

From: Ron Mendelson [mailto:mendyr9@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 11:03 AM
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Food Vendors at South Jetty

I do not live adjacent to the South Jetty Park. But I do live on The Esplanade N. I find the proposal to allow food operators at the south jetty until 12 midnight ridiculous. This is obviously going to cause a problem for the neighboring homes. In addition The Esplanade is already too high traffic. Adding to this throughout the night will just add more traffic and noise to what is a residential community. What is the compelling reason for this proposal? Is it a problem people do not have enough restaurants that are open until 12 midnight in the city? It can only be a financial incentive to the city or a benefit to a business that perhaps has proposed to operate in that location. It is not taking into account the impact on the residential community. At some point the city government is going to ruin the reason why people visit and move here. I support the businesses in Venice. But the idea that more is better is not the right path.

From: Edward Lavallee

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 7:32 AM

To: cyne435@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: cja143@aol.com; John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; Lorraine Anderson <LAnderson@Venicegov.com>; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>; Kathleen Weeden <KWeeden@Venicegov.com>; John Veneziano <JVeneziano@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: April 26, 2016 City Council Meeting

Mr. & Mrs. Elsberg

Thank you for your comments concerning the Jetty. The objective of the proposal under review is to maintain the current food and toilet services at the Jetty. The provocation for the initiative is to allow removal of Anita's Sandcastle without loss of those public services. The current structure is located in the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) right-of-way (ROW). The area affiliate to the ACOE, West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) has requested the removal of the building as it obstructs access to supporting infrastructure that reinforces the banks of the intra-coastal waterway. Anita's lease expired in 2015. Because the ROW encompasses most of the Jetty it would be very difficult under the strict regulatory rules today to obtain approval for creation of a new permanent structure. We have calculated that the public toilet facilities experience 1,000 flushes per day, indicating the substantial use by visitors. The food service is also popular. With regard to the current proposal, there are still many details unresolved.

I am available to discuss this further at your convenience. Thank you again for your comments

From: cyne435@aol.com [<mailto:cyne435@aol.com>]

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 2:08 AM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: cja143@aol.com

Subject: April 26, 2016 City Council Meeting

HUMPHRIS PARK PROPOSAL

As condo owners for the past six years at the Jetty Villas, we have witnessed the increase in traffic and speed in and out of Humphris Park especially at night. It is being used more now as a gathering spot for young adults who trespass onto our property changing clothes in shrubs, sometimes spending the night and leaving trash behind.

To bring in porta potties, food trucks (and alcohol, seriously?) will only encourage the activity and increase crime. The Park is a beautiful area for fishing, walking, watching sunsets, picnics, surfing and, Anita's Sand Castle plus the restroom facilities located in the building itself have made Humphris Park a welcome and safe area for our community and tourists during the day and early evening.

We are most definitely Not in favor of your proposal as we feel it will adversely affect our community. Venice is a quaint and beautiful Village, let's keep it that way!

Cynthia, Robert and Daryl Elsberg
Jetty Villas
1585 Tarpon Center Dr., #40
Venice

From: Richard A. Gurdjian, CLU, ChFC [mailto:Rick@gurdjian.com]
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 9:01 PM
To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Cc: Hugh Laubis <h.laubis@verizon.net>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>; Heather Taylor <HTaylor@Venicegov.com>; Jan M. Gurdjian <j.gurdjian@comcast.net>
Subject: Re: Humphris Park

Thank you, Mayor.

Rick Gurdjian

Jan and Rick Gurdjian
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On Apr 17, 2016, at 8:25 PM, John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com> wrote:

Hugh,
Here's a copy of an email that Ed sent to another resident. I didn't get copied by Ed, otherwise I might have copied you sooner.
This explains most of the rationales that you requested and I thank Mr. Gurdjian for copying me in his reply.
John

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From: Richard A. Gurdjian, CLU, ChFC <rick@gurdjian.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 6:47 PM
Subject: RE: Humphris Park
To: Edward Lavallee <elavallee@venicegov.com>
Cc: Jan M. Gurdjian (<j.gurdjian@comcast.net> <j.gurdjian@comcast.net>), Lorraine Anderson <landerson@venicegov.com>, Lenox E. Bramble <lbramble@venicegov.com>, Kathleen Weeden <kweeden@venicegov.com>, Tom Mattmuller <tmattmuller@venicegov.com>, Judy Gamel <jgamel@venicegov.com>, John Holic <jholic@venicegov.com>, City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>, Charlie & Jean Alfano (<cja143@aol.com> <cja143@aol.com>

Mr. Lavallee:

Thank you for responding to me so expediently, and, on a Sunday as well! While I have heard much of the history, it is especially helpful to have an accurate and concise summary of it.

I believe that the problem with Humphris Park has most to do with its size, its proximity to residential property, and, that it is essentially a dead end/turn around for Tarpon Center Drive. At most other

parks, locating rest rooms and/or a food concession may be more easily distanced from residential property. Further, I am surprised that after twenty plus years, the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) would really be that anxious about clearing the Right-of-Way (ROW). I feel the ACOE and their area affiliate, West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND), should be approached about allowing continued current use of the ROW with the understanding that we would vacate the area if it was ever needed for an ACOE use. If such an understanding were accomplished, then a food concession lease could be renegotiated with Anita (or another vendor if a favorable lease could not be agreed upon with Anita).

If the current configuration cannot be kept, I would strongly encourage the City to drop the concept of having bathrooms and portable food vendors located on such a small, dead end property. As I stated before, Humphris Park was primarily visited by fishermen, residents and visitors enjoying a hot dog at Anita's, or residents and visitors watching our beautiful sunowns. We really do not need to encourage additional traffic to this small park. Frankly, I was surprised to learn that another vendor has been allowed to sell ice cream at the South Jetty. And, please look at the North Jetty with all the parking it has. Can you imagine the mess we would have if that much traffic were encouraged to come to the South Jetty? What quality of life would we have as residents at the Jetty Villas?

I am gratified to know that you are in agreement that the nighttime activity needs to be addressed, however, it is so much more than just noise. As I stated in my first communication, Humphris Park has become a destination for young people who have nothing to do but loiter and drink alcohol. One wonders if these individuals are from Venice, or, if we are attracting these juveniles from other communities. These individuals trash our little park and leave their mess for our taxpayers to pay for the cleanup. And, they do not confine their messes to the park property, but rather, these delinquents spew their trash, beer bottles and beer cans on our property for us to clean up as well. As I stated, the nighttime activities include racing extremely noisy vehicles with loud squealing tires, yelling and screaming obscenities, drinking alcohol excessively, trespassing on our property including camping on our green space as well as climbing on our roofs.

Further, I can tell you that when the Park fills up with vehicles, some individuals end up parking in our private parking spots located along Tarpon Center Drive near the Jetty. That happened to me just two weeks ago. That is a problem when you have groceries to carry in, or, in some cases where a resident cannot physically walk any significant distance. When someone violates one of our spaces, our only option is to park in the back lot across from Inner Circle Drive which, as you know, is quite a distance from our units close to the Jetty.

Again, we believe that strong consideration should be given to just leaving the current configuration alone. That would obviously be the least expensive option. Along with a very strong policing presence, we believe that the individuals that congregate in the evenings at the Park may choose to locate in a different place away from residential property.

Thanks you for reaching out to me and listening to the concerns that my neighbors and I have.

Rick Gurdjian

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[\(941\) 480-9595](tel:9414809595)

From: Edward Lavallee [<mailto:ELavallee@Venicegov.com>]

Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 4:28 PM

To: Richard A. Gurdjian, CLU, ChFC

Cc: Tom Mattmuller; Lenox E. Bramble; Lorraine Anderson; Judy Gamel; Kathleen Weeden

Subject: RE: Humphris Park

Mr. Gurdjian

Thank you for your communication concerning the Jetty. A little background information may be useful in discussing the current situation. My understanding is that more than 20 years ago, Anita's Sandcastle was placed on the Jetty in response to a public demand for food service and bathrooms. However, contrary to public policy the structure was placed in an Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE). Right-of-Way (ROW). The ACOE and their area affiliate West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) have been anxious for us to remove the structure from the ROW. The lease for operation of Anita's expired in 2015. This provoked a discussion with WCIND about removal of the structure. The City agreed to remove it to achieve compliance with the ROW policy. In the meantime, mobile food vendors have been requesting permits to operate in Venice. There is currently one vendor selling ice cream on the Jetty during hours when Anita's is not open.

To meet the public expectation of food service and bathrooms on the Jetty, the City is considering a mobile vendor ordinance that would allow vendors on a limited and specifically located basis to operate on the Jetty once Anita's structure is removed. The site considered is at the north end of the Jetty, away from the residential properties. The reason for considering the mobile service is that it is portable and easily removed in case of a hurricane or other dangerous weather.

