

## JoAnne Crawn-Brewer

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 8:36 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: The Comprehensive Plan

**From:** [sarag2nd@aol.com](mailto:sarag2nd@aol.com) [<mailto:sarag2nd@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 09, 2017 5:54 PM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** The Comprehensive Plan

Mayor Holic and Members of the Venice City Council:

As a Venice/Nokomis year-round resident for over 30 years I have witnessed so much growth in our area and much was welcomed in part due to traffic studies, developers paying for the new infrastructures required and impact fees, but development has gotten out of control now. I work in Sarasota and have grave concerns over the increasing traffic congestion during the snowbird season that I have been witnessing in just the last four years as I return to Venice. There is no way possible for an emergency vehicle to cross over the Island bridges late afternoons, a safety and life threatening issue for citizens and visitors alike. The traffic accidents now have more fatalities than in previous years. And the over crowding is negatively affecting our quality of life in so many ways, from parking, shopping, dining out, town special events (the Christmas and boat parades, 4th of July firework and festivals) and just going to the beach. Even my 12 year old, Sarasota born, granddaughter is concerned about the traffic congestion she is witnessing.

Your very important meeting and vote is being held during a work day and also when a percentage of our population is up north. I urge you to delay the vote on the Comprehensive Plan update until you can get sufficient input by having meetings when our part timers are in town and in the evening so employed residents can attend. These changes are not required until June 2018, a year away.

I am in opposition to the proposed changes to the Venice Comprehensive Plan Update as the changes being recommended serve to benefit real estate developers not the citizens of our special community. Please don't allow developers to create the University Parkway and I-75 dilemma in Venice.

Sara Gusmer  
1805 Faun Rd  
Venice, FL 34293

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Friday, June 9, 2017 6:52 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Edward Lavallee; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Rezone 07-07RZ.1 (S&J Properties)  
**Attachments:** Venice Comp Plan Update.doc

From: "Dan Lobeck" <[dlobeck@lobeckhanson.com](mailto:dlobeck@lobeckhanson.com)>

Date: Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 5:08 PM -0400

Subject: RE: Rezone 07-07RZ.1 (S&J Properties)

To: "John Holic" <[JHolic@Venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com)>, "Jeanette Gates" <[JGates@Venicegov.com](mailto:JGates@Venicegov.com)>, "Robert Daniels" <[RDaniels@Venicegov.com](mailto:RDaniels@Venicegov.com)>, "Richard Cautero" <[RCautero@Venicegov.com](mailto:RCautero@Venicegov.com)>, "Kit McKeon" <[KMCKEON@venicegov.com](mailto:KMCKEON@venicegov.com)>, "Deborah Anderson" <[DAnderson@Venicegov.com](mailto:DAnderson@Venicegov.com)>, "Fred Fraize" <[FFraize@Venicegov.com](mailto:FFraize@Venicegov.com)>

Cc: "Dave Persson - Persson & Cohen" <[dpersson@swflgovlaw.com](mailto:dpersson@swflgovlaw.com)>, "Lori Stelzer" <[LStelzer@Venicegov.com](mailto:LStelzer@Venicegov.com)>

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

Please consider the attached comments regarding the Comprehensive Plan revision which will be before you on Transmittal Hearing this Monday afternoon.

Given:

- (1) the June 1, 2018 deadline for adoption of your EAR-based amendments,
- (2) the fact that the current draft of the amendments has only been available for review for a little over a month,
- (3) the fact that your Land Development Code (LDC) should be amended first to include whatever you are moving into it from the Comprehensive Plan because otherwise the City will for a substantial time be left bare of those restrictions,
- (4) the very serious, extensive and substantial changes which the amendments would make to important matters including neighborhood compatibility, traffic and the environment, and
- (5) the deservedly bad optics of approving such changes in the dead of summer when most Venetians are away,

I urge that you continue your public hearing after hearing from those present to a date near the end of this year, and then use the time to hold public workshops on various topics, revise your LDC to take the provisions you decide to move from the Comp Plan and conform the Comp Plan revision more closely to the interests and desires of your constituents.

