

From: [Marie Clements](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Approval of Sawgrass PUD
Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023 6:02:40 PM

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We are residents of the Sawgrass community in Venice and have been for many years. We are writing to urge the Venice City Council to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written. The Coral Hospitality Group, having recently acquired the golf course, should not be allowed to stop this correction to a PUD. This should have been corrected many years ago.

Thank you,

Marie and Robert Clements
607 Pond Willow Lane
Venice, FL 34292

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From: [Edward Balchunas](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Approval requested for Sawgrass PUD
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Good afternoon

I've been a Sawgrass resident for the past seven years. One of the reasons I moved here was because of the open spaces and larger lot sizes.

I understand that there is a second reading of the Sawgrass PUD, on November 28th, with a vote to follow. Please vote in favor of the Sawgrass PUD as originally written.

Sincerely

Edward Balchunas

From: [Olga Hallstedt](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Approve Sawgrass PUD as originally written.
Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023 10:13:01 AM

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Please refer to Subject line. Thank you. Olga Hallstedt 516 Marsh Venice, FL.

From: [Sharon Kent](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Approve the Sawgrass PUD
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Need to approve the Sawgrass PUD to protect all the residents and their community

From: [Sue](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Plea to approve Sawgrass PUD
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Good evening. We purchased our dream home in Sawgrass community knowing that the golf course (which is our current view) would remain as is. Our taxes are extremely high as was the cost of our home to live in this community. We implore the Venice City Council to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written and thus assumed prior to purchasing our property.

Thank you,
Eddy & Sue Piazza

From: m.plageman@verizon.net
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: PUD in Sawgrass
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I moved into the Sawgrass Development in 2001, it was a beautiful place to live and still is. I am asking you to vote YES to keep Sawgrass a PUD as written in the beginning.

Thank you for your service.

Martha Plageman

438 Otter Creek Dr.

Venice Fl. 34292

Sawgrass Development

From: [Randall Hoerauf](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: PUD Involving Sawgrass - Scheduled Vote on November 28
Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023 4:16:08 PM

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Dear City Council Member;

I write to request that you vote in favor of implementing the PUD as first voted on October 24, 2023 for the following reasons.

--[if !supportLists]-->1. <!--[endif]-->By the City Council's own admission, enacting a PUD for Sawgrass is a multi-year oversight by the Council,

--[if !supportLists]-->2. <!--[endif]-->As a former Mergers and Acquisition professional, I know that due diligence is the responsibility of a buyer; failure to execute a good due diligence process (that would disclose the pending PUD) is the fault of the buyer, not of its neighbors,

--[if !supportLists]-->3. <!--[endif]-->The owner of the Sawgrass 9-hole course is an operator of golf courses and is not a developer; the City should recognize this and allow them their historic purpose without harming others by NEWLY inserting the development potential of their property,

--[if !supportLists]-->4. <!--[endif]-->Sawgrass homeowners have depended on the current conditions for buying and selling their homes; revision to the pending PUD would be financially crippling to their home values, would have to be revealed in selling documents and would, pre-development of the Sawgrass 9-holes, immediately damage home values,

--[if !supportLists]-->5. <!--[endif]-->The threat of lawsuit by the owner of the Sawgrass 9-hole course would pale in comparison to the size of a lawsuit against the City by the Sawgrass homeowners,

--[if !supportLists]-->6. <!--[endif]-->SAWGRASS RESIDENTS ARE VOTERS AND THE DEVELOPER IS NOT.

In conclusion, I invite you to do the right thing and approve the original PUD that has been promised by the City for many years. It is in the best interest of voters, homeowners and the City.

Sincerely,

Randall T. and Ingrid Hoerauf

409 Otter Creek Drive

Venice, FL 34292

From: [Rich Dalton](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: PUD Sawgrass Community
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As residents of Sawgrass we greatly appreciate your 6-1 vote to approve the recommendations of the planning commission. On November 28th you will have the second reading and our hope is that you will continue to support the PUD without amendments.

Sincerely,

Pat & Rich Dalton
710 Sawgrass Bridge Road

From: [Ken Mathys](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: PUD vote on Sawgrass Neighborhood
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We are writing to urge you to unanimously vote to approve The Sawgrass PUD as originally written at your upcoming meeting on 11/28/23. As you know this should have been completed approximately five years ago, but for some reason was ignored. This puts Sawgrass into accordance with the Venice City Plan which when followed guides growth and development. We deserve to be recognized and protected from any attempt to develop the golf course land as it is part of the required open space in Sawgrass. Frankly, many of the residents of Venice are getting very tired of developers and builders' interests being placed ahead of the people who live here. Please do your duty to protect the people of Venice and especially Sawgrass.