The proposed ordinance is under review to modify operating conditions, including hours of operation. At the same time, we are examining the current disposition regarding vendor service on the Jetty. It was public requests that initially led to the creation of Anita's Sandcastle. Public opinion may have changed,

Concerning the nighttime noise, I consider this to be a nuisance we need to address. Police have conducted periodic checks of the Jetty, but based on recent history it may be necessary to take a more aggressive approach. I would be willing to discuss this with you and/or your neighbors. Please feel free to contact me. Thank you

From: Richard A. Gurdjian, CLU, ChFC [<mailto:Rick@gurdjian.com>]

Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 11:31 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: CJA143@aol.com; Jan M. Gurdjian (j.gurdjian@comcast.net) <j.gurdjian@comcast.net>

Subject: Humphris Park

Mayor John Holic
City of Venice Council Members
City Manager Ed Lavallee
Assistant City Manager Len Bramble

Dear Mayor, Council Members, City Manager and Assistant City Manager:

When we first purchased property at the Jetty Villas in 2003, Humphris Park was primarily visited by fishermen, residents and visitors enjoying a hot dog at Anita's Sand Castle, or residents and visitors watching our beautiful sundowns. Today, the uses have expanded to include nighttime activities such as racing extremely noisy vehicles with loud squealing tires, yelling and screaming obscenities, drinking alcohol excessively, trespassing on our property including camping on our green space as well as climbing on our roofs. Our sense is that Humphris Park has become a destination for young people who have nothing to do but loiter and drink alcohol. One wonders if these individuals are from Venice, or, if we are attracting these juveniles from other communities. These individuals trash our little park and leave their mess for our taxpayers to pay for the cleanup. And, they do not confine their messes to the park property, but rather, these delinquents spew their trash, beer bottles and beer cans on our property for us to clean up as well.

With such activity occurring, why would anyone think it to be a good idea to expand services in such a small dead-end area. I cannot imagine placing unsightly porta potties on that small property, or, encouraging various vending trucks to pull up on that small plot of land to sell different food and drink. Anita's Sand Castle has only been open for coffee in the morning and very limited food until 2:00 or 3:00 PM in the afternoon. Frankly, the non-stop traffic on Tarpon Center Drive causes such congestion that backing out of our parking areas has become problematic. Even crossing the street to visit the Crow's Nest is a challenge.

The issues described above are not just a nuisance problem, but, are really a public safety issue. As hard as our law enforcement may try, the level of policing needed to maintain a safe and peaceful environment is simply too great. As taxpayers, we cannot afford to promote such an impractical and , frankly, dangerous expansion of the use of this small park.

We respectfully request that consideration be given to adding such amenities to an area that is not immediately contiguous to residential property, and, an area that is not located at a dead-end location.

As far as Humphris Park is concerned, we believe that strong consideration be given to just leaving the current configuration alone. That would obviously be the least expensive option. Along with a very strong policing presence, we believe that the individuals that congregate in the evenings at the Park may choose to locate in a different place away from residential property.

Sincerely,

Jan and Rick Gurdjian
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[Venice, Florida 34285](#)
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Dear Mr. Olsen,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Bob Olsen <olsenbob@rocketmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 2:05 PM
Subject: SOUTH JETTY PARK RENOVATION PROPOSAL
To: City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>

AS A CONDO OWNER AT JETTY VILLAS FOR THE PAST 38 YEARS I HAVE SEEN MANY DETRIMENTAL CHANGES IN THE USE OF THE PARK.

A PROPOSAL TO BRING IN FOOD TRUCKS AND PORTABLE POTTIES IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE VISION OF WHAT THE PARK WAS SUPPOSED TO BE.

THE BEAUTY OF THE PARK DOES NOT REQUIRE FOOD FOR TOURISTS TO ENJOY IT.

i CONTINUE TO BE AMAZED AT THE NUMBER OF OUT OF STATE VEHICLES WITH TOURISTS WHO HAVE COME TO SEE THE JETTY. AS THIS IS A DESTINATION FOR TOURISTS IT WOULD BE WISE TO UPGRADE THE FACILITIES RATHER THEN INSTALLING PORTABLE TOILETS.

SINCE THE JETTY IS SUCH A VALUABLE TOURIST RESOURCE FURTHER STUDY IS DESIRABLE BEFORE TAKING FURTHER ACTION. PERHAPS SOME TOURIST TAX FUNDS SHOULD BE ALLOCATED TO UPGRADE THE PARK.

ROBERT OLSEN P ENG

Hugh,

I really do not have anyone to request information from on the week end and please remember, I can request but have no authority to delegate anything to staff. About the best I can do is ask the proposer - the City Manager - to provide his supporting documentation or fulfill your request. The questions you have asked go far beyond the scope of the Ordinance and he may not have the time required to provide a white paper as many of the topics were not up for discussion by anything on the agenda, but I will leave that to him.

It is unfortunate that our recording of the meeting is of such poor quality that it is very difficult to review. I am told that the defective units have been repaired or replaced. If memory serves me correctly, the discussion was about an Ordinance regarding mobile vending Ord. No. 2016-05.

There was nothing in the agenda packet about port-a-potties that I recall, however, I do recall discussion on the topic. The discussion was on a letter submitted by a resident, not an agenda item submitted. It is unfortunate when we get last minute submissions and they become an issue when we have not been able to ask staff to provide any back up data, in fact, some of the persons seated on the dais did not even have a chance to read through the letter.

Unrelated to the Ordinance is your comments on parking. No one has any reserved parking on the Jetty, with the exception of perhaps a law enforcement spot. Anyone can use available public parking for any reason, whether it is to dine at a local establishment, fish, sight see, or visit a person at one of the nearby residences. I do not recall any signs that limit parking hours. The Sandcastle building was never approved by the Army Corps of Engineers or by WCIND and has always been a point of contention. The proximity to the water on the entire South Jetty makes it impossible to legally move the building. The current building standards would require a building that is far more storm resistant than the current building and the same goes with the restrooms (look at the restrooms at Caspersen Beach). A long time ago I gave the City Manager some examples of portable rest room to consider when and if the Sandcastle is removed. It should not have been part of this discussion, but it did come up. The rest room example I gave the City Manager was a trailer, not a port-a-pottie; the thought was that the trailer (air conditioned, ADA compliant, and flush toilets with running water and hooked up to the sewer system) could be moved away from the jetty in the event of an imminent storm without the multi-million dollar building like that at Caspersen.

I had a few minutes to go this far with an explanation, but I have a very committed weekend and will wait till we can talk later for anything else. Yesterday's answer to you was given while I was working at the BBQ bash from 5:00 a.m. until 2 p.m. and then another event from 4 p.m. until midnight. I will have to try to stop council from discussing topics not on the agenda -The Sandcastle and port-a-potties - are two examples, although I really do not want to infringe on questions raised by Council Members as a Council Meeting is the only time we have to openly discuss what is on our mind. Many times these are items that are then discussed with far more detail at a later meeting. I will ask the Clerk to not let residents distribute information to Council on the day of a meeting, but rather to give the information to her so that she can decide if it is something that needs to be seen immediately or can be given to us for later review. In the case of this letter, many of the topics went far beyond the mobile vending and the letter should have been placed on a future agenda so that we could have given proper attention to the items that ended up being discussed.

Thanks,
John

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: Hubert Laubis <h.laubis@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2016 1:49 PM
To: John Holic
Subject: Re: Food vendors & restrooms

I am happy to come see you again but that does not clear the air for everyone else who is confused or disgruntled on the subject. Is there no one you can delegate to to compose the "white paper" on the subject and place some factual info together?

Best

Hugh

On Apr 16, 2016 1:18 PM, "John Holic" <JHolic@venicegov.com> wrote:

Dear Hugh,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. I'll be happy to talk with you (nice hearing from you again), but won't even try to email back the answers as I know them.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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On Sat, Apr 16, 2016 at 9:02 AM -0700, "Hugh Laubis" <h.laubis@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi All!

Long time no see/hear.

Living out in the county these days may not give me the same communication privileges as when I lived in the city limits but let me please ask these questions of you.

I believe those of us out here deserve some answers about the subject of "the jetty"

Too many rumors and unanswered questions and few if any facts.

How about a comprehensive article in the city publication and the Gondolier on the subject.

I think these are the items which need to be highlighted with answers.

The south Jetty!

- It is a great attraction for all of us and especially visitors!
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- It is a tough place to visit because of parking limitations!
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- Having the nearby restaurant 'shuttle' guests to and from using it as a supplemental parking lot to their own does not help..... what is the deal here anyway?
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- Anita's has always been a plus for those who make a visit..... the lease deal here may be a bad one but that is history so when is it up and why can't it be renewed?
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- I thought we resolved the issue with the corps of engineers a long time ago about the placement of the building, obviously not..... are the negotiators unable to succeed ?
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- What specifically are the issues preventing resolution and why?
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- Why our building and not the "fish camp" on the North Jetty? Lets get the facts here please, sure appears like something smells 'fishy'.
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- The building with the food concession I assume requires the restrooms..... If the building placement on the property is the problem, why can't the building be relocated and the surrounding parking be redesigned?
- - Finally!!!
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- Assuming the building, food service and restrooms must go, **WHO SAYS all of that needs to be replaced with port-a-potties and food vendor trucks anyway.** That is a terrible idea! Go elsewhere for food and restroom services.
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- Let the visitors go to the food facility and restrooms at Venice Beach if they wish, no parking there either? Sorry! poor planning on their part. move on to downtown and use restrooms there.
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I hope each of you mull this over. City manager and city planning should develop a 'white paper' on the total subject and let the citizens (all of us) know the 'whys' of this subject before doing something foolish that in time becomes un-manageable.

