

"City on the Gulf"

## City of Venice

Request to Speak (print legibly)

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☐ Audience Participation.

☒ Agenda - Topic: HOUSING + OPEN SPACE

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I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the evidence or factual representation, which I am about to give or present at the public hearing, held this 29 day of NOV 20 16 is truthful.

Signature: John Meeker

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**Questions for Comp Plan Workshop  
Nov 29, 2016**

**Housing**

1. Regarding draft section:

*Strategy HG 1.6.2 – Targeted Attainable Housing Locations*

*The City has identified the MUD, MUC, MUS and Medium and High Density future land use districts as appropriate for Attainable Housing development and redevelopment. Sites within these districts shall consider:*

- A. Major employment centers.*
- B. Transit corridors.*

What specific areas within **the Northeast Venice Neighborhood , Knights Trail Neighborhood, and Laurel Road Corridor** will be identified as Mixed Used Corridor (MUC), Medium Density and/or High Density future land use districts? In other words, what particular properties in these three neighborhoods would be eligible for a density bonus?

2. Would modular and/or mobile homes be allowed in the Northeast Venice Neighborhood , Knights Trail Neighborhood, and/or Laurel Road Corridor
3. Would government subsidized housing, such as HUD Section 8, be allowed in the the Northeast Venice Neighborhood , Knights Trail Neighborhood, and/or Laurel Road Corridor?
4. The Schedule indicates there will be a second round of "Neighborhood Meetings" before the Comp Plan is finalized and submitted to the City Council for consideration. Will this happen and if so, approximately when.

### **Parks and Open Spaces**

1. *One of the largest attended workshops was that for the Northeast Venice Neighborhood at the Elks in December 2015. At the workshop, the attendees ranked "Park and Recreational Areas" as their highest priority. In most all instances, the proposed location for the "Park and Recreational Area" was the old Venice Minerals (aka Ajax) property recently purchased by the City.*
  - a. Will the Comp Plan for the Northeast Venice reflect this highest priority placed on Parks and Recreation and if so, in what specific area(s)?
  - b. On Page 7 of the Knights Trail Neighborhood Profile (draft) this particular property recently purchased by the City is designated as "industrial-commercial". Should this not, as a minimum, be designated as "government uses"?

Note: Attached are pertinent pages from the Northeast Venice Neighborhood Profile (draft).



## Community Comments

The following represent a summary of the top, most received comments during the neighborhood workshop and also the online survey. Many more were received.

### Community Kickoff (November 24, 2015)

- *Roadway improvements along Pinebrook Rd (widened, added bike lanes)*

### Online Survey:

- *Limit development; no additional development*
- *Need more retail development*
- *Need a library*
- *Create a gateway along Laurel Road; increase setbacks to create a corridor*
- *Preserve green spaces*

### Neighborhood Workshop (December 7, 2015):

#### Other Comments Received:

- *Widen/improve Laurel Road*
- *Extend Knights Trail*
- *Less dense residential development*
- *No multifamily*
- *Need new parks*
- *Need community services (library, hospital, etc)*
- *Preserve (more) open space and conservation*

### Community Meeting (January 11, 2016)

- *Slow, planned growth*

### Other:

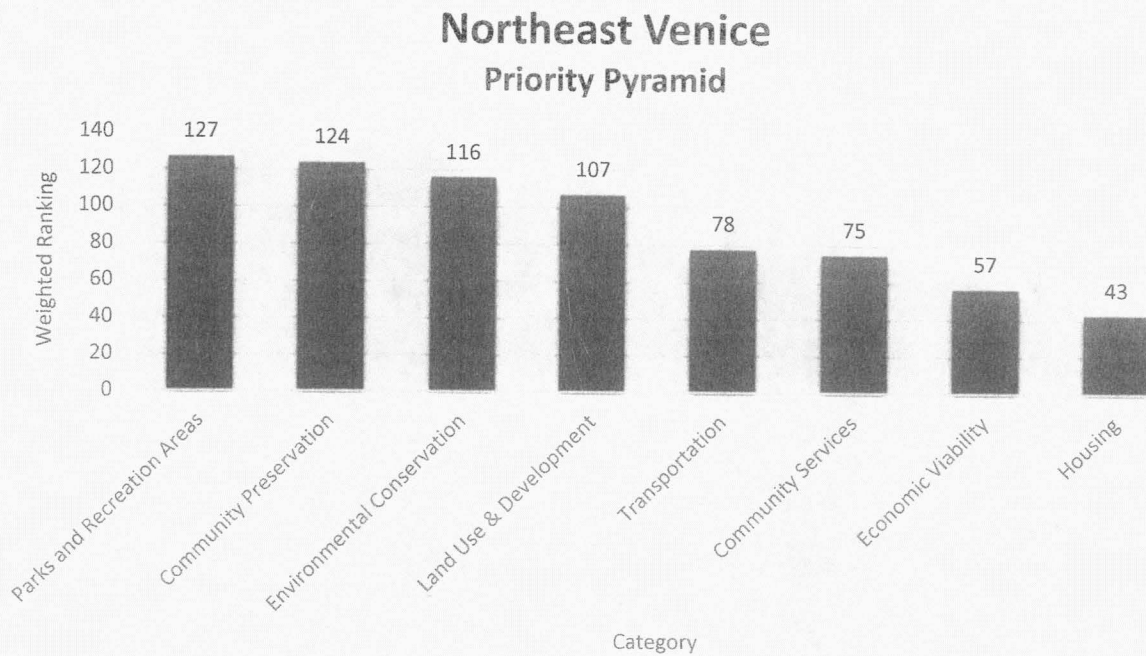
- *Less dense housing*
- *More retail services*
- *More parks and open spaces*
- *More bike lanes*
- *More public services (library, police)*

## Workshop Exercises

### **Priority Pyramid:**

Top 3 Rankings from the Priority Pyramid were as follows:

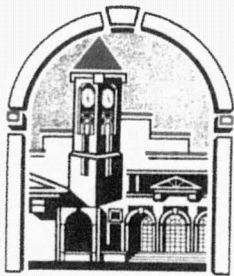
- *Parks and Recreation*
- *Community Preservation*
- *Environmental Conservation*



#### **One Word:**

Top One Word rankings from the Neighborhood Workshop and other Stakeholder meetings were as follows:

TODAY	VISION
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Rural	Nature Friendly
Rural	Nature Friendly
Rural	Nature Friendly
Rural	Nature Friendly
Rural	Scenic
Paradise	Scenic
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Paradise	Scenic
Paradise	Uncrowded
Peaceful	Uncrowded
Peaceful	Uncrowded
Peaceful	Quiet
Peaceful	Paradise



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