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Well, we have had an official Hurricane Watch put into effect for the arrival of Nicole likely on Wednesday running through Thursday morning with plenty of rain and wind. We have already begun the preparations at the pool and clubhouse, and I toured the community with Patrick this morning. You, too, should be preparing:

- Folks, please start moving your belongings inside your unit. Call your house sitters for assistance or scheduling with moving things and closing your awnings. Winds are currently predicted at 40-50 mph Wed and may reach as high as 60-80+ mph on Thursday morning along our coastline so planters, chairs, and other personal items are highly likely to become airborne. You will be responsible for any damage caused to your property or failure to take necessary steps to secure the outside of your unit.
- Awnings should be brought down to cover windows, especially those covering non-upgraded glass. Window damage can cause extensive interior damage not only to your unit but to the other units in your building.
- Rain expectations are currently 3-5 inches but that too could change, and water problems really depend on how fast it goes down. 3-5 inches over a couple of days is manageable. 3-5 inches in a couple of hours is another story.
- **NO PROPANE TANKS inside the units or laundry rooms!!!** I know, I know- but they are dangerous and if ignited can take out a multi-unit building.
- We are overloaded with potted plants on patios and on the grass in Section 1- this is an issue even without a hurricane and should be corrected immediately. You should only have things out there that can be moved in during such storms, are placed on your patio, do not block access to the water faucets by your building neighbors, and no pots or furniture are allowed out on the lawns in the grass.
- We are not looking for an Ian type event, but electrical disruption is always a possibility. Charge those phones and check the batteries in the flashlight or prepare to sit in the dark. Grab a few books out of the library at the clubhouse now as we may move to shut down the clubhouse and pool area for the duration of the storm.

Please take this and every named storm seriously as we have all seen the damage they can bring, especially to those who are unprepared. We will keep an eye on things and if we need to alert you further, we will use email and channel 97. Please share this alert with neighbors who may not have electronic access and lend a hand on the small things if you can. But do not hurt yourself or overexert-call a handy man or house sitter for help. LT

REMEMBER: THINGS CAN BE REPLACED. PEOPLE CANNOT....

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