Sincerely,
Hugh Laubis

Dear Ms. Hester,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. Just for clarification, there was not proposal for portable toilets.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Debora Hester <debxhester@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 7:53 PM

Subject: Park at the Venice Jetty

To: City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>

Dear Venice City Council,

The proposal to update the south jetty with portable toilets is disappointing. Smell, flies, etc will result. A permanent structure would improve everyone's enjoyment of the area.

Best Regards,

Debora Hester

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Unsigned,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

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On Mon, Apr 18, 2016 at 2:50 PM -0700, "adele bowen" <adelebo@att.net> wrote:

--- On Mon, 4/18/16, Adele <adelebo@att.net> wrote:

> From: Adele <adelebo@att.net>
> Subject: Humphries Park
> To: "charlie alfano" <cja143@aol.com>
> Date: Monday, April 18, 2016, 10:17 AM
> The thought of food trucks and porta
> potties at our lovely jetty area is so out of context
> with the ambience of Venice. At least Anita's
> Sandcastle is pretty, clean, and fits in with the character
> of the land. The proposed location of the food trucks
> and potties is an affront to our residences here at Jetty
> Villas and would effect the value of our property by
> creating obnoxious noise, smell, and unsightliness.
> Ask yourselves "would I like them next to my home?" Also
> please answer why theCorp of Engineers suddenly feel it
> needs to remove Anita's when right across the waterway sits
> not only a hot dog stand as close to water as ours and no
> problem with that. Please stop this madness and leave
> things be. Everybody here in Venice as well as
> tourists love the Jetty and its inviting atmosphere.
>
> Sent from my iPhone

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

From: Peter Wolff [mailto:pmwolff@comcast.net]

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 10:06 AM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Leave Anita's Sand Castle be. It's part of the charm. Some other mix of trucks and carts let alone ports potties would be terrible. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Dana [mailto:concrete@gwi.net]

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 7:01 AM

To: adelebo@att.net; ajarrighi@gmail.com; captgreeley@aol.com; cja143@aol.com; ddsdave@usawebnet.net; dshanley4@verizon.net; flavjo@comcast.net; fors1585@aol.com; fpwigs1585@gmail.com; gfrantz@ameritech.net; j.gurdjian@comcast.net; jettyvillas@aol.com; jimlorruss@aol.com; judycross7@verizon.net; junecmorg@aol.com; lesli5@juno.com; letomasetti@yahoo.com; louiseolsen248@hotmail.com; m522n@yahoo.com; mollybartlett422@gmail.com; olsenbob@rocketmail.com; rgris@fltg.net; schmielewski@verizon.net; sjbocz@yahoo.com; vi.page@comcast.net; wcr@wideopenwest.com; arrighi5@verizon.net; baldwin_diane@yahoo.com; jncrary@yahoo.com; adenatale@stroock.com; cyne435@aol.com; rick@gurdjian.com; alba422@aol.com; mtnofstars49@aol.com; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com; kquigley@bellsouth.net; croberts@lecom.edu

Cc: Ellen <celticpoetess@yahoo.com>; Jane Lilly <janelilly12@gmail.com>; Jeanne <jeannemaccarone@gmail.com>; Janis <janiselilly@gmail.com>; Christian <christianlilly@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; elavalee@venice.gov.com

Subject: Petition for Humphries Park, Food Trucks and the Sale of Alcohol in Venice, FLA

To All Jetty Villa Association Owners and Agents:

Please use this link to also sign our Petition to the City of Venice and the USACE for our objection to their plans for Humphries Park, Food Trucks and the Sale of Alcohol !

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/296/869/733/> .

Lastly, please forward to all other concerned citizens you may know who have an interest in our collective efforts!

Sincerely,

Dana Alan Lilly

Castine, Maine and Jetty Villas, Venice, FLA.

From: Edward Lavallee

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 5:01 AM

To: CJA143@aol.com

Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; Lorraine Anderson <LAnderson@Venicegov.com>; Tom Mattmuller <TMattmuller@Venicegov.com>; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Humphris Park.

Charles

Thank you for your email. Some of the issues cited have been raised by other residents. We plan to carefully examine these and other considerations before any final decisions are made. Meeting with area residents is among our planned actions. Thank you for continuing the dialogue

Edward F. Lavallee

On Apr 19, 2016, at 8:55 PM, "CJA143@aol.com" <CJA143@aol.com> wrote:

As per your request-

In a message dated 4/19/2016 8:42:51 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, kquigley@bellsouth.net writes:
Could you please forward this email to the appropriate city officials. I am writing in regard to the city's proposed changes at Humphris Park which are totally unacceptable on a number of levels. There is no doubt that having food trucks and portable bathroom facilities will turn this lovely park into a carnival type atmosphere. Very dangerous and disturbing to the peaceful community of Jetty Villas that exists next to the park. Our quality of life will deteriorate and our property values then fall. My unit faces the road and I hear first hand all the racing and loud noise and music even continuing now after spring break. The changes the city is proposing will only heighten and add to this turmoil.
If Anita's must go away then there should be NO food services or facilities at the park. The Crows Nest is available for dining for visitors to the area.
I would think common sense should prevail in taking into consideration what would be best for the residents of Jetty Villas and thereby the City of Venice as a whole. Thank you.

Kathleen Quigley
#39 Jetty Villas.

Sent from my iPhone=

Thank you for your comments, We are carefully studying the options carefully and have not made a final determination . It is challenging that a very popular public park is located at the end of a peninsular accessible by one narrow street. I appreciate your taking the time to communicate your concerns.

Edward F. Lavallee

On Apr 19, 2016, at 11:22 PM, Lynn Tomasetti <letomasetti@yahoo.com> wrote:

I'm a resident of Jetty Villas, the villa community that abuts Humpris Park. My parents moved to Jetty Villas in 1982., and I retired here in 2008. Although they are no longer alive, they spent over 20 years in retirement enjoying all of those years in Venice. My Dad was especially happy when he was fishing off the South Jetty - my Mom was quite fond of the hotdogs! During all those years, our family often remarked on the wonderful parks throughout Venice - and we were especially fond of the one next to us, especially at sunrise and sunset.

As the years have gone by, we've all noted the increase in traffic on Tarpon Center Drive, driven almost exclusively by the attraction to the park. More disturbing to me is the demeanor of the kids that frequent the park, from the coarse language to the drugs and alcohol consumption.

Over the last week, I've read several emails and articles concerning proposed plans for the future of Humphris Park. I must say that I find the proposal to be very disturbing - even scary. I can only assume that the people making such a proposal have never spent any time in the park during season - rarely is there parking available during the day, especially if the surf's up and the winds right. At night, the kids come out to play - even though the park is suppose to be closed. There is little police presence after sunset tho they do respond to calls of a specific nature. We try to be "good neighbors" - we all remember what it was like to try to find fun on long summer nights.- so limit calls to major offenses. If this proposal becomes effective, I'd wager the number of offenses will increase dramatically.

I'd ask that you take the next year to study the traffic and impact on the park - and not just in the summer when things normally quiet down, but through next season too. Visit the park throughout the week and at night. Try to negotiate with the engineer corps - it's been done successfully in the past - or find a less invasive alternative.

Thank for listening
Lynn Tomasetti

Dear Unsigned,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: Peter Wolff <pmwolff@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 10:06 AM

To: City Council

Subject: Leave Anita's Sand Castle be. It's part of the charm. Some other mix of trucks and carts let alone ports potties would be terrible. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

John Henry & Judy Cross
1585 Tarpon Center Drive
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Venice, Florida 34285
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Judycross7@verizon.net

April 19, 2016

To: Honorable Mayor John Holic
Venice City Council Members
City Manager, Ed Lavallee
Assistant City Manager, Len Bramble
Cc: Charles Alfano, President of Jetty Villas Association
Jetty Villas Board Members
From: John Henry & Judy Cross

Re: Humphris Park

I am writing to you on behalf of my husband and myself. We became residents of the State of Florida in 1992, just after purchasing our Jetty Villa. We were thrilled to own such a beautiful condo in a most unique area. Our grandchildren loved coming to stay over their school breaks enjoying the pool and feeling safe walking the beach.

I recall with a grateful heart the first beach renourishment many years ago. The Army Corps of Engineers made it an historical event! We were accepting of the 24 hour equipment noise, port-a-potties, workers trespassing....but no complaints from us! The beauty of all that sand coming in was a sight to behold!

In 1992 the hot dog stand was on a trailer and driven into the park each day. This was greatly improved by providing a permanent and eye appealing building that would replace the trailer. The City determined it was important to add restrooms and bait sales. Again, noise, inconvenience and trespassing was tolerated by the JV owners without complaint.

Twice since we have lived here, the Crow's Nest Restaurant requested an expansion which obviously would increase traffic and noise. We were good neighbors to the local business owner and without complaint did not interfere with their improvements.

