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Dear Supervisor Palchik,

A letter from VDOT to FCDOT on January 8 has come to our attention that directly calls into question the viability of the proposed transportation solutions for the 3033 Chain Bridge Rd (AT&T site) rezoning applications, in particular the innovative intersection, or Rosehaven Solution. The VDOT letter raises serious questions about whether the proposed solution is appropriate, effective, or in the best interest of the community. And yet this letter was not shared by FCDOT with the public through the PLUS system as required. FCDOT is now claiming that the letter, the most critical assessment of the Rosehaven Solution to date, is not information that must be shared with the public through the PLUS system. The facts:

- A January 8 letter was sent from VDOT and addressed to Marc Dreyfuss of Fairfax County Department of Transportation. Copied on the letter are two other FCDOT staff and three VDOT staff. The developer/applicant, EYA, is not addressed or copied on the letter. The letter is not marked confidential
- The letter states that **VDOT staff do not concur with the study results**. The letter is fairly technical but here are a few issues raised:
 - Upon further examination of the Quadrant Roadway (QR) [Rosehaven Solution] preliminary design drawings, VDOT has determined that the proposed configuration does not meet the criteria of a QR...As a result, the intersection configuration is not considered an Innovative Intersection.
 - The Rosehaven Solution would require the acquisition of right of way by exercising eminent domain, but since private developers do not have the authority to exercise eminent domain, the realignment might not be feasible and might never be implemented.
 - Que spillback at Chain Bridge/White Granite intersection shows that the transportation solution may not provide meaningful operational improvement but rather shifts queues and delays from one location to another.

FCDOT's explanation for why the VDOT letter was not shared on the County's PLUS system for public review: "This is all functionally correspondence between the applicant and VDOT (despite the misaddressing of the attached letter). FCDOT has not been part of the development of, nor review of, this information. As these are not submissions to the county or for county review, they were not uploaded into PLUS." Really? VDOT doesn't know how to address a letter properly? How gullible does the County think Oakton residents are?

This is on top of the recent bot attack on the Oakton Chain Bridge Corridor Congestion and Safety Study to sway the votes from 14% in favor of the Rosehaven Solution to 83% - and the corrupted results have now been posted publicly without removing the bot data!

What happened to transparency and the citizens first policy approach of Fairfax County? There is now a complete crisis of faith in our local government. It's looks a lot like the County and the developer are working together to ram through this rezoning application with total disregard for what the Oakton community wants or what amount of density Oakton's transportation infrastructure can sustain. We are long overdue for genuine community engagement on local development issues in Oakton.

Sincerely,

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