

**From:** [Mary Jo Herman](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
**Subject:** Meeting  
**Date:** Saturday, May 20, 2023 7:21:31 AM

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Would someone be able to explain to me why Venice theater wants to be moved to the edge District?  
Pros and cons would be helpful.

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**From:** [Gail Kear](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
**Subject:** Rezone Venice Theatre  
**Date:** Saturday, May 20, 2023 9:13:32 AM

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Please support rezoning Venice Theatre to the Edge District. The Theatre is a jewel of Venice, and it's important to support them in any way we can during their recovery from hurricane damage.

Gail Kear

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**From:** [emckee3110@aol.com](mailto:emckee3110@aol.com)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
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**Subject:** Support Venice Theatre Rezoning Application  
**Date:** Saturday, May 20, 2023 9:47:48 AM

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Dear Venice City Council Members:

I am writing to you collectively to ask each of you to support and approve Venice Theatre's rezoning application, moving its facilities to the Edge District, on the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

This June will mark my second year as a permanent resident of the greater Venice area. When I moved here I knew very little about our community. Since then every time I venture into this charming city I am more and more seduced, if that's possible, by its charm, its history and its past commitment to the arts and especially the performing arts.

Each of you council members' sought out and ran for this office, motivated to serve, maintain and improve your community for the greater good. I can imagine running a municipality can be daunting at times, dealing with many competing interests and having to do so, careful to comply with the many legal regulations, while having to navigate a responsible course that, over time, will allow for growth, mindful not to forget to build upon what very important building blocks, Venice Theatre being one of those building blocks, that made this city a very desirable destination for those that vacation and live here. In addition, This community theatre company is arguably one of the best troupes of its kind in the country.

Respectfully, from every every angle I view this project, mindful that even your Planning Commission recommends that this rezoning application be approved, I view its approval as a win-win economically, culturally and for the overall quality of life for those that make their livelihoods and established residents here.

Sincerely,  
Edward F. McKee  
Venice, Florida

**From:** [Ann Potter](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
**Subject:** Venice theatre  
**Date:** Saturday, May 20, 2023 6:39:24 PM

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I support the Venice theatre in rebuilding as and how they need to.

They are a huge asset for Venice as the number 2 in the country, community theatre ! I am certain that their contribution to the city and surrounding area helps to support local restaurants as well as visitors and local residents. They are one of the important assets that make Venice a really nice place to live!

Please do the right thing and support them!!

Ann Potter  
Almost 20 year resident and 20 years before, visitor due to family member residents

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Venice 34292

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**From:** [dennisrehoboth@aol.com](mailto:dennisrehoboth@aol.com)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
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**Subject:** Venice Theatre  
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**I HOPE THE REZONING FOR THE VENICE THEATER IS APPROVED. THE THEATER IS THE MAIN REASON I HAVE BEEN COMING TO VENICE FOR YEARS. I HAVE DEVELOPED A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE THEATER. TWICE THEY BROUGHT SHOWS TO MY TOWN REHOBOTH BEACH DELAWARE.**

**I HAVE ALSO HOUSED ACTORS DURING THEIR aactWORLDFFEST**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.**

**DENNIS CHUPELLA  
REHOBOTH BEACH, DELAWARE**

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**From:** [Marilyn Runnels](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
**Subject:** Venice theatre  
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Venice Theatre has been a special joy in this community since 1950's. We can not let them go, suffer from the damage of hurricane Ian. Please listen to their needs and approve them. Thank you, Marti Runnels

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**From:** [Gerald Grens](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
**Subject:** Venice Theatre request to City of Venice  
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I support the Venice Theatre in their request. They are a huge asset to the community and I feel strongly this should be accommodated .

Sincerely,

Jerry Grens  
217 Capriana Court  
N. Venice, FL 34275

**From:** [bcocchi@aol.com](mailto:bcocchi@aol.com)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)  
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Venice Theatre is an amazing, highly valued entertainment venue for the city of Venice and Sarasota County.

I fully support its plans to improve and restore the theatre building and ask the city to do the same.

Please approve the requested zone change.

Barbara and Anello Cocchi  
148 Venice Palms Blvd  
Venice

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