As more and more people discovered this beautiful City on the beach, traffic and noise increased. People who do not live on the water enjoy coming to watch the
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boats, have a hot dog and view the gorgeous sunsets. There has been a dramatic increase in traffic with the tourist boom in Southwest Florida. This is wonderful for all the local businesses and for our State as a whole. However, there are some downsides. One of them being the homeless who come to a warm state adding to the existing people who are not mindful of private property...who utilize our common areas for entertainment, sleeping, cooking, defecating and being generally quite unruly.

Some time ago, the City posted signs that prohibit alcohol on the beach, no pets, no smoking and no overnight parking. Unfortunately, the rules are not enforced. We occasionally see a Police cruiser in the park with an officer taking a phone call. But we do not see them confront the problems. Never. So we take it upon ourselves to attempt to deal with and monitor very difficult situations.

In trying to protect our property from trespassers, we (the owners) are put at risk. Many of us are over 70 years of age and some are quite physically handicapped. I can't imagine the City not having concerns about all of us trying to do the work of the Police Department! Are we cautious? Yes! But each time we go out after dark to deal with someone urinating on our courtyard, or sleeping in a lounge chair, or up on our flat roofs, it is quite possible we could be in harm's way.

It is a regular ordeal for JV owners to clean up the common areas of broken glass from beer wine & other alcoholic beverages. We dispose of condoms, underwear left behind and lots of garbage.

Now we are told that the lovely building housing the hot dog stand will be removed and replaced with multiple food vendors with trucks and trailers taking over Humphris Park. Porta-a-potties will be brought in to replace the permanent bathrooms that were demolished. And did I hear correctly? The City is also going to permit the sale of alcohol?? I have a few questions about this proposal:

- Will background checks be conducted on each of the vendors?
- Will the vendors need to pass a drug test?
- Will there be a limit on the number of vendors?
- Will vendors be assigned to a certain parking spot to permit the tourists continued access to watch a sunset or take a walk out on the Jetty?
- As vendors and tourists jockey for parking places, how will this be

monitored?

- Who is liable if there are altercations between vendors and the public?
- Will the Health Department ensure the food storage and preparation is sanitary?

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All of these changes will increase traffic on Tarpon Center Drive. Have you considered the portable signs that tell drivers how fast they're traveling? The limit is 15 mph and definitely not adhered to. How about speed bumps?? Now I ask each one of you....would you want trucks, trailers, noise pollution, garbage, intoxicated and obnoxious individuals outside your residential front door? I think not! I can't imagine how you can justify your recommendation to the community of residents at Jetty Villas.

Our comments are not a critique of the Venice Police Department! We are fully aware of the budget constraints and appreciate the general overall protection provided by Law Enforcement. Perhaps we have been remiss in not calling 911 every time we had to deal with an unpleasant issue. Speaking for myself I believed Law Enforcement may have had more important things to deal with than to be called here every time there was a trespasser, someone vandalizing, foul language all hours of the night, speeding cars, motorcycles and scooters, vehicle radios blasting and strangers in our pool and on our roofs. It is a constant sleep disturbance. But we continue to do our best to take care of these nuisances ourselves.

As a community of home owners, I ask you to please work with us. Your decision, as it stands, diminishes the values of our homes. It puts our residents at risk. Those who have a unit for sale are straddled with the black cloud of what may happen in Humphris Park. There has to be a better answer than the idea currently on the table.

May I suggest that if we cannot come together on a reasonable solution, how about requesting the services of Nancy Detert and Vern Buchanon to mediate on our behalf? To get to first base we may just need an unbiased third party.

Speaking for my husband and myself, I ask you to do the right thing. We believed each of you would do what is best for Venice when we voted for you. Please don't destroy our little community of Jetty Villas.

We look forward to the possibility of finding harmony.

Very truly yours,

Judy & John Henry Cross

JJC

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Vant Hof,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: vanthofp2 <vanthofp2@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 3:46 PM

To: City Council

Subject: South jetty/Humphries Park

What you are planning to do to the land around the south jetty is to intentionally ruin one of the premier locations that makes Venice so popular. In addition, to degrade the property values of contiguous property. We have been wintering in Venice for the past 9 years and now are moving to Venice. The south jetty and Anita's Hot Dog Stand are landmarks that provide a special ambiance for and a reason to go to the jetty. Food trucks and portable restrooms are a joke and the perpetual cost for the restrooms will be an unlikable addition to a wonderful area of Venice, let alone the ability to properly police them. Surely you all have the collective intelligence to do something far better than what is currently proposed. If you can't come up with a solution that has class and adds to the beauty of Venice, none of you should be entrusted with leading Venice into the future. Shame on you for lack of vision if you proceed with this proposal in addition to abandoning the contiguous property owners and the thousands of jetty visitors each year.

Respectfully,

Paul and Helen Vant Hof who will be new residents of Venice in two months.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Olsen,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. I have copied Venice Police so that they too are aware of your complaint of excessive noise and screeching tires.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

From: Louise Olsen <louiseolsen248@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 3:22 PM

To: City Council; ELAVALLEE@VENICE.GOV.COM

Cc: LENBRAMBLE@VENICE.GOV.COM; CJA143@aol.com

Subject: JETTY VILLAS--HUMPHRIS PARK

As an owner and tax payer of Jetty Villa # 38 since 1978, we strongly object to the food trucks and toilet facilities on the Jetty. Food service is already available at The Crow`s Nest. The park is ALREADY an after hours nightmare with drinking, rowdiness, screeching tires and loud music emanating from a younger crowd every night! Why is there not a curfew to put an end to this behavior?

If this ridiculous plan is put into action we at Jetty Villas will experience great loss of not only property value but in our quality of life. We would then have to demand great reduction in our property taxes.

Louise and John Olsen

Mr. DeNatale

The City is carefully analyzing the future plans for the Jetty. It is a beautiful and unique public site. Consideration is given to the resident population and the visiting public. We are having public discussions about the important issues and will include area residents in the dialogue. Thank you for taking the time to express your concerns

Edward F. Lavallee

On Apr 21, 2016, at 2:11 PM, DeNatale, Andrew P. <adenatale@stroock.com> wrote:

Honorable Mayor John Holic
Council Members
City Manager- Ed Lavallee
Asst. City Manager- Len Bramble

Re Humphris Park

My family and I are the owners of Jetty Villa number 1 (the “Villa”) in Venice, which is the northernmost villa in the Jetty Villa Association. As such it is the closest villa to Humphris Park and will be most directly impacted by any change in use of Humphris Park.

The Villa had been purchased by my wife's parents, Lillian and James Kennedy, over 30 years ago and has played a special part in the family over these many years. Although the Kennedys are deceased, their great grandchildren are now eager visitors to the Villa (and visitors to Humphris Park looking for dolphins) creating their own special memories. As such, it is with great concern that I read that the City of Venice is considering “improvements” which may change the character of a very special corner of Venice. My concerns include both the direct negative impact on the ambience on the Park itself as well as the indirect negative impact on our enjoyment of our own property.

I understand the proposals that the City is considering include putting elevated portable restrooms and a number of food trucks in the park. Although I have not seen any specific plans or renderings, the fact that such things are being seriously discussed by our elected officials is extremely disturbing. I believe that the objections to the proposal are both aesthetic as well as legal. The aesthetic speaks for itself. I doubt that anybody responsible for the planning would think it is a good idea to have portable restrooms and food trucks in their own backyard – which is exactly what you would be doing to a fair number of tax payers. I have seen a number of eloquent letters sent to you by other homeowners at the Jetty Villas and I support them and will not repeat the points that were so well stated by them.

From a legal perspective, the proposal is inconsistent with the general purpose of zoning laws – which is to separate uses that are thought to be incompatible. Taxpayers are entitled to a fair expectation of reliance upon the zoning laws to prevent new development from interfering with the existing uses and/or to preserve the character of a community. Our own Code of Ordinances states that the Land Development Code (the “Code”) is an act to protect and preserve the public health, safety, and general welfare and to assist in the orderly and controlled growth and development in the City.

As you know, Humphris Park is zoned open use conservation (“OUC”) property. Section 86-70 of the Code states that the intention is to retain, insofar as desirable and practicable, the open character of OUC land. Why is it not desirable and practical to retain the open character of our lovely Park?

The Code goes on to state that “permitted and permissible uses are basically limited to conservation, recreation and, with certain limitations, other uses not contrary to the character of the district”. The Code further states a number of specific permitted principal uses, the only one of which is relevant to the proposal is "publicly owned parks, recreation areas, and uses and structures appropriate to such activities". The provision goes on to state that permitted accessory uses and structures in the OUC district are "uses and structures which are customarily accessory and clearly incidental to permitted or permissible uses and structures". Finally, the Code goes on to state that prohibited uses and structures include “[C]ommercial uses, except as specifically permitted or permissible special exceptions”.