Thank you very much for your considerations.

Dan Lobeck, Esq.

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:10 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Development in Venice

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**From:** Susan Cairo [<mailto:scairo2@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:50 PM  
**To:** John Holic <[JHolic@Venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com)>; City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Cc:** Lori Stelzer <[LStelzer@Venicegov.com](mailto:LStelzer@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Development in Venice

No but in other towns it happens and I don't want it to happen here. See you tonight at the Roaring 20's party. I hope it's inside.

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**From:** John Holic <[JHolic@Venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com)>  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>; Susan Cairo <[scairo2@yahoo.com](mailto:scairo2@yahoo.com)>  
**Cc:** Lori Stelzer <[LStelzer@Venicegov.com](mailto:LStelzer@Venicegov.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:34 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Development in Venice

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

p.s. Susan, please provide one example of a city council member that has taken any money or services illegally in Venice and I will be happy to file an ethics violation against that person. I do not know of anyone on council with "overstuffed politician pockets". John

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**From:** Susan Cairo <[scairo2@yahoo.com](mailto:scairo2@yahoo.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 8:14 AM  
**To:** City Council  
**Subject:** Development in Venice

The reason why Venice is one of the Best Communities in the country is because it is not overdeveloped. Bonita, Naples, Sarasota are absolutely not a retirement destination because of their crowded streets, impossible parking and crime.

Do not ruin our town. I have lived her 14 years and watched it grow. Do not let the greedy developers destroy what we discovered years ago to be an oasis in the middle of overstuffed politicians pockets that have ruined any semblance of a good place to live.

I have worked for several large businesses in Venice doing Marketing. You can make a good living in the town without "selling your soul" for more money.

Keep Venice Beautiful - do not overdevelop.

Susan Cairo  
548 Marsh Creek Road  
Venice Florida.



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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 8:38 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: About changes to the Comprehensive Plan

**From:** Dennis Quardt [<mailto:denmary480@verizon.net>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 7:04 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** About changes to the Comprehensive Plan

Dear Council members:

Please be advised that we are full-time Florida residents and registered voters. We do not wish to have the Comprehensive plan stripped, enabling developers to build out land in nature areas, over-build on areas that are currently zoned for low density, and to change the roads in Venice from a current 'C' rating down to a 'D'. Do not approve your revised plan this summer, with the absence of full Council and while many registered voters are out of town.

Thank you.

~Mary Ann & Dennis Quardt

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 8:48 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ NOW!!!

**From:** Jean Garofoli [<mailto:jeangarofoli@icloud.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 8:34 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ NOW!!!

Venice City Council members:

In good conscience I encourage you to **preserve the current integrity of the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Venice and NOT eliminate and weaken restriction on developers.**

**Stripping current restrictions from the Comprehensive Plan would diminish all of what makes Venice to be characterized as 'quaint' not to mention the potential harmful effects on the natural habitats of birds and wildlife.** I am gravely concerned.

It is imperative that you do not allow the Comprehensive plan to be altered. **Venice will only continue to thrive with careful city planning and not by building out land in nature areas or in areas currently zones for low density.** I urge you to consider the treasures of Venice and the paradise it provides for residents and visitors and not allow it's demise. I am sure there are many other proposals that can be considered to generate revenue rather than this insult to the sanctity of Venice.

Please be advised! It is inappropriate to take away community protections from the residents of Venice and allow developers to benefit at the demise of the people that live in the community who pay taxes, and cast votes for the elected officials. **You need to stop this from happening!**  
I would be present but I am unable for this forum.

With the sanctity of Venice in mind,  
Jean Garofoli  
363 Turtleback Crossing  
Venice

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The Venice City Council is considering a comprehensive "Update" of its Comprehensive Plan to **eliminate and weaken** restrictions on developers.

