



## CITY OF DORAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

All residents, property owners and other interested parties are hereby notified of a **Zoning Workshop Meeting on Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 6:00 PM.** This meeting will be held at the **City of Doral, Government Center, Council Chambers located at 8401 NW 53rd Terrace, Doral, FL. 33166** to consider the following public hearing application:

**HEARING NO.:** 17-08-DOR-10

**APPLICANT:** Maple Multifamily Land Southeast, LLC

**PROJECT NAME:** Atrium at Doral

**LOCATION:** The subject property is generally located on the northwest corner of Doral Boulevard (south) and NW 79th Avenue (east), just west of the Palmetto Expressway.

**SIZE OF PROPERTY:** 11.23 +/- Acres

**Folio No.:** 35-3027-001-0120; 35-3027-001-0112

**REQUEST:** The Atrium at Doral proposed initial development program contemplates 81,271 square feet of commercial uses (74,500 square feet of retail including a potential fitness center, and 6,580 square feet of restaurant) and 350 multi-family units.

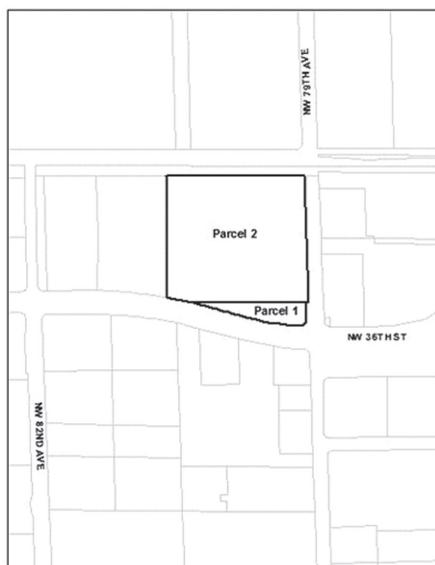
**ZONING WORKSHOP PROCESS:** The zoning workshop consists of two sessions:

1. First Session. The first session of a zoning workshop shall provide a forum for members of the public to learn about proposed developments within the city. Developments may be presented to the public simultaneously, in several locations within the meeting site. During this session, members of the public are encouraged to ask questions and to provide feedback to the applicant about the proposed development. The applicant shall provide visual depictions, such as renderings, drawings, pictures, and the location of the proposed development. In addition, representatives of the applicant shall be available to answer questions that members of the public may have about the proposed development. The members of the City Council shall not be present during the first session of the zoning workshop. No meeting shall start before 6:00 PM Eastern Standard Time and shall take place at a time and date to maximize public participation.

2. Second Session. The second session of a zoning workshop shall provide a forum for the City Council to learn about the proposed developments discussed at the first session of the zoning workshop. No quorum requirement shall apply. Developments shall be presented by the applicants sequentially, one at a time, for the City Council's review and comment. The applicant shall again present visual depictions of the proposed development. In addition, the applicant shall be available to answer any questions that members of the City Council may have about the proposed development.

**No quorum requirement shall apply nor will any vote on any project be taken, but roll call will be taken, as it is a publicly noticed meeting.**

Location Map



Information relating to this request is on file and may be examined in the City of Doral, Planning and Zoning Department located at **8401 NW 53rd Terrace, Doral, FL. 33166.** All persons are invited to appear at this meeting or be represented by an agent, or to express their views in writing addressed to the City Clerk, **8401 NW 53rd Terrace, Doral, FL. 33166.** Maps and other data pertaining to these applications are available for public inspection during normal business hours in City Hall. Any persons wishing to speak at a public hearing should register with the City Clerk prior to that item being heard. Inquiries regarding the item may be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes If a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. This notice does not constitute consent by the City for introduction or admission of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL no later than three (3) business days prior to the proceeding.

NOTE: If you are not able to communicate, or are not comfortable expressing yourself, in the English language, it is your responsibility to bring with you an English-speaking interpreter when conducting business at the City of Doral during the zoning application process up to, and including, appearance at a hearing. This person may be a friend, relative or someone else. A minor cannot serve as a valid interpreter. The City of Doral DOES NOT provide translation services during the zoning application process or during any quasi-judicial proceeding.

NOTA: Si usted no está en capacidad de comunicarse, o no se siente cómodo al expresarse en inglés, es de su responsabilidad traer un intérprete del idioma inglés cuando trate asuntos públicos o de negocios con la Ciudad de Doral durante el proceso de solicitudes de zonificación, incluyendo su comparecencia a una audiencia. Esta persona puede ser un amigo, familiar o alguien que le haga la traducción durante su comparecencia a la audiencia. Un menor de edad no puede ser intérprete. La Ciudad de Doral NO suministra servicio de traducción durante ningún procedimiento o durante el proceso de solicitudes de zonificación.