The City of Venice has over 30 parks. Very few of the active parks offer concession stands (all of them that do are housed in permanent buildings). Only half have restroom facilities (all of them that do are housed in attractive permanent buildings). There is not a single park in Venice that offers portable restrooms. Clearly the placement of portable restrooms and food trucks are clearly not customarily accessory and clearly incidental to permitted or permissible uses and structure. It is telling that new fast-food restaurants (not to mention diesel-fume spewing food trucks) are not even allowed in Commercial, Neighborhood Districts and Commercial General Districts). How is it that food trucks could be permitted in an OUC abutting residential property?

Very Truly Yours, Andrew DeNatale

cc: Mr. Charles Alfano, President of Jetty Villa’s Homeowners Association

From: Larry Roberts [mailto:larry471@icloud.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2016 7:36 AM

To: Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>

Cc: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; 'Charles' <cja143@aol.com>; 'Cinda Roberts' <croberts@lecom.edu>

Subject: RE: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

You're very welcome Ed. As you know, any changes to the area adjacent to the Jetty Villa's is very personal to all the owners. I know you expected response from Villa owners on the current proposed concept and I'm pleased that so many owners have stepped up and written to all of you.

We know the proposed concept wasn't/isn't a done deal and a lot of information gathering and discussion is yet to come. Frankly, we are in the information gathering stage as well and our goal is simply to help the process in any way we can. We know what the discussions have been to date but frankly we are not clear what the ultimate goal is for Humphries Park with respect to food service sales, etc.

We know that we will have to live with whatever decision the Council makes moving forward but we want that decision to be as well informed as possible. We're confident the Council will ultimately do what is necessary to keep the beautification of the Park, what is best for the owners of Jetty Villa and surrounding residences, and what is best for safety and security.

Again, thank you for taking the time to read our letter and respond in such a timely manner. It is great appreciated.

Larry

Larry W. Roberts

From: Edward Lavallee [mailto:ELavallee@Venicegov.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2016 4:16 AM

To: Larry Roberts <larry471@icloud.com>

Cc: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Charles <cja143@aol.com>; Cinda Roberts <croberts@lecom.edu>

Subject: Re: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

Mr. Roberts

Thank you for your detailed communication. Many of the issues you raise have been the subject of recent discussions. The City is analyzing the current and prospective future uses of the Jetty. There will be public discussions before any final decisions are made. Thank you for taking the time to communicate your concerns

Edward F. Lavallee

On Apr 20, 2016, at 7:10 PM, Larry Roberts <larry471@icloud.com> wrote:

Thank you for your quick response Mayor. Interesting set of circumstances you have pointed out. We agree wholeheartedly that any and all decisions need to be made on facts.

Good luck to the Council in collecting the necessary data.

Larry

Larry and Cinda Roberts

From: John Holic [<mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 6:43 PM

To: Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Larry Roberts <larry471@icloud.com>

Cc: 'Charles' <cja143@aol.com>; 'Cinda Roberts' <croberts@lecom.edu>

Subject: Re: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

Dear Mr. And Mrs. Roberts,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. No decisions have been on this property at this point, only initial discussion. It is my understanding that the problem is much deeper than what has been expressed and that the building was actually constructed without permits or permission and was allowed to remain until the lease with the current tenant and the City (not the Corps of Engineers) expired.

Council has requested all documents that we have on file along with a staff explanation of any verbal agreements made regarding this property. Any decision that is made on this property must be based upon facts and not opinions or emotions.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Larry Roberts <larry471@icloud.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 3:02 PM

Subject: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

To: Edward Lavallee <elavallee@venicegov.com>, City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>, Lenox E. Bramble <lbramble@venicegov.com>

Cc: 'Charles' <cja143@aol.com>, 'Cinda Roberts' <croberts@lecom.edu>

Dear Mayor, Council Members, City Manager and Assistant City Manager,

Please find attached a letter addressing issues/concerns we have with the Humphries Park Building Structure and Food Service Proposal that Council is currently discussing.

Thank you for consideration and we look forward to further discussions.

Larry and Cinda Roberts

Larry and Cinda Roberts
[1585 Tarpon Center Drive](#)
[Unit #33](#)
[Venice, FL 34285](#)
[941-400-5072](#)

From: Dana [mailto:concrete@gwi.net]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2016 7:10 AM

To: adelebo@att.net; ajarrighi@gmail.com; captgreeley@aol.com; cja143@aol.com; ddsdave@usawebnet.net; dshanley4@verizon.net; flavjo@comcast.net; fors1585@aol.com; fpwigs1585@gmail.com; gfrantz@ameritech.net; j.gurdjian@comcast.net; jettyvillas@aol.com; jimlorruss@aol.com; judycross7@verizon.net; junecmorg@aol.com; lesli5@juno.com; letomasetti@yahoo.com; louiseolsen248@hotmail.com; m522n@yahoo.com; mollybartlett422@gmail.com; olsenbob@rocketmail.com; rgris@fltg.net; schmielewski@verizon.net; sjbocz@yahoo.com; vi.page@comcast.net; wcr@wideopenwest.com; arrighi5@verizon.net; baldwin_diane@yahoo.com; jncrary@yahoo.com; adenatale@stroock.com; cyne435@aol.com; rick@gurdjian.com; alba422@aol.com; mtnofstars49@aol.com; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com; kquigley@bellsouth.net; croberts@lecom.edu

Cc: Ellen <celticpoetess@yahoo.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; LBRAMBLE@VENICGOV.COM

Subject: Re: Fwd: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

Charlie,

Currently 35 people have signed our petition, in addition to the 18 independent letters and emails you reported sent.

See: http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/296/869/733/?taf_id=24367825&cid=email_na .

Keep up the good work to all and convince the City to drop the idea all together!

Sincerely,

Dana Alan Lilly

Castine, Maine and Venice, FLA Unit #30

From: John Carry [mailto:jncrary@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 6:56 PM
To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Cc: Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; elavalee@venicegov.com; cja143@aol.com
Subject: Re: Humphris Park

Mr. Mayor, than you for your prompt reply. I look forward to following and hopefully participating in the process.

John Crary

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 20, 2016, at 6:23 PM, John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com> wrote:

Dear Mr. Crary,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. No decisions have been on this property at this point, only initial discussion. It is my understanding that the problem is much deeper than what you have expressed and that the building was actually constructed without permits or permission and was allowed to remain until the lease with the current tenant and the City (not the Corps of Engineers) expired.
Council has requested all documents that we have on file along with a staff explanation of any verbal agreements made regarding this property. Any decision that is made on this property must be based upon facts and not opinions or emotions.
Sincerely,
John Holic

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On Wed, Apr 20, 2016 at 1:49 PM -0700, "john crary" <jncrary@yahoo.com> wrote:

Mayor John Holic
City Council Members
City Manager Lavallee
Deputy City Manager Bramble

Dear Mayor, Council Members, City Manager Lavalee and Deputy City Manager Bramble:

I am writing to express my concern with the process being followed with regard to Humphris Park. As I understand the issue the City Council is considering the removal of the Sand Castle and the adjoining sewer lift station that services the public rest rooms. I understand that the US Army Corps of Engineers is unwilling to extend the lease for these uses and as a result the City Council is considering replacing with portable restrooms and permitting food trucks to service the area. During my time at Jetty Villas I have observed a number of problems with the operation of the park and therefore I am writing with my opinion of the best course of action. I believe there are two problems

that must be resolved.

First, the City should not accept the Corps of Engineers decision not to continue the lease arrangement for the Sand Castle and the lift station. Both of these amenities are desirable for an active park and meet the standard of best in class for such a facility. Replacing the food service with food trucks or public bathrooms (with a dedicated sewer line) with porta johns is not a step in the right direction and is not in keeping with the many fine public amenities that the City is blessed with. The fact that the Corps is unwilling to approve an extension should be the subject of discussion with our Federal legislators (local Congressman and US Senators). Our representatives are more than willing to participate in such a process and will provide the support needed with such an entrenched bureaucracy. The Corps is a federal agency and is under their purview. I understand the Corps desire to remove structures in the flood zone but this is counterintuitive and does not meet a normal cost/benefit analysis nor is this good public health policy. I therefore urge the City to schedule a meeting with our Federal representatives to discuss a path to keeping the Sand Castle and the adjoining lift station open. I also ask that public representatives from Jetty Villas be present to provide support.

Secondly, the park is, with apologies to Dickens, the best of places, and the worst of places. Humphris provides many fine amenities to the community that I support and encourage including access to the Jetty, access to the beach, a public place to enjoy the Gulf views and our stunning sunsets. All of these are laudable uses. However, the uses that I object to are the night time gathering of our local youth and those from our neighboring communities, the drinking and possible drug use that often occurs, the loud music and the profanity that accompanies such gatherings. I believe the best answer to this problem is a change in the hours when the park is in public use. It is my understanding the park is open until midnight. I suggest changing park hours to 9:00 or perhaps 10:00 pm. (If an exception is necessary for fishermen and/or Crows Nest employees I agree). I also recommend that our Police Department take a proactive role in patrolling the park to both enforce the change in hours and the state's public drinking laws.

Thank you for your consideration of my suggestions and ideas. We all appreciate your service to the community and the many thankless hours you put in on our behalf.

