

Save Folly's Future

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Mission: Reverse Island's Population Decline

Folly Beach Candidates Forum Tuesday - October 17th - 7pm Tides Hotel

Streamed live at: [Counton2.com](https://counton2.com)

Sponsored by The Folly Beach Civic Club

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Oct 2nd - Nov 6th (weather permitting)

Across from the post Office

For: Yard Signs, Buttons & Conversation

Save Folly's Future Supports

- **Keeping the Cap at 800 with no possibility of a Golden License**
- **A family friendly wait list with penalty free intrafamily transfer possibilities.**
- **Mandatory Noise Monitoring for every ISTR.**

Is the Referendum in Danger of being Erased?

Q & A by *John McFarland*

1. Do you really believe the Referendum victory on Feb 7th is in danger of being erased? **Yes, I believe the past actions of council members is the best indicator of their future actions.**

2. Meaning What? **On June 28, 2022 five city council members voted to kill the Mayor's original ordinance to limit Investment STRs to 800. They killed it in 127 seconds without even discussing why they were opposed.**

Only Katherine Houghton and Mayor Goodwin dissented.

3. But that was before the Referendum, could they have changed their positions?

Maybe, but I don't think so. Just two months ago three members of the council sponsored an ordinance to allow an unspecified number of ISTR licenses to be issued to an unnamed group of property owners. It was defeated in a tie vote when Katherine Houghton, Adam Barker and Mayor Goodwin voted NO.

4. Are you saying they had no right to do it?

Not at all. They did nothing unethical or illegal when they tried to pass Ordinance 17-23.

A majority vote of a city council can alter or totally cancel a Citizen's Referendum at any time.

The fact that it failed on a 3 to 3 tie shows how close we came to a major change to the Referendum.

5. Do you think such a thing will happen again?

Absolutely! I think the goal is to create so many exceptions that we never fall to 800.

6. What will it take to maintain the cap at 800 and allow the referendum to function as envisioned?

Elect candidates that genuinely support the Referendum.

7. What would you say to your detractors that disagree with you and voted NO on Feb 7th?

There are 8 candidates running for 3 council seats. In my opinion, there are 3 candidates that want to preserve the cap, 3 that want to significantly alter it and 2 that are appealing to both sides. You have choices. Vote for the candidates that represent your point of view.

Every election is pivotal and this one is no different. On Nov 7th you will determine Folly's direction for the next two years.

Support the Feb 7th Decision to Cap ISTRs at 800

Keep the Cap



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Editorial- My View from the Hill

by John McFarland

To have an ISTR license for years and then to expect that after a transfer the new owner would be able to jump the wait list line and get a new ISTR license is so wrong. Folly would be creating a Golden License for a select few and cheating every property owner on the wait list. And, the fact of the matter is, almost all of those ISTR Golden Licenses would go to outside investors, not residents.

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