

From: Marybeth Leonard <Marybeth@dlcpa.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 1:34:05 PM

To: City Council

Subject: Petition NO 16-03PP

Dear Council,

I would like to voice my concerns regarding a new development which is in the plan for the Southeast corner of N Auburn Road and Border Road.

The traffic in that area is monitored right now with good cause. There have been several accidents on Border and Edmonson Roads. Speed in that area is also a factor, I have seen several cars go at a high speed over the bridge at Route 75. The traffic already has increased since the cut thru at Plantations. Back in that area I am sure plans will be made since the infrastructure has been completed which means more traffic.

I am concerned about the developments in the area already completed. I am sure I speak for many if not all of us that the congestion, noise and housing itself may bring our property values down. We have worked hard keeping our homes updated and abide with the Venice bylaws.

Another concern of mine is the equestrian center on N Auburn Road. Fox Lea is one of the largest equestrian centers in Florida as you are well aware. It helps with the economy in Venice and the surrounding communities. It would be very disturbing if they ended up considering relocating. Fox Lea brings in individuals from all over the country.

Wetlands and wild life need to be considered also. The flow of any creeks will be affected. The Venice doesn't need to have another project on their hands because another development going up with lots just on the other side of the bridge on Border Road.

I would greatly appreciate the Council to review my concerns. There are times when taking every piece of unclaimed land for development is not the best for Venice or any community. A beautification of the area is so much more welcome. Thank you for your time and considerations,

Mary Leonard

From: William Austin [mailto:waustin5@optimum.net]
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 9:34 PM
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Preliminary Plat Petition No. 16-03PP and Conditional Use Petition No. 16-01CU

TO: Lori Stelzer, MMC
City Clerk, Venice Florida

Dear Ms. Stelzer,

In the past four years, since we bought our home in the Sawgrass Community, we have witnessed the Venice area change in a negative way. There is too much overdevelopment by builders, who are disregarding the amount of traffic, noise and pollution that they are bringing to our area.

We have chosen the beautiful Sawgrass Community for its natural beauty both inside and outside the community. Auburn Avenue is still one of the most bucolic areas in our neighborhood. As you know, the horse farm, the church properties and the tennis club offer our community a buffer from the noise and pollution of I-75 traffic.

I am also concerned about the water run-off into Curry Creek that runs through our community. A flood will certainly cause many of us (retirees) to lose the value in our homes, if they are flooded and become moldy.

These are the main reasons that I oppose building the subdivision on the Southeast Corner of N. Auburn Avenue and Border Road (Preliminary Plat Petition No. 16-03PP and Conditional Use Petition No. 16-01CU). The 39.6 acre preserve which is being considered for 118 new homes was originally zoned for 8 homes. Why was this changed?

Thank you for your attention and I hope that you will strive to take into consideration the points that I have made. It really looks like we are running out of time to preserve some of the natural beauty and peace of Venice.

Marietheresa and William Austin

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