John Crary
Unit 13, Jetty Villas

From: Edward Lavallee

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 1:09 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; Diane Baldwin <baldwin_diane@yahoo.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Charlie Alfano <cja143@aol.com>; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: Humphris Park

Ms. Baldwin and Mr. Murphy

The City is closely examining the food service, restrooms, and related issues at the Jetty. No final decisions have been made. Thank you for your expressed concern

From: John Holic

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 12:56 PM

To: Diane Baldwin <baldwin_diane@yahoo.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Charlie Alfano <cja143@aol.com>; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Humphris Park

Dear Ms. Baldwin and Mr. Murphy,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

From: Diane Baldwin [mailto:baldwin_diane@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 10:43 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Charlie Alfano <cja143@aol.com>; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com

Subject: Humphris Park

Mayor John Holic

City of Venice Council Members

City Manager Ed Lavallee

Assistant City Manager Len Bramble

Dear Mayor, Council Members, City Manager and Assistant City Manager:

We share the concerns about the proposed changes at Humphris Park expressed by our friends and neighbors in the Jetty community. Long before we moved to the Jetty Villas, Humphris Park was a special place that we visited often with our parents to watch the sunset, walk to the end of the jetty, and watch the birds, dolphins, and manatees. Over the years and now as Jetty residents, we have experienced the increased traffic and noise, and most notably the party atmosphere that takes over at night. Too many cars, trucks, and motorcycles, driving too fast, with music blaring at its loudest make crossing Tarpon Center Drive for a walk or an evening at the Crow's Nest a hazard. This affects not only those of us who are Jetty residents, but the many who bike or run or walk to the Jetty everyday to simply enjoy this unique access to the Gulf and the inland waterway.

As a result, we are deeply concerned that the addition of food trucks, alcohol, and unsightly portable toilets will only bring more chaos to a small park best suited for sunset watching, fishing, and being by the water. We are also concerned that encouraging more activity in this small space will only increase tensions and require more policing by the city. We would hope that the city would explore with the Army Corps an agreement to maintain the Sand Castle. If that cannot be accomplished, we urge the city to reconsider its proposal and its potentially negative impact on all of the Jetty community—park users and residents. We recommend that, in keeping with many of Venice's lovely green spaces, Humphris Park offer no toilets or food.

Thank you for your consideration.
Diane Baldwin and Ernest Murphy
Jetty Villas #35

Dear Ms. Bangham,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: Nancy Bangham [<mailto:Nancy.Bangham@fsresidential.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 12:19 PM
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Edward Lavalley <ELavalley@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Anita's Sand Castle

Please do not remove Anita's Sand Castle. I've always enjoyed having a hot dog and enjoying the ambience of the south jetty, a great spot to take a lunch break from work. The proposed removal does not seem necessary.

Thank you,

Nancy Bangham

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bull,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: Patricia Bull <patbull880@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 23, 2016 10:04 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Humphries Park

Dear City Council members and others:

We are Florida residents and own at Bird Bay Condos in Venice where we have spent 6 months of each year since 2004. We love Venice and all of the activities and lifestyle here. One of the little pleasures has been going to Anita's Sandcastle, every few weeks, for a hot dog and soda and to sit at one of her benches and chat with the other diners. The food has always been delicious, the place is kept clean and neat, and Anita has always been there to greet people and do the cooking herself. She is responsible and reliable. It is also convenient to have the restrooms in the same building as her hot dog stand. We are both very opposed to the proposal of getting rid of Anita's and having individual vendors and portable toilets. Anita's adds to the charm of Venice. The proposals for miscellaneous food trucks and portable restrooms would eliminate the charm and deteriorate the appearance of the South Jetty. Please allow the area to remain as it is! Keep Anita's Sandcastle!

Sincerely,

Dick & Pat Bull

From: Jimlorruss@aol.com [mailto:Jimlorruss@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 2:18 PM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; elavallee@venicecov.com; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Subject: HumphrisPark

My husband and I purchased our condo at Jetty Villas in 1979. We have enjoyed many years of rest, tranquility and spiritual nourishment at our "Little Bit of Paradise".

It saddens me and frightens me to think that our precious spot will be changed into a public nightmare because of the addition of food trucks and porta-potties. The South Jetty is a very special piece of nature and should be maintained and protected as a natural place. The more commercial the area becomes, the more of nature will be lost.

Please do not destroy such a special place with trucks and potties. Thank you. Lory Russo Jetty #19
1585 Tarpon Center Drive

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Kane,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

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On Thu, Apr 28, 2016 at 1:30 PM -0700, "suzanne Kane" <shegkane@gmail.com> wrote:

Greetings Mr. Mayor and Council Members

We are residents at Harbor House and walk down to the Jetty often We are opposed to the city taking down the concession stand and putting up portable toilets. It would certainly decrease our property values.

Sincerely, Dr Edward G. and Suzanne H. Kane
1000 Tarpon Ct. Dr.
941-488-6701

From: John Holic

Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2016 6:00 PM

To: Dana <concrete@gwi.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Edward Lavalley <ELavalley@Venicegov.com>; Cinda Roberts <croberts@lecom.edu>; Ellen <celticpoetess@yahoo.com>; Randy Zito <randyzito@yahoo.com>; lbramble@venicgov.com; cja143@aol.com; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Fw: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

Dear Dana Alan Lilly,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Dana <concrete@gwi.net>

Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2016 10:45 AM

Subject: Fw: Humphries Park Building Structure Removal and Food Service Proposal

To: City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>

Cc: Edward Lavalley <elavalley@venicegov.com>, Ellen <celticpoetess@yahoo.com>, <lbramble@venicgov.com>, Cinda Roberts <croberts@lecom.edu>, <cja143@aol.com>, Randy Zito <randyzito@yahoo.com>

Dear Mr. Mayor and City Council Members:

Please see the growing number of taxpayers (almost 100 to date) opposed to your plans for Humphries Park and Food Service Trucks being allowed to operate so close to our residences. By clicking on our petition link: <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/296/869/733/> you can see first hand the growing support we have gotten. We hope to triple that number in the coming days, on our way to over 1,000 signatures in opposition to these plans.

In addition to our growing numbers of opposed citizens and Taxpayers, we just recently gained and continue to gain additional support of several other large condo buildings and business's and their owners in the area, who strongly urge you all to drop your plans and considerations for this area of our wonderful City.

In closing, your email acknowledgement of this petition would be appreciated and receiving a written statement regarding yours and the Councils position on this matter, would go a long way to satisfying the concerns of the Taxpayers in Venice while you all are considering this matter.

Lastly, if I or anyone else associated with this action can be of service to you and the City of Venice in this regard, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

Dana Alan Lilly

Castine. Maine and Jetty Villas, Unit #30, Venice, FLA.

www.dalconsultingllc.com

From: Dana [mailto:concrete@gwi.net]

Sent: Sunday, May 01, 2016 10:13 AM

To: adelebo@att.net; ajarrighi@gmail.com; captgreeley@aol.com; cja143@aol.com; ddsdave@usawebnet.net; dshanley4@verizon.net; flavjo@comcast.net; fors1585@aol.com; fpwigs1585@gmail.com; gfrantz@ameritech.net; j.gurdjian@comcast.net; jettyvillas@aol.com; jimlorruss@aol.com; judycross7@verizon.net; junecmorg@aol.com; lesli5@juno.com; letomasetti@yahoo.com; louiseolsen248@hotmail.com; m522n@yahoo.com; mollybartlett422@gmail.com; olsenbob@rocketmail.com; rgris@fltg.net; schmielewski@verizon.net; sjbocz@yahoo.com; vi.page@comcast.net; wcr@wideopenwest.com; arrighi5@verizon.net; baldwin_diane@yahoo.com; jncrary@yahoo.com; adenatale@stroock.com; cyne435@aol.com; rick@gurdjian.com; alba422@aol.com; mtnofstars49@aol.com; ewmurphy42@yahoo.com; kquigley@bellsouth.net; croberts@lecom.edu; barryalberter@msn.com; gitabauerle2004@yahoo.com; tfberkey@gmail.com; george14650@cox.net; aablakley@prodigy.net; dbond309@aol.com; iesinc@aol.com; dbrintz@aol.com; Rgbrooks68@yahoo.com; patbull880@yahoo.com; jjbyrnesr@aol.com; johncjac@juno.com; emiliocc@outlook.com; kcarpenter5@hotmail.com; mcc2840@gmail.com; jannie65@gmail.com; hankc613175@gmail.com; chasdare@yahoo.com; bahiavistaclub@msn.com; btdesmond@comcast.net; digregoriojames_@hotmail.com; grettaannd@aol.com; billefg@sbcglobal.net; agelias2@gmail.com; tfeatherston@comcast.net; gman57@comcast.net; jgallagher48025@yahoo.com; exfed@ME.com; joangenovese@optonline.net; drollgillig14@gmail.com; donsgrant@comcast.net; bbhaddock@yahoo.com; jerryhannon51@gmail.com; Kjhsatch@aol.com; heyheywood@comcast.net; patgeorge301@aol.com; tfholmes33@gmail.com; res16z6s1@verizon.net; esmjensen@comcast.net; whjervy@aol.com; fjurgens@gmail.com; kapsiak@aol.com; Petev07@comcast.net; ask.agape@verizon.net; kee39@aol.com; ptbmking@aol.com; ldkowalski@comcast.net; wmkreul@gmail.com; linda.krothe@verizon.net; barbl721@comcast.net; lee.lichtle@verizon.net; waloiselle@aol.com; mlutsky@schools.nyc.gov; bjmacklin@comcast.net; dotgmohr@comcast.net; samoretti1@gmail.com; jhsmunoz@gmail.com; knaherny@gmail.com; nfness@udel.edu; jnjnewell@gmail.com; biclnichol@gmail.com; sha1par@aol.com; mercycasey@aol.com; AVPLMP9@GMAIL.COM; stan.jan@comcast.net; joanpollock@hotmail.com; billnsue2501@sbcglobal.net; cnramsay2@comcast.net; anndan970@aol.com; valenciaotg@comcast.net; georgeromanowski@gmail.com; mjrouvet@verizon.net; treasurer@brezzadelmare.com; sassy08angel@gmail.com; pschenks@prodigy.net; rschiller9@msn.com; zakus@verizon.net; jsfish53@gmail.com; president@brezzadelmare.com; wstanek@gmail.com; rstannard@comcast.net; normanstapleton@yahoo.com; gulfnbay@live.com; theisenbarbara@yahoo.com; johnmagg@comcast.net; fredctoms@hotmail.com; TT2E@aol.com; vanthofp2@comcast.net; amadovarona@hotmail.com; wendywv1126@gmail.com; weberhauser@verizon.net; rwenzke@aol.com; ed.wolkiewicz@gmail.com; jimyoung37@yahoo.com; masterz9@live.com; zimjack@aol.com; randyzito@yahoo.com