Sincerely,
Ken and Gayle Mathys
329 Otter Creek Dr.
Venice, FL 34292

From: [spam options](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass Community - PUD
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As a resident of the Sawgrass Community since 2001, I urge the Venice City Council to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written.

Thank you for honoring my request.

Geraldine Cwik
394 Otter Creek Drive
Venice, Fl. 34292

From: [Charles Fox](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass Community (PUD)
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To whom it may concern.

I am a resident of the sawgrass community and expressing my concern with regards to the Sawgrass Community as a (PUD).

Please vote to approve the Sawgrass Community as a Planned Unit Development (PUD) as originally written.

Thank you.

Sawgrass Community Resident
Charles Fox
731 Egret Walk Ln
Venice, FL 34292

From: [James Everts](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: SAWGRASS COMMUNITY AS A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT
Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023 11:04:30 AM

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We strongly request that you APPROVE the Sawgrass Community PUD , AS ORIGINALLY WRITTEN, when this subject comes up at the second reading, now scheduled for your meeting November 28,2023. Please keep our existing community intact !! THANK YOU ! Signed by James and Phyllis Everts, 534 Sawgrass Bridge Rd.,Venice, Florida.

From: sltyaro@verizon.net
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass Community PUD
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Venice City Council,

As a 12 year resident of the Sawgrass Community, I am asking the City Council of Venice to approve the Sawgrass PUD as "originally written" at the second reading to be held on November 28th.

We selected the Sawgrass area after retiring to live in a community with natural preserves, friendly neighbors and removed from large scale developments. I am concerned that the Coral Hospitality Group is not concerned with "neighborhood" communities but only securing other type of revenue streams. The cost of golf memberships at the recent purchase of the 3 golf courses and raising the menu prices is ridiculous. They have no consideration for the people in the Venice area and I don't trust them long term.

Please support the people in the community that have supported Venice over many years.
Thank you for your consideration and look forward to your favorable vote.

Stan and Linda Yaro

From: [John's Comcast E-mail](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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A Good Afternoon to All City Council Members:

We are residents in the Sawgrass Community and are writing to you today to request your vote to approve the recommendation of the Venice City Planner to formally recognize the Sawgrass Community as an approved "Planned Unit Development" (PUD) at your meeting on November 28, 2023. We thank you for your support and efforts to correct this administrative oversight.

Sincere regards,

John & Katharine Racine
576 Sawgrass Bridge Road
810-287-6800

From: [Steve Metz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass Community PUD
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As longtime residents of the beautiful Sawgrass neighborhood, we urge the Venice City Council to approve the Sawgrass Community as a PUD as originally written. We love our neighborhood and wish to protect the community we enjoy so much. Thank you, Steve and Marian Metz, 452 Arborview Lane in Sawgrass

Sent from my iPad

From: [Doreen Calder](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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To our elected City Councilpersons - as Sawgrass residents and citizens of Venice, my husband Gordon and I urge you to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written, at the second reading that you are planning to conduct on November 28, 2023.

Kind Regards,

Doreen & Gordon Calder
333 Marsh Creek Rd
dmwcalder@gmail.com

From: [Gary Grim](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass PUD Vote
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Please approve the the Sawgrass PUD as it was _originally written at your next meeting. Protect our homes. Thanks, Gary Grim

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Gary L. Grim
[635 Sawgrass Bridge Rd, Venice, FL 34292](#)

From: [rosemary Grim](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass PUD
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Please approve the Sawgrass Community PUD as originally intended. Thank you for your consideration.

Rosemary Grim
635 Sawgrass Bridge Rd.

From: mdvanech@verizon.net
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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Council Members,

As residents of Sawgrass since 2004, we request your support to vote favorably for Sawgrass to be designated as a PUD at the next City Council meeting on October 28th.

Thank you,
Michael and Beverly Vanech
331 Otter Creek Drive
Venice, FL 34292

From: [Bill Thorn](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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On behalf of my wife Barbara Thorn and myself, William Thorn, as owners of a property in the Sawgrass Community at 429 Marsh Creek Road we urge the council to approve the Sawgrass PUD, as originally written, at the upcoming November 28, 2023, Venice City Council meeting. Please note that William is a member of the Waterford Golf Club, recently acquired by the Coral Hospitality Group, and is interested in the profitability of the owner and yet still strongly urges the council to approve the PUD as originally written.