Although only a few revisions are required by law to correct inconsistencies with the state statute changes, they are not required [until June 1, 2018.](#)

City leaders are anxious to **push** through this rewrite this summer, with **scant public input on what has been drafted and with many City residents out of town.**

**The Venice City Council is holding a public hearing at City Hall, 401 W. Venice Avenue,  
June 12, 1:00pm**

This is an opportunity to voice your concerns about having current restrictions stripped from the Plan. If the Comprehensive Plan is stripped, developers are free to build out land in nature areas, over build on areas that are currently zoned for low density, and change the type of buildings from residential to commercial. Our roads in the Venice area are currently rated C, on an A - F scale. **The revised plan lowers the standard to a D level.**

If a large number of residents come to the meeting on Monday to show the Council their disapproval of these new proposals that strip out communities' protections from over building and burden our roads and school system, the Council can be persuaded to delay the passage. With the current date they have set for approving the revised Plan it does not include the full Council which would impact the vote. If you are not comfortable speaking **just showing up is influential,**  
as we all represent **votes that drive politicians.**

**Just prior to the Council meeting a group is being assembled that will hold up signs and make a visible show of disapproval. This group will then go inside and join the meeting.**

**Can't be there?**  
**email the City Council, they WILL receive your email:**  
**[citycouncil@venicegov.com](mailto:citycouncil@venicegov.com)**



**IF YOU ENJOY OUR CURRENT ENVIRONMENT, PLEASE  
TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE COUNCIL WE DO  
NOT WANT OUR COMMUNITY PROTECTIONS STRIPPED  
AWAY AND TURNED OVER TO DEVELOPERS TO DO AS  
THEY WISH WITH OUR COMMUNITY WITHOUT PUBLIC  
CONSENT!**

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**Subject:** FW: strip the restriction for the developers

*From: Ling Lee [mailto:linglinlee1@gmail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:38 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: strip the restriction for the developers*

*City Councilmen and Councilwoman:*

*We do not want our community protections stripped away and turned over to the developers to do as they wish with our community without public consent!*

*Ling Lee  
308 March Creek Rd.  
Venice. FL*

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:55 AM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan for the Future Development of Venice

From: "Craig" <[eci2002@verizon.net](mailto:eci2002@verizon.net)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 10:44 AM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan for the Future Development of Venice  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Council Members,

My wife and I are strongly opposed to any weakening of the Comprehensive Plan for the current and future development of the Venice Community. We don't need to intensify the traffic, noise, crime, and all the problems that arise from the increased population density that plague so many other cities throughout the nation. We already have infrastructure problems that need to be fixed. Focus on making Venice a better community and improving the roads, the schools, the trails, the parks, the beaches, and the many things that attract visitors and revenue to our city.

Too often, developers shoehorn as many people as possible into an urban area. They quickly run to another community, pocketing their profits as council members and county commissioners scramble to pass on a tax assessment to pay for additional schools, roads, police, fire stations, and a host of other unrecognized costs. That must not happen here.

We are not against growth. We are for planned growth that includes involvement of our citizenry, not the growth dictated by developers headquartered outside the community. That growth must be in our court and must not be a commercial agenda that leaves us with no say so on what we envision as our future. Don't permit outsiders to court you with all the great benefits that they plan to heap upon us.

We currently live and own property in Venice and intend to return to Venice before the end of the month. Give us some good news upon our return. Do the right thing. Please represent us with integrity.

Thanks for your support.

Respectfully,  
Edward & Patricia Imhoff

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:55 AM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Disapproval

From: "Elaine Boyle" <[elboy821@gmail.com](mailto:elboy821@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 10:32 AM -0400  
Subject: Disapproval  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I strongly disapprove of the City Counsel making changes giving builders and developers more leeway in destroying our City.

Do the City leaders live in Venice? Apparently they don't care about our quality of life.