Cc: Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Traffic Advisory Task Force <TrafficAdvisoryTaskForce@venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; jjaspernc@gmail.com; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; jryan@venicechamber.com; npende6361@aol.com; jgs@pobox.com; Jean Trammell <JTrammell@Venicegov.com>; BCC@scgov.net; earle.kimel@heraldtribune.com; redrmd@verizon.net; ronfazz@verizon.net; djackson@swflgovlaw.com; CJA143@aol.com; erin@VeniceMainStreet.com; Economic Development Advisory Board <EconomicDevelopmentAdvisoryBoard@venicegov.com>; crhdlh@msn.com; berniepappas@gmail.com; John Veneziano <JVeneziano@Venicegov.com>; ggiles@venicegondolier.com; Ellen <celticpoetess@yahoo.com>; Cinda Roberts <croberts@lecom.edu>;

Jack Hanna <info@jackhanna.com>

Subject: Humphries Park Petition - Jetty Villas Area- Update for Today

To All:

Keep up the good work, I think the City Officials are starting to get the message, keep sending those emails to the City officials and to all you know in order to have a voice in this matter that is heard by the City of Venice!

Please forward this link to all those you know who will voice their objection to the City officials; <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/296/869/733/> .

We are well over 100 strong now and still growing everyday!

Sincerely,

Dana Alan Lilly

Castine. Maine and Jetty Villas, Unit #30, Venice, FLA.

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From: John Holic
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2016 9:25 PM
To: janet loy <jloyostoin@gmail.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Humphris Park

Dear Ms. Loy,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

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From: janet loy <jloyostoin@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2016 4:17 PM
Subject: Humphris Park
To: John Holic <jholic@venicegov.com>

Please no food truck or "porta jons" at Humphris Park!! One of favorite thing to do is o to go to "The Jetty" and have a hot dog on the deck of Anita's Sandcastle. We don't want it changed, don't want it pavedjust leave it the way it is. Most people who live in Venice love our city for it beautiful downtown and beach access. Don't change this please!!! All the new planned subdivisions and all the new traffic is bad enough. We don't want to to see our community changed into a Lakewood Ranch. Naples (not like it used to be!) or Fort Myres!

Sincerely,
Janet Loy

From: John Holic

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 3:29 PM

To: Jimlorruss@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; elavallee@venicecov.com; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: HumphrisPark

Dear Ms. Russo,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

From: Jimlorruss@aol.com [<mailto:Jimlorruss@aol.com>]

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 2:18 PM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; elavallee@venicecov.com; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>

Subject: HumphrisPark

My husband and I purchased our condo at Jetty Villas in 1979. We have enjoyed many years of rest, tranquility and spiritual nourishment at our "Little Bit of Paradise".

It saddens me and frightens me to think that our precious spot will be changed into a public nightmare because of the addition of food trucks and porta-potties. The South Jetty is a very special piece of nature and should be maintained and protected as a natural place. The more commercial the area becomes, the more of nature will be lost.

Please do not destroy such a special place with trucks and potties. Thank you. Lory Russo Jetty #19
1585 Tarpon Center Drive

From: Ensign, Erin [mailto:Erin.Ensign@columbuszoo.org]

Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2016 2:49 PM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: a letter from Jack Hanna

Dear Honorable Members of City Council:

My family and I are very proud to own property in Venice, Florida. This beautiful town has become our home away from home – we love the people, the businesses and of course, the amazing ocean views.

It was recently brought to our attention that changes were going to be made to the jetty. We were very disappointed to hear that the hot dog stand and the bathrooms were going to be demolished for food trucks and port-a-potties. What a sad loss for the community.

The jetty is iconic. Going to Venice is like stepping back into a time when life was simpler – when kids could play outside or a family could leave their doors unlocked. It is sad to think that these changes make the jetty vulnerable and threaten the property values of the surrounding homes.

It is the hope of the Hanna family that you and the mayor will reconsider and keep the jetty the beautiful landmark that it is today.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 614-645-3480.

Sincerely,

Jack Hanna

Director Emeritus, Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

Host, *Jack Hanna's Into the Wild* and *Jack Hanna's Wild Countdown*

From: John Holic

Sent: Tuesday, May 03, 2016 5:02 PM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Marion OLeary <m522n@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: THE JETTY

Dear Ms. OLeary,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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On Tue, May 3, 2016 at 11:41 AM -0700, "Marion OLeary" <m522n@yahoo.com> wrote:

DEAR MAYOR HOLIC.I LIVE YEAR ROUND AT JETTY VILLAS.#3.ON THE BEND COMING FROM THE JETTY.THE JETTY IS THE JEWEL OF VENICE.YOU DO NOT FIND ANY THING LIKE IT ANY WHERE ELSE .PLEASE DON,T SPOIL IT WITH FOOD TRUCKS AND TOILETS.IT WILL BE SO SAD TO SEE THAT HAPPEN.I AM SURE YOU WOULD NOT LIKE TO BE FACED WITH THIS PROBLEM IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.AS AN OWNER OF A VILLA I HAVE TO PUT UP WITH LOUD YOUNG PEOPLE AND LOUD MUSIC AND TRUCKS SPEEDING BY ALL TIMES OF NIGHT.WE NEED TO KEEP THE JETTY BEAUTIFUL.NOT TURN IT INTO CONEY ISLAND.VENICE HAS MANY PARKS NONE HAVE BATHROOMS OR FOOD.PLEASE LETS KEEP OUR JEWEL A WELCOME PLACE TO COME AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY. THANK YOU MARION O,LEARY.

From: Edward Lavallee

Sent: Friday, May 06, 2016 12:27 PM

To: Ensign, Erin <Erin.Ensign@columbuszoo.org>

Cc: Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; Lorraine Anderson <LAnderson@Venicegov.com>; Kathleen Weeden <KWeeden@Venicegov.com>; John Veneziano <JVeneziano@Venicegov.com>; Peter Boers <PBoers@Venicegov.com>; Linda Senne <LSenne@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: a letter from Jack Hanna

Mr. Hanna

Thank you for your correspondence. There are a lot of rumors circulating about the future of the jetty. One rumor is that we plan to replace the current bathrooms with porta-a-poties. That is not correct, and was never suggested by the City administration. The Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) owns the right-of-way on which Anita's Sandcastle is located. They have wanted the building removed for 20 years, but were also aware of a long-term lease between Anita's and the City. That lease expired in 2015. Since that time, we have allowed Anita's to continue to operate on a month-to-month basis while we re-engage with the ACOE to determine our options. According to the ACOE, the most serious safety risk to the existing building is the lift station and sewer line connected to the bathrooms. We are now exploring options with ACOE, our engineers, and area permitting agencies for removing the lift station from its current site and relocating the bathrooms to a safer location. However, the bathroom models we are envisioning are not port-a-poties. We have researched contemporary portable restroom systems that are comparable in size and amenities to the existing restrooms. They typically have ceramic fixtures, flush toilets, fresh running water, sinks, are ADA accessible, and in our situation, they would be connected directly to a sewer line. In function and appearance they resemble the existing stationary restrooms. The significant difference is that they would not reside on the ACOE right-of-way, and could be removed from the Jetty if we were threatened with a hurricane or other serious weather.

The mobile vendor food service was suggested as an option to maintaining a food service on the Jetty for the benefit of the public. It is unlikely under current state and regional permitting guidelines that we would be able to construct a new permanent building on the Jetty. A defined portable food vendor site was conceived as a solution in the event we are required to remove the existing Anita's Sandcastle building. We are working with ACOE to get a final determination.

