citizens participate in this process in order to have an effect on the character of the township.** Meetings to discuss the plan will be at the Scio Township Hall at 7:30 p.m. on the following nights:

January 20 - Work Session
February 2 - Public Hearing
February 17 - Work Session

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Lighthammer - proposed

40 acres rezoned from A1 to single family homes and townhouses (R1A, R1B, R2B) on Park Road

Lighthammer - approved

70 acres rezoned on Park Road. Zoning will accommodate 980 apartments

Grammatico - proposed

45.6 acres requested to be changed from A1 to C2 at northeast corner of Park and Zeeb Roads. To be called Scio Town Center Plaza. Would have over 900 parking spaces

Milan-Brody - approved

corner of Park and Zeeb Roads. Apartments for approximately 635 individuals

Milan-Brody - proposed

corner of Park and Zeeb Roads. Apartments for 800 individuals.

Scio Hills - approved

160 acres at the corner of Wagner and Miller Roads with 105 single family homes

Saginaw Hills - proposed (Public Hearing held Jan. 12)

27 acres with 17 single family homes on Liberty Road at Saginaw Forest

Avante - proposed (Public Hearing Jan. 26)

147.4 acres located between Craig Road, Miller Road and M-14 service drive. Rezoning from A2 to R1B (single family homes) and R2B (low density multiple family dwellings)

Avante - approved

32 acres at the corner of Park and Zeeb Roads. 56 condos (Parkwood Condominiums)

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WE'RE SMART

WE'RE NICE

WE'RE CORRECT

WE'RE GOOD LOOKIN'

(we're thrifty, clean, reverent, brave and hard-working!)

but

SO WHAT?

the above attributes won't help us a bit in our fight for appropriate development decisions in Scio Township.

What we need are good organization, money and broad-based support.

What are the goals of SCAD?

1. We want to preserve the semi-rural nature of our township.
2. Most residential development should consist of single family homes on large lots without changes in rezoning.
3. Commercial development should be restricted to the "Jackson Road Corridor" and be appropriate for a residential township.
4. A limited number of apartments and condominiums should be built. They should be restricted to the "Jackson Road Corridor" and within the present "sewer district".
5. Farming should be allowed to flourish and encouraged in the township.
6. We will draft and lobby for an ordinance which will mandate a limit on the Scio Township growth rate.
7. We will support a slate of candidates in the crucial August 1988 elections (there may not be much left to subdivide by 1992).

We are facing a group of smart, well-financed developers who will be very aggressive. They have plenty of time to influence our local officials and they have expensive and intelligent lawyers. Without a strong citizens organization, our township will soon look like Southfield or Troy. Please do not ignore this situation now or you may regret it in the future. **Please send in the form below and help provide us the means to accomplish the above goals.** You will receive our newsletter and other mailings.

Thank you from the SCAD Steering Committee.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ DONATION \$ _____ (\$10 suggested)

Make check payable to: Scio Citizens for Appropriate Development

Send to: Martha Fontaine
SCAD Treasurer
4315 Liberty Road
Ann Arbor 48103

JOIN US!

Please make sure you are registered to vote!