Elaine Boyle  
Marsh Landing Way

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Elaine

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:56 AM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Restrictions

From: "L K" <[lynnk\\_10541@yahoo.com](mailto:lynnk_10541@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 10:21 AM -0400  
Subject: Restrictions  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Please do not ease or reduce the necessary restrictions on development in Venice. We have seen what can happen when developers and builders are given free rein. This is not what is needed in Venice nor is it wanted by a majority of the residents of Venice. Venice is already getting overcrowded with our facilities and resources stretched to the breaking point.

We must protect our green spaces, air, water, flora and fauna from the onslaught of unthinking poor planned development.

Please do not ease any restrictions on builders or developers since they are not in business to protect our town, you are.

Thank you,  
Lynn Koretsky  
Marsh Creek Rd.  
Venice, fl.34292

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:57 AM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: PUBLIC HEARING @ CITY HALL ON 12 JUNE RE:COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

From: "Paul Wedge" <[pwedge99@comcast.net](mailto:pwedge99@comcast.net)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 10:11 AM -0400  
Subject: PUBLIC HEARING @ CITY HALL ON 12 JUNE RE:COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE VENICE CITY COUNCIL

We are residents of the City of Venice & **WE VOTE!**

We have been advised of the City Council's plan to "Update" or otherwise "Revise" the Comprehensive Plan.

- This "Update" would result in:

- Congested Traffic patterns due to commercialization of residential areas & burden not only our roads but also our school system.
- High density Housing from over building - changing the type of building from residential to commercial.
- & yes, much fewer natural preserves & nature areas within the city limits.

- Further, this proposed "Updated"/ "Revised" Plan would lower local zoning standards to a "D" zoning level from our current "C" rating - **UNACCEPTABLE!**

- The City Council will propose this "Update" with scant public input as many city residents are out of town.

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Paul & Lori Wedge  
647 Pond Willow Ln.

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**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Venice building

**From:** Janice Wilson [<mailto:janice7827@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:47 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Venice building

Dear Sir or Madam,

My husband and I are extremely concerned about the possibility of more building and of the destruction of nature in the Venice area. We are home owners in Sawgrass and in Triano, and we bought in these communities and this town because of the beauty, nature, and quiet of the area. We had looked into purchasing in Apopka, Sarasota, Ft. Myers, and Naples, but were consistently drawn back to the serenity of Venice. Now we understand that serenity is in jeopardy.

We are unable to attend the meeting on June 12 at 1:00 due to our jobs, but we want to voice our concerns. It is our understanding that if the Comprehensive Plan is stripped, developers will be able to build on land in natural areas, to overbuild on areas currently zoned for low density, and to change buildings from residential to commercial. This will overburden both our roads and our school system, as well as decrease the beauty of our area.

We are firmly against the continued building in Venice, and firmly against the stripping of this plan. Please consider the environment, the lifestyle, and the community at large and prevent the overbuilding of Venice that is so prevalent in other major towns in Florida.

Sincerely,

Janice Wilson  
Mark Sojak  
599 Mossy Creek Road  
1010 Triano Circle  
Venice, FL

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 8:53 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Update

*From: Norman Guy [mailto:normg187@aol.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:52 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Update*

*Can not be at this meeting but I am against changing anything.*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 8:55 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Change

*From: Norman Guy [mailto:normg187@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:01 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Change*

*I am against changes being made while people are gone. Thank you for not pushing this through. Linda and Norman Guy*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:49 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Stop your foolish plan for Venice

From: "Thomas Hurley" <[hurl300@verizon.net](mailto:hurl300@verizon.net)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 12:43 PM -0400  
Subject: Stop your foolish plan for Venice  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

You all need to look in the mirror and see your way to stop this foolish growth you are planning. Do your Job.

