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#### March 2009 Newsletter

## LPA Recommends Against North River Village

The February 23rd LPA meeting resulted in a recommendation to the BOCC against transmittal based on the following staff findings of fact:

- The proposed amendment promotes urban sprawl.
- The proposed amendment sets a precedent for conversion of additional Rural lands.
- There are other economically viable uses for the site.
- The proposed amendment increases the allowable residential development on the Lee Plan's Future Land Use Map.
- Large portions of the site are included in the Costal High Hazard Area.
- Almost the entire area is located within the "Area Flooded by Tidal Surge (100 Year Storm)".
- Large portions of the property are depicted by FEMA as being in the floodway.
- There is no demonstrated need for expanding Lee Plan's Future Urban Areas.
- The property is located in one of the last truly rural areas of Lee County.
- The proposed amendment is not Smart Growth.

Staff estimates the proposal will be heard by the BOCC in the April-May timeframe or later.



#### BOCC Adopts Alva Community Plan, Caloosahatchee Shores change and Olga Community

Plan. February 25th was another great day for the citizens of East Lee County. After many years of hard work by staff and community members, the Alva Community Plan received its final approval for adoption. Also, Caloosahatchee Shores and Olga plans received approvals that will limit overdevelopment in east Lee County. Our commendations to all the citizens and staff who have worked hard on theses plans, and our sincere thanks to the BOCC for their continuing unanimous votes to preserve quality of life in East Lee County.



# Babcock Road Plan Overwhelms East Lee County.

A Feb 23rd Babcock presentation to the LPA proposed eight and ten-lane sections of many east Lee County roads to accommodate the traffic impact of the proposed Babcock Ranch. No road changes in Charlotte County were presented, thereby suggesting east Lee County assume the total burden. Babcock will present their proposal at the East Lee County Council meeting, March 17th, 6:30 PM, Olga Community Center. It is also scheduled to be a March 23rd LPA agenda item.



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**CELEBRATE. REMEMBER. FIGHT BACK** The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is coming to Riverdale High School May 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. It takes place in 19 countries worldwide and in over 4800 communities in the U.S. We celebrate at 6:00 PM May 15<sup>th</sup> when the event kicks off with the survivors lap. We remember at 9:00 PM the ones we have lost to cancer with Luminaria Ceremony. We fight back by joining the team and participating in this unique and worthwhile event. Alva Inc. has entered a team and we are looking for team members. For more details about Relay for Life please go to <a href="https://www.relayforlife.org/eastfortmyers.com">www.relayforlife.org/eastfortmyers.com</a>. Or contact BJ Gerald our team captain at bjgalva@embarqmail.com.



**March 7** (Saturday): Olga Community Club Pot Luck, Discussion of Jack's Marina expansion plans. 6:30 PM, Olga Community Center.

March 9 (Monday): Alva Inc. Meeting, Guest Speaker: Marti Daltry, The Green Monster - River Algae, and Fertilizer Ordinance enactment.7PM, Alva Community Center.

March 17 (Tuesday): ELCC Meeting, Babcock Road Plan, 6:30 PM, Olga Community Center.

March 23 (Monday): LPA Hearing, Babcock Road Plan, 8:30 AM, BOCC Chambers.

March 25 (Tuesday): Meet with Commissioner Brian Bigelow, 7 PM, Bayshore Fire Department.

April 18 (Saturday): Alva Spring Cleanup.

April 25 (Saturday): Alva Spring Fling, Alva School.

Next Meeting: Monday March 9th, 7PM, Alva Community Center



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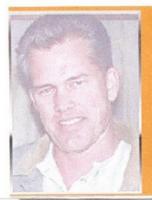
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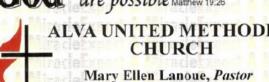
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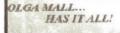


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