Regards,

William & Barbara Thorn
429 Marsh Creek Road
Venice, FL 34292

From: [pat behe](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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Please, I support this effort

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Pat

From: jspyankes@aol.com
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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I would like to express our support for the Sawgrass PUD. Please approve the Sawgrass PUD as it was originally written.

Sincerely,

Joseph and Patti Paravati
318 Marsh Creek Rd
Venice, FL 34292

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From: [Jacqueline Reilly](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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As a resident of Sawgrass I urge the city council to approve the PUD as originally written. Thank you!
Jacqueline Reilly
632 Misty Pine Drive
Venice, Fl 34292

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From: [Joe Fasi](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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Venice City Council:

We are asking you to approve the Sawgrass Community PUD at the November 28, 2023 council meeting.

Thank you for your support,
Joe & Charlene Fasi
592 Mossy Creek Dr.
Venice, FL 34292
charjof@aol.com

From: [Randy Trachte](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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As a resident of Sawgrass I am urging the Venice City Council to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written. This action is definitely in the interest of the Sawgrass residents. I think all residents would have a feeling of comfort through your action.

Thank You,

Randy Trachte
554 Sawgrass Bridge Road

From: [Dennis Lorenz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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Please approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written.

Dennis Lorenz & Martha Lorenz
763 Sawgrass Bridge
Venice FL 34292

From: [LD Gunkel](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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I'm writing regarding the original PUD plan which was widely accepted by Sawgrass residents. We purchased our home in Sawgrass just two years ago and were so happy to be part of the Sawgrass community.

This was before The Coral Hospitality Group purchased our golf course. Now it seems that the Sawgrass community has no say in what we like versus what the new owners of the golf course wants.

We are writing to request the Sawgrass PUD by passed as originally written. Again this is what we all agreed to prior to the sell of the golf course.

Thank you
Larry and Diana Gunkel
374 Marsh Landing Way
Venice Fl 34292

941-499-4301

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From: [Joyce Toms](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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It is absolutely critical that Council members approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally proposed. As a Sawgrass resident of 20 years no one knew that we hadn't been included in the Venice plan. It's a City oversight that must be corrected. Do not penalize Sawgrass residents. Please vote yes on this second reading as originally proposed and let us return to our lives without worry .
Thank you
Joyce Toms

From: [PETER A. PAGANO](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
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Dear Council members,
At the November 28th council meeting, please vote in favor of the Sawgrass PUD as originally written!
Thank You
Peter A Pagano
618 Sawgrass Bridge Road
Venice, Florida

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From: [Stephen Saewert](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: Sawgrass Upcoming PUD Vote
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To All Venice City Council Members,

My wife and I, Sawgrass residents for twenty plus years, **urge you to vote to approve the Sawgrass PUD as originally written** at the upcoming second reading to be held on November 28, 2023.

The primary reasons for approving this PUD are:

This was the original intent when Venice annexed Sawgrass. Sawgrass residents were promised five years ago that this would be fixed. Fixing it is long overdue. This is an unconscionable bid to exploit a loophole that would change the established land uses that we have depended upon to protect our neighborhood from unwanted development. Development of the golf course for uses other than originally intended would have a devastating impact on our property values, in which most residents have invested a major share of their assets, which took a lifetime to earn. Losing that equity will have a ruinous impact to each of our assets on which we depend for our current existence and future long term care. Perhaps most importantly beyond Sawgrass, allowing exploitation of such a loophole would send a strong “Welcome” message to other developers to come to Venice and try every trick in the legal book to gain access to ‘off limits’ land to develop.

We sincerely and respectfully request that you vote FOR the PUD as originally written.

Thank You,

Stephen and Patricia Saewert
582 Mossy Creek Dr.
Venice Fl. 34292

From: [John Budd](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kelly Michaels](#); [Mercedes Barcia](#); [Toni Cone](#); [Amanda Hawkins-Brown](#)
Subject: The Sawgrass Community PUD Second Reading Comment
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Dear City of Venice, City Council Members,

Please see--ATTACHED--my personal letter expressing mine and my wife, Christine's important views concerning your upcoming, scheduled Second Reading of our Sawgrass Community PUD and the important vote you will be casting.

We urge you to VOTE for our Sawgrass Community PUD '**As Written**' so as to ensure our beautiful community will continue to be beautiful and desirable for future years to come.

Thank you for your attention.

John and Christine Budd
375 Otter Creek Drive
Venice, FL 34292
540-270-5147