Thomas Hurley  
[hurl300@verizon.net](mailto:hurl300@verizon.net)

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:50 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update

From: "J Cardillo" <[jcard01@aol.com](mailto:jcard01@aol.com)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 12:39 PM -0400  
Subject: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Mayor Holic and Members of the Venice City Council:

First off, you are holding a very important meeting and vote during a work day and also when a percentage of our population is up north. I urge you to delay the vote on the Comp Plan update until you can get sufficient input. Maybe when our part timers are in town and in the evening when us working folk can attend. These changes are not required until June 2018, a year away.

I am in opposition to this Venice Comprehensive Plan Update as the changes being recommended serve to benefit real estate developers not the citizens of our community.

Here are parts that I am opposed to:

1. Changing density and compatibility requirements with neighboring homes.
2. Removing development restrictions under the guise of moving them into the Land Development Code in the future. There is no need to remove these restrictions at all.
3. Under the guise of "affordable housing" building density would be allowed to double, and all the builder has to do is limit the price for 10 years. While we all recognize affordable housing as a noble venture, it should not be allowed to create tenement communities.
4. Lowering the acceptable level of service on City roads is a sham. The difference in traffic congestion and road use is readily apparent between normal times and "the Season" when the snowbirds are in town. Any studies which purport to show otherwise are outright lies. Developers need to recognize the traffic impact they are producing and pay their reasonable share of the cost of road improvements, not make the taxpayer's absorb it.
5. The impact on the environment is greatly weakened in the new plan by removing chapters in the existing plan and changing various words.
6. Consideration for school capacity has been considerably weakened by changing the word from "will" to "may" when using inadequate school capacity to deny a planned rezoning.

Please put this vote on hold until you can get proper public input. Let's stop giving the developers the decisions on what happens to our community.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Cardillo

115 Sunnyside Drive

Venice, Florida 34293

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:12 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: High Density Housing - Venice Road Rating C

**From:** Detlef Fuhrmann [<mailto:duisburg728@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 4:34 PM  
**To:** John Holic <[JHolic@Venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com)>  
**Cc:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>; [activity@sawgrassvenice.org](mailto:activity@sawgrassvenice.org); Joni & Paul Vachon <[jonivachon830@gmail.com](mailto:jonivachon830@gmail.com)>; Denise Conrad <[denise@deniseconrad.com](mailto:denise@deniseconrad.com)>; Jim Paulin <[castlecaresuncoast@gmail.com](mailto:castlecaresuncoast@gmail.com)>; Lori Stelzer <[LStelzer@Venicegov.com](mailto:LStelzer@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: High Density Housing - Venice Road Rating C

You are very welcome, John.

In the long run, it will be much more valuable for the town to keep it's character and prevent overbuilding and overpopulation. There are hundreds of other towns that succumbed to the temptation of over the top development. That only reduces the quality of life in those places considerably and the property values decline. Kind regards,

Detlef

On Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 4:01 PM, John Holic <[JHolic@venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@venicegov.com)> wrote:

Dear Edith and Detlef,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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**From:** Detlef Fuhrmann <[duisburg728@gmail.com](mailto:duisburg728@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:52 PM  
**To:** City Council  
**Cc:** [activity@sawgrassvenice.org](mailto:activity@sawgrassvenice.org); Joni & Paul Vachon; Denise Conrad; Jim Paulin  
**Subject:** High Density Housing - Venice Road Rating C

Dear Council Members:

We heard about the hearing at City Hall on June 12. Since we will not be able to attend, we hereby voice our objection to any zoning changes without public consent.

We do not want our community protections and restrictions stripped away and jeopardize the present character of the town. Do not turn Venice into another Pompano Beach!

Sincerely,

Edith Bley-Fuhrmann  
Detlef Fuhrmann

728 Sawgrass Bridge Road  
Venice, FL 34292

Cell: [203-940 3603](tel:203-940-3603)

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:10 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: overdevelopment

**From:** Jane Carter [<mailto:airportmanagement@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 2:03 PM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** overdevelopment

Do not remove or decrease the restrictions for developers. Stop the over developing of this city.

