

ATLANTA BRAVES CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH SARASOTA COUNTY AND WEST VILLAGES

POSSIBLE RELOCATION OF BRAVES' SPRING TRAINING FACILITY

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West Villages, Fla—Atlanta Braves Vice Chairman John Schuerholz has requested Sarasota County Commission continue discussions with the team about a potential Atlanta Braves' spring training facility in Sarasota County. The proposed campus in the master-planned community of West Villages is envisioned to have training facilities, practice fields as well as a 7,500-seat stadium. The location is a 100-150 acre site adjacent to State College of Florida-Venice, with direct access to US 41 and West Villages Parkway.

The team, Sarasota County and the developers of West Villages have been in discussions for almost a year. Mr. Schuerholz stated in his letter to Sarasota County Administrator, Tom Harmer, "...We have retained design and construction consultants to assist us and the local landowner team in further refining the scope and cost of a potential spring training facility."

"We're eager to continue this discussion as we determine what is best for our community, the county and the team," stated West Villages General Manager Martin Black. "This can generate important economic growth in our region and create a destination that benefits people throughout the area."

The area surrounding the proposed spring training campus consists of four premier neighborhoods, selling more than 700 new homes annually—accounting for over 40% of new home sales in Sarasota County. It's a strong pre-retiree/retiree and family market that enjoys high household disposable income. Regionally, this is centrally located, with the Spring Training complexes of the Red Sox, Twins and Rays to the south and the Orioles, Pirates, Yankees, Jays and Phillies to the North—all within easy I-75 or US 41 access.

About West Villages

The 10,000 acres that comprise the West Villages (www.MyWestVillages.com) are located adjacent to the US Highway 41 corridor in South Sarasota County between the urban centers of the City of Venice and the City of North Port. The community is being developed by a partnership that includes Mattamy Homes (www.MattamyHomes.com), the largest privately owned home builder in North America, and Vanguard Land, one of the region's premier and well-respected land developers.

About Mattamy Homes

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