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Subject: RE: Venice Chapter, meeting with City Council

Ellen,

Thank you and Kate for agreeing to give City Council a presentation on how the City is doing in relation to providing a safer environment for the visually impaired. The area of immediate concern is the Venice By-pass as we get ready to widen it from the current 4 lanes to 6 lanes. I want to be sure that we haven't missed anything in our reports and requests to FDOT on how to make the intersections and walkways as safe as possible for all people.

The other areas and ideas you expressed in your e mail would be equally important for us to hear, especially any concerns Kate has as a student at VHS. We will try to get you on as close as possible to 9:30 and you should plan on 15 minutes or less for your presentation followed by a few minutes of questions and answers. If you have a power point you would like to use, contact Lori Stelzer (lstelzer@venicegov.com) and she will guide you through the procedures to have it ready on November 10 when you arrive.

Thank you and Kate again for agreeing to come to this meeting to give us an update.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

From: Ellen Hillstrom [<mailto:ellen91@comcast.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:22 PM
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Subject: Venice Chapter, meeting with City Council

Dear Mayor John Holic,

Kate and I accept your invitation to address Venice City Council on Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to speak on issues of concern for the visually impaired during the next few years of anticipated road improvements on the Venice Bypass particularly. Please send me the specific areas affected. Our discussion will most likely be on pedestrian crossings, movement of traffic around the high school, day and night, how SCAT Plus buses may be challenged, and the like. Maybe advance notice of sections closed and alternate routes. We can only be general, of course, but maybe expand questions about our group's mission.

How much time do we have? How soon after 9:00 will we be called up to speak? (Kate will need to return to school.)

Thank you. Ellen

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