Connie Diaz, CMC  
City Clerk  
City of Doral

## FROM THE COURTS

# Accusation Raises Question: Should Pete Rose Have Stepped Up to the Plate With Lawsuit?

by Max Mitchell

Former baseball star Pete Rose's defamation lawsuit against a member of President Donald Trump's legal team took a hit Monday when a court filing brought to light allegations from an alleged victim who said she had sex with Rose while under the age of 16. The filing significantly shifts the focus of the litigation, and has left some wondering whether Rose should have filed the case at all.

"If there's stuff like that out there, you have to question if you want to step up to the batter's box," defamation lawyer George Bochetto of Bochetto & Lentz said. "That's always the problem with bringing a defamation action. To the extent that there's any dirt out there, even if it's unrelated to the defamation, it's still part of his reputation, so you run the risk of having all this stuff come out of the woodwork."

Bochetto noted that context is extremely significant in these cases, and, without reviewing all of the case files, there no way to say whether or not Rose ultimately should have brought the claims. However, he said the fact that these allegations are now out there for public consumption presents a major hurdle for Rose, who played mainly with the Cincinnati Reds and Philadelphia Phillies during a long career in which he set the Major League Baseball record for most hits.

"The mere fact that there's someone out there making that attestation is very difficult to deal with from a plaintiff's point of view," Bochetto said.

Attorney Jim Beasley said he always advises clients about the potential for increased negative publicity when filing a defamation suit. The new accusations against Rose, he said, now create a question of fact, which could lead to a difficult "he said/she said" dispute at trial.

"Public figures have got to be super careful. The worst thing that can happen is if he loses," Beasley said.

Matthew Weisberg of Weisberg Law who handles defamation cases said he could see either side filing a motion for summary judgment after attorney John Dowd and the accuser are deposed because a determination that Dowd's statements were true would be "insurmountable" to the litigation.

Weisberg said—given Dowd's alleged on-air statements, Dowd's history with Rose and the ex-ballplayer's allegation he lost an endorsement contract as a result of Dowd's comments—it makes sense for Rose to continue pursuing the litigation despite the negative publicity.

"That's the problem with all defamation lawsuits. It draws attention to the defamatory statements," he said. "That said, it's possible the claimed victim herself was being slanderous. You have a duty of investigation. You can't merely repeat slander."

The recent allegations were made as part of a motion to compel that Dowd filed Monday.

The motion says a woman, identified in the document under the name Jane Doe, filed a declaration with the court saying she had sex with Rose while under the age of 16, which is the age of consent in Ohio. In response to a discovery request from Dowd, Rose responded that he had engaged in sex with the woman, but that the relationship began in 1975 when she was 16.

According to the defense motion, Rose refused to answer additional questions about his credibility, or about allegations that he had sex with other teenagers. The motion further said Rose also refused to answer questions about his mental health, which Dowd argued is relevant, since Rose has claimed to have suffered mental anguish as a result of the alleged defamation.

Rose, according to the motion, cited privacy concerns, but Dowd said that argument is "absurd."

"If Rose did not want to answer questions about having sex with teenagers, his well-documented history of lying, or his mental health, he should not have filed this lawsuit," the motion said.

Rose's attorney said the statements are false.

"The affidavit is false. It's an attempt by Dowd to avoid a trial," New York-based attorney Martin Garbus said. "We go to trial at the beginning of next year, and Pete will recover a judgment. Pete will win."

Garbus said the litigation will likely move on to depositions of Rose and Dowd. He also said Rose's legal team had been aware of the allegations previously.

"We saw the affidavit before and we said it was false," Garbus said. "That's just Dowd ... releasing something like this."

Dowd's attorney, Amy Ginensky of Pepper Hamilton, declined to comment.

Attorneys said Rose's team will now have to dig into Doe's credibility, and look specifically into why she made the statement now, whether she had any financial incentive to make the statements, and whether she had any "axe to grind." The fact that the accusation came out in such a public manner could also become a point of contention later in the litigation, Bochetto also noted.

Bochetto said there's no telling whether the fact that Dowd is on Trump's legal team could become significant in the litigation. But, one thing that is known about Dowd is that he is a "very prominent and well-known lawyer and litigator," Bochetto said.

"If you're Pete Rose, and you're going to sue this prominent and powerful attorney for defamation, you damn well better expect a powerful defense," Bochetto said.

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