Other unfounded rumors I have seen in print about the City's plans for the Jetty: paving the Jetty with asphalt, bringing music bands to the Jetty, serving alcohol on the Jetty – all untrue, and never suggested by the City administration.

We will keep the public informed of progress regarding the future services at the Jetty. Thank you for your expressed concern

From: Ensign, Erin [<mailto:Erin.Ensign@columbuszoo.org>]

Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2016 2:50 PM

To: Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>

Subject: a letter from Jack Hanna

Dear Mr. Lavallee,

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Sincerely,

Jack Hanna
Director Emeritus, Columbus Zoo and Aquarium
Host, *Jack Hanna's Into the Wild* and *Jack Hanna's Wild Countdown*

From: Edward Lavallee

Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:30 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; Karen O'Shea <kllyn2000@ameritech.net>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Cc: cja143@aol.com; George Frantz <gfrantz@ameritech.net>; Judy Gamel <JGamel@Venicegov.com>; Lorraine Anderson <LAnderson@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: Humphhris Park (South Jetty)

Mr. & Mrs. O'Shea

Thank you for taking the time to express your concerns about possible changes at the Jetty. Following are a few comments in response to various concerns appearing in e-mail dialogue:

- There was never an intention to place "port-a-poties" at the Jetty – but that rumor has persisted. My interpretation of that term is a relatively confining non-flushing fiberglass cubicle. What has been suggested is a transportable full-sized restroom suite. The models examined have ceramic or porcelain fixtures – with fully functioning running water. . Some have air conditioning. The number of individual restroom units in the systems we have examined range from four to eight. The units are ADA accessible. The system would be directly connected to the City's wastewater system and have flush toilets. The only noteworthy distinction between the existing restrooms and the suggested portable system is that in the event of a severe storm or hurricane warning the transportable system could be disconnected and moved to a safe location to eliminate the risk of storm related damage and potential wastewater pollution.
- The mobile vendor food service was proposed as a means of maintaining a food service at the Jetty in the event that Anita's Sandcastle has to be removed – the assumption being that there is a public desire for continuing food service at the Jetty. The determination of whether the current building has to be removed is being made by the property owners- the Army Corps of Engineers. We are working with our local agents to determine if and when the building must be removed .
- The building itself is composed of two metal boxes connected internally. The restrooms and deck were added to the frame along with the current exterior finish. Initial examination of the interior suggests that twenty years of salt air deterioration to the metal infrastructure has weakened the building and would make it difficult, if at all possible, to move. If it has to go it is probable that the building would be demolished. Also, it is unlikely, under federal and state current regulatory constraints, that a new permanent structure would be allowed on the Jetty- that is the rationale for suggesting portable restrooms and food service- to maintain what appears to be popular amenities

No decisions have yet been made concerning the restrooms or food service. Thank you again for your comments

From: John Holic

Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 6:15 PM

To: Edward Lavallee <ELavallee@Venicegov.com>; Karen O'Shea <kllyn2000@ameritech.net>; Lenox E. Bramble <LBramble@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Cc: cja143@aol.com; George Frantz <gfrantz@ameritech.net>

Subject: Re: Humphhris Park (South Jetty)

Dear Mr. And Mrs. O'Shea,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Karen O'Shea <kllyn2000@ameritech.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 1:31 PM
Subject: Humphris Park (South Jetty)
To: Edward Lavalley <elavalley@venicegov.com>, Lenox E. Bramble
<lbramble@venicegov.com>, City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>, John Holic
<jholic@venicegov.com>
Cc: <cja143@aol.com>, George Frantz <gfrantz@ameritech.net>

Good Afternoon:

My family has been an owner in the Jetty Villas complex for over 30 years. The South Jetty and Humphris Park will always hold a special place in our hearts. This is a place where we walk to watch the sunset, look for dolphins or just sit and watch the world go by and get lost in our thoughts. Anita's Sandcastle was a welcome addition 15 years ago. The addition of Anita's standing facility (versus the original cart) did not disrupt the feel and harmony of the Jetty Villas and the South Jetty because she has shortened hours and does not go into the sunset/evening when the South Jetty is at its busiest. It is a place where the owner/operator knows who you are and what you like.

This is a perfect time for me to write this because this past week I have been reflecting on the beauty and serenity of the Jetty Villas and Humphris Park. Seven years ago, I was married on the Jetty Villas' property with its beautiful backdrop of nature and warmth. That would not have been the case if there were food trucks, porta johns and excess traffic surrounding my home away from home.

Please do not change the peaceful harmony of Humphris Park/South Jetty. It is a welcome oasis to visitors, residents and owners alike. Food trucks and porta johns will provide irreparable damage to the quality of life and peace that the Jetty Villas/Bahia Vista owners and renters and Crow's Nest patrons have worked so hard to establish.

Very truly yours,

Karen and Edward O'Shea
George Frantz
Elizabeth, Aidan, Annabelle Frantz

Jetty Villas #7

From: John Holic
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 3:07 AM
To: debra derderian <dderderianma@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Elavalle@venicegov.com
Cc: cja143@aol.com
Subject: Re: Anita's Sand Castle

Dear Ms. DerDerian,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice

From: debra derderian <dderderianma@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 11:02:17 PM
To: John Holic; City Council; Elavalle@venicegov.com
Cc: cja143@aol.com
Subject: Anita's Sand Castle

Dear Mr. Mayor, Council, and City Manager,

My family and I have been part of the Venice community for many decades as owners at Bahia Vista and original owners at Jetty Villas #22 1585 Tarpon Center Drive. My sister attended Venice High School for a time and we are proud of Venice and its history and look forward to being part of its future.

I would like to voice my concern about the proposals regarding Anita's Sandcastle and the changes to the park area at the Jetty and the impact those proposals will have on the Venice community. Anita as well is a valuable asset to Venice. When I'm at her facility, I always hear new visitors to Venice as well as regulars comment on what a welcoming, warm and unique attraction it is to the area. Anita herself fosters this feeling and makes everyone feel part of her family.

I have read many of documents concerning the supposed violation of the Federal Right of Way and have the following concerns and challenges:

- It seems the claim of right of way is rather far-fetched since the documents don't seem to indicate objections when the facility was created.
- Why is the similar facility across the Intercoastal not being required to take the same action?
- Why can't the current facility simply be moved to the center of the area where the current picnic area is or in any case out of the right of way which, if I am reading the documents correctly, is 50 feet from the waterway.
- If the current proposal is adopted, it will be within 20 feet of the Jetty Villa property. If the 'portapotties' and food trucks lead to any destruction of our property or increase of

rodent or insect infestation, we will have grounds for legal action I believe. Any encroachment or trespass of park visitors will lead to more frequent calls to the police.

- Who will be determining what vendor truck will be allowed on the property?
- Who will be responsible for maintaining the 'portapotties'? It would seem to be the responsibility of the City which would be an increase of cost.
- In view of the fact that the current park regulations concerning dogs, drinking, speed, closing time and smoking in the park are not enforced at all, I would assume these proposed 'portapotties' and vendor trucks would not be supervised either. Anita is very responsible and proud of her participation in the park and the current facility and the hours she is open reflects that pride and sense of responsibility.

My family and I frequently walk the Jetty and enjoy Anita's and consider it part of our Venice experience as do many others. I would respectfully request that any changes deemed necessary would take into consideration the park neighbors and the Venice community. Many in Jetty Villa are permanent residents and vote in the Venice area. We will all be observing future actions with great interest.

Sincerely,
Debra DerDerian

dderderianma@gmail.com

921 Inlet Circle

Venice, FL 34285

4/16/16

Dear Judy,

Would you please be
kind enough to
distribute the attached
— in case it is not
printed in the paper.

Many thank yous.

I hope all is well
with you.

Kindest regards

Pat Wiggins



APR 19 2016

CITY MANAGER

copy to City

Food vendors at South Jetty

Why do we need food and washroom facilities (forget alcohol we have enough problems now). Any type of washroom would have to be monitored practically 24 hours because they are often not clean now and more than likely subject to vandalism. This park is not suitable. The Crow's Nest which is so close has great food and take out menu and have outside washrooms. Maybe if it was advertised more people would realize it was available.

Caspersen Beach has really great facilities and a good place for food vendor(s) given the location - it is not a built-up area like the South Jetty. There are also more opportunities for parking.

The Public Beach has ample parking with food at the Pavilion and Beach Shop and great washrooms. Maybe a mobile food vendor there to pick-up what the others are not doing.

A lot of parking spots are taken up at the Jetty by the Crow's Nest employees and customer parking throughout the day and evening - they also park on Inlet Circle. Food vendor(s) at the Jetty could create more of a parking problem.

The two-lane road is very often backed-up at sunset and weekends.

The South Jetty park is a fantastic place and offers a special ambiance and should be preserved and not threatened.

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☐ Asst. City Manager
☒ City Attorney
☒ City Clerk
☐ Staff

Many thanks.

Pat Weisins
921 Inlet Circle
Venice, FL 34285