

From: [Lori Stelzer](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Jeffery A. Boone](#); robert.lincoln@flalandlaw.com; [Kelly Fernandez](#); [Jeff Shrum](#); [Roger Clark](#); [Dick Longo](#)
Subject: FW: Murphy Oaks development
Date: Monday, February 8, 2021 2:47:48 PM

Please see email string below. I will confirm receipt. Thank you.

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From: segef2@verizon.net <segef2@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 2:45 PM
To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks development

I would like all my emails in this thread, including this one. sent to them all, as I have requested. Please confirm.

They need to know we are furious and that we matter. They are so power hungry and greedy that they do whatever they want despite campaign promises.

It is shameful.

None of them care. Just build, build, build us all they do.

Please confirm when all my emails have been sent to all.

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On Feb 8, 2021 at 2:42 PM, Lori Stelzer <lstelzer@venicegov.com> wrote:

The laws are very strict when it comes to quasi-judicial proceedings. They can speak to citizens; however, they are discouraged to do so because they then must disclose their conversations – who, what, when, where – at the public hearing. City council members must abide by all laws relative to their positions.

I just confirmed in my last email who I sent it to. Again, here is the list of those receiving your email in more detail:

Mayor and City Council Members (7 in total)
City Attorney Kelly Fernandez
Director of Development Services Jeff Shrum
Planning Manager Roger Clark

Murphy Oaks attorney Robert Lincoln
Sawgrass resident Dick Longo
Fox Lea Farm attorney Jeff Boone
Thank you.

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From: segef2@verizon.net <segef2@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 2:35 PM
To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks development

Well that is ridiculous. They are just afraid too speak with us. And you do not list the attorneys other than City attorney. Send my emails to all and confirm please.

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On Feb 8, 2021 at 2:33 PM, Lori Stelzer <lstelzer@venicegov.com> wrote:

The attorneys were on my list. It was sent to the city attorney, Murphy Oaks' attorney, and Fox Lea Farm's attorney. Since this is a quasi-judicial proceeding, city council members are not supposed to have conversations outside of the public hearing, nor can they respond and express their opinion due to sunshine laws. Your email will be included in the written correspondence for this hearing.

Thank you again.

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From: segef2@verizon.net <segef2@verizon.net>
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To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks development

Every single person involved with this including the attorneys (I see they are not on your list) should not only receive citizen emails but also read them and then reply with their point of view.

I know they won't. Because as citizens, we simply do not count.

Send this email to everyone of them.

Shame on the City of Venice. Shame, shame, shame.

CONFIRM WHEN SENT TO EVERY SINGLE ONE INCLUDING ATTORNEYS

-----Original Message-----

From: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

To: segef2@verizon.net <segef2@verizon.net>

Sent: Mon, Feb 8, 2021 2:08 pm

Subject: RE: Murphy Oaks development

Fern,

Thank you for your email. Your email has been received and forwarded to city council members, city attorney, planning staff, the applicant (Murphy Oaks), and the affected parties (Fox Lea Farms and Sawgrass).

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From: segef2@verizon.net <segef2@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 9:37 AM

To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks development

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Please confirm receipt and that every single person involved in this travesty has a copy of this today. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: segef2@verizon.net

To: lstelzer@venicegov.com <lstelzer@venicegov.com>

Sent: Mon, Feb 8, 2021 9:35 am

Subject: Murphy Oaks development

To the Mayor and City Council,

I beg you to stop the Murphy Oaks development completely. I live one block from it and already can hear the I-75 noise and now see bobcats in our neighborhood due to the continued development of the immediate area. I've lived in my home 17 years. Every year it's worse because of more and more land being torn down for greedy developers.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, you will RUIN the Fox Lea Farm. Have any of you ever even been to the Farm? I bet not. It is a true GEM and one of Venice's most precious assets. How dare you even contemplate putting in houses immediately adjacent to it? The construction noise, the residents' traffic noise, the water runoff, et al, will scare the horses, hurt them, and in the near future simply ruin Fox Lea. STOP THIS MADNESS NOW, please.

Thank you.

Fern Segerlind
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From: [ronald courtney](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: City Vote-Murphy Oaks Proposal
Date: Monday, February 15, 2021 11:30:20 AM

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Mayor and Council Members

I, as a resident of the city, would like to express my deep appreciation for the courages vote on rejecting the proposed over development for Murphy Oaks on Border and Laurel. To make this decision in the face of a potential lawsuit show that the city has a counsel that can not be intimidated by an over aggressive and callus developer that has no direct relationship with the city and no regard to any negative impact on local area and inhabitants. It is unfortunate that our language in the Comprehensive Plan and LDR's are not specific enough allowing developers and builders to manipulate zoning approvals that have continually overcome strong and local objections based on compatibility and well being. It is essential that while we can not stop growth that each proposed project be evaluated under the concept of smart growth. In your vote, you have made a positive stand for the strategic goals in "preserving and enhancing the Venice Quality of Life by keeping Venice beautiful and eco-friendly through proper planning". It is a delight for residents to understand that City Government can and will listen to it's citizens by having a open government for an environmentally sustainable city.
Well Done!

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