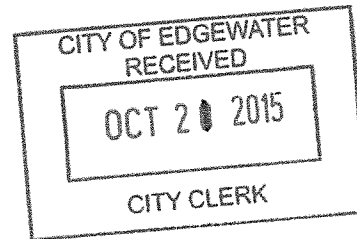


405 Central Mariners Drive
Edgewater, Florida 32141
October 20, 2015



Ms. Bonnie Brown, City Clerk
City of Edgewater, Florida
P.O. Box 100
104 N. Riverside Drive
Edgewater, Florida 32132

Re: Request to be placed on the November 16, 2015 City Council Meeting Agenda

Dear Ms. Brown,

The Mariners Gate Homeowners Association's (MGHOA) request for two (2) additional stop signs at the South intersection of Mariners Gate Drive with Central Mariners Drive was "not recommended for installation". The MGHOA requests to be placed on the November 16, 2015 Council meeting agenda to appeal this recommendation.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Goetze".

John A. Goetze
MGHOA Vice President

Encl: a. Letter MGHOA to Chief Arciere dated 9/3/15

b. Letter from Chief Arciere to MGHOA dated 9/29/15

CC: w/o encl. - Chief Arciere

September 3, 2015

**David Arciere, Chief
Edgewater Police Department
135 East Park Avenue
Edgewater, Florida 32132**

Re: Three-Way Stop Sign Request in Mariners Gate Development

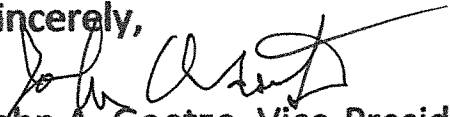
Dear Chief Arciere,

The Mariners Gate Homeowners Association would request that two (2) additional STOP signs be installed on Mariners Gate Drive at the South intersection with Central Mariners Drive. The placement of these signs would encourage drivers to heed the 20 mph speed limit, thus creating a safer environment for the families of Mariners Gate. It also might deter the through traffic from Falcon Avenue and Cocoa Palm Drive.

The residents of Mariners Gate would appreciate your approval of our request. The HOA is willing to pay the expenses incurred for the placement of the signage, if approved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


**John A. Goetze, Vice-President
Mariners Gate Homeowners Association
405 Central Mariners Drive**



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September 29, 2015

John Goetze
405 Central Mariner's Drive
Edgewater, FL 32141

Mr. Goetze:

Recently, you submitted a request for regulatory signage to be added at the Mariners Gate Subdivision. I have reviewed your request and completed a feasibility study.

A stop sign is one of our most valuable and effective traffic control devices when used at the right place and under the right conditions. It is intended to help drivers and pedestrians at an intersection decide who has the right-of-way.

One common misuse of stop signs is to arbitrarily interrupt through traffic, either by causing it to stop, or by causing such an inconvenience as to force the traffic to use other routes. Where stop signs are installed as "deterrents" or "speed breakers", there is a high incidence of intentional violations. In those locations where vehicles do stop, the speed reduction is effective only in the immediate vicinity of the stop sign, and frequently speeds are actually higher between intersections. For these reasons, it should not be used as a volume or speed control device.

Well-developed, national and state recognized guidelines help to indicate when such controls become necessary. These guidelines take into consideration, among other things, the probability of vehicles arriving at an intersection at the same time, the length of time traffic must wait to enter, traffic delays, and the availability of safe crossing opportunities.

Based on City Policy and the feasibility study of need for a stop sign at that intersection, I have concluded that a stop sign should not be installed. If you are dissatisfied with the findings, you may appeal the *not recommended for installation* decision by requesting to be placed on the next available City Council agenda to present your rationale and additional information at the City Council meeting.

Sincerely;

David J. Arcieri, Chief of Police
DJA/mjg