

Residents have complained loudly over the planned development, saying it would ruin their quality of life.

The developer's plans will now be processed under rules that were in place before the city made changes to them.

But Ladenburg said the problems with the St. Helens/Broadway LID were more troubling because she felt city officials weren't being honest with council members.

"I feel like I've lost trust with that department," she said.

"Last week was a very bad week," Councilman Jake Fey said, echoing Ladenburg's comments. The golf course and the proposed LID both fall within Fey's council district. Fey said he wasn't in a position to know the details about which employee did or didn't do what, but he supported Anderson.

"I do believe those were major mistakes," he said. "I believe there need to be consequences."

Manthou said the mistake regarding the golf course appeal was "pretty basic." Someone just made an error, he said. But Manthou, a former city employee, said Sivley came up during a different era when city officials were accustomed to pushing projects through without public input. The owners of a majority of the property in the area affected by the LID opposed the project.

"We're trying to bring back trust and transparency," Manthou said. "It's a different age. This council's not there to rubber-stamp things. It's not like the old days."

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