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 2:19 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Plan

From: "Emily" <[emshank@comcast.net](mailto:emshank@comcast.net)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 2:07 PM -0400  
Subject: Plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

We are away and cannot attend the next meeting. Count us against a plan that will endanger our community with more traffic, less wild life and the serenity of a small community.

Think about the water usage , in fracture, new schools, higher taxes that will be needed to hire more police and firemen. You may think that things are better if growing bigger and better, NOT ALWAYS, like trees and plants, you still need to cut them down to keep them in good shape.

We chose Venice 17 yrs. ago and enjoy our community and we will continue to volunteer and support it.

Hank & Emily Sarnecke  
594 Sawgrass Bridge Rd.  
Venice, Fl. 34292

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:13 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Venice Development

*From: Nancy Simmonds [mailto:nancyg3422@gmail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 4:39 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Venice Development*

*There should be a moratorium on building new homes in Venice. The charm and attraction of this vacation destination is being eroded by poor planning and overgrowth in population and car traffic. Parking is an issue to go anywhere downtown. The infrastructure cannot withstand more building to say nothing of the destruction of wildlife habitat and soil erosion.*

*Nancy Simmonds*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 5:56 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comp Plan Revision -- The Repeal of Needed Policies  
**Attachments:** Venice Comp Plan Update.doc

From: "Dan Lobeck" <[dlobeck@lobeckhanson.com](mailto:dlobeck@lobeckhanson.com)>

Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 5:26 PM -0400

Subject: Comp Plan Revision -- The Repeal of Needed Policies

To: "John Holic" <[JHolic@Venicegov.com](mailto:JHolic@Venicegov.com)>, "Jeanette Gates" <[JGates@Venicegov.com](mailto:JGates@Venicegov.com)>, "Robert Daniels" <[RDaniels@Venicegov.com](mailto:RDaniels@Venicegov.com)>, "Richard Cautero" <[RCautero@Venicegov.com](mailto:RCautero@Venicegov.com)>, "Kit McKeon" <[KMCKEON@venicegov.com](mailto:KMCKEON@venicegov.com)>, "Deborah Anderson" <[DAnderson@Venicegov.com](mailto:DAnderson@Venicegov.com)>, "Fred Fraize" <[FFraize@Venicegov.com](mailto:FFraize@Venicegov.com)>

Cc: "Dave Persson - Persson & Cohen" <[dpersson@swflgovlaw.com](mailto:dpersson@swflgovlaw.com)>, "Lori Stelzer" <[LStelzer@Venicegov.com](mailto:LStelzer@Venicegov.com)>, "Jeff Shrum" <[JShrum@Venicegov.com](mailto:JShrum@Venicegov.com)>, "[earle.kimel@heraldtribune.com](mailto:earle.kimel@heraldtribune.com)" <[earle.kimel@heraldtribune.com](mailto:earle.kimel@heraldtribune.com)>, "Holly Laird" <[hlairdpbs@gmail.com](mailto:hlairdpbs@gmail.com)>

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

I have worked further to identify some of the important restrictions on development which the City will be left without if it removes them from the Comprehensive Plan before it adds them to the Land Development Regulations.

I don't find any of the development restrictions which are being deleted from the Comprehensive Plan in the Venice Land Development Regulations (from my review of them in Municode).

They include (but are not limited to) the following Policies in the Future Land Use & Design Chapter of the current Comprehensive Plan:

2.5 Streetscape Design

2.6 Landscape Design (the LDR's generally address only landscaping in buffers and vehicular use areas)

2.7 Façade Design

4.1 Active Public Realm

4.2 Human Scale Buildings and Streetscapes

4.3 Design Features

5.1 Multi-modal Accessibility

5.2 Parking Structures and Facilities

6.2 Service Facility and Infrastructure Placement

7.1 Welcoming Outdoor Spaces, Parks, and Public Spaces

7.2 Outdoor Rooms and Gathering Spaces

7.3 Functional Open Spaces

8.1 Smart Growth and Sustainable Development Practices

8.3 Architectural Standards

8.4 Large-Scale Retail Structure Standards

8.6 Integrated Site Planning Criteria

9.2, 9.3 and 9.4 (Details regarding Building Heights not found in the Land Development Regulations)

10.3 Building Facades

10.4 Rooflines

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- 10.5 Building Entranceways and Access Points
- 10.6 General Massing and Bulk Standards
- 10.7 Landscaping and Shade Structures
- 11.4 Parks and Public Spaces Development
- 11.7 Environmental Best Management Practices
- 11.8 Green Design

In addition to these development controls that are being repealed by the new Comprehensive Plan throughout the City, the detailed restrictions on development in the many Planning Areas are being largely repealed as well.

Also, although some existing Comp Plan Policies find treatment in the new Comp Plan, the new wording is dramatically sparser and weaker, resulting in less regulation of development. Examples are as follows:

- 7.4 Neighborhood Parks (compare new OS 1.1, which allows "lakes", such as stormwater ponds, to substitute for parks)
- 8.7 Transportation and Access Management Criteria (compare the much sparser new LU 1.3.4, Interconnected Circulation)
- 10.1 Block to Block Compatibility and 10.2 Unified Community Character (compare to the scant new LU 1.3.7)
- 11.1 Development Capacity and Resources and 11.2 Development Pay As You Grow (compare the much weaker new LU 1.3.6)
- 11.6 Natural Open Space Preservation and Restoration (compare the much sparser new LU 1.3.5)

Also, there is a policy of great importance to nonconforming condominiums that is being repealed, 10.8 Nonconforming Multi-Family Structures. Although it directs the adoption of an LDR for this by 2012, I don't find it. Compare the much weaker new OS 1.9.3.

Although design standards are found in the LDR's for the Venetian Gateway District and the Venetian Urban Design District, and to a lesser extent for the Commercial Mixed Use District, they are generally different than the design standards being stripped from the Comprehensive Plan, and of course apply only in the specified areas, such as generally along East Venice Avenue and US 41 Business south of Milan Avenue.

Again, this makes a compelling case for continuing the transmittal hearing for the period of months necessary to first amend the Land Development Regulations to add whatever is to be moved to them from the Comprehensive Plan, and to determine which of these Policies should remain in the Plan. Also of course the delay is needed in order to correct other serious problems in the proposed Comp Plan revision which I have identified in the memo which I again attach to this email.

Again, thank you for your considerations in this very important matter.

-- Dan Lobeck

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 5:58 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan "Update"

From: "leslie" <[lesvilcone@aol.com](mailto:lesvilcone@aol.com)>  
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 5:31 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan "Update"  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

This first Draft being reviewed by the Mayor and city Council must be a mistake.

It seems to be written by or for Developers and is not in any way going to benefit

the citizens of Venice now or in the future. Increasing the density of new neighborhoods,

How is this good for our city. This goes against all of the things that have made the city of Venice special.

Where are the safe guards of the last ten year plan, they seem to be working very well up

To now. The State does not mandate changing these safe guards, But of course the Developers

Want them change so they can improve profits. Speaking of profits, what are the developers

Giving the city for allowing them to build all the new developments in our area. Also, the last

Time I looked up the financials of our local developers around the Venice area they are all

doing very well indeed. How about having the developers contribute to a building fund for

a Venice community center for citizens 55 and older, it should have a pool, jogging track,

small café work out equipment etc. That's what other City's do for their citizens. Not every one

can afford to join the YMCA.

The Truth is it's time to ask these developers what they can do for our City, not the other

way around. By the way, I thought the City Council worked for us, or is that too old fashion.

Leslie Vilcone, 111 Auburn Woods Circle

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2017 7:54 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan Concern

**From:** "Kathleen Economides" <[kathleendecono@gmail.com](mailto:kathleendecono@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 6:27 PM -0400  
**Subject:** Comprehensive Plan Concern  
**To:** "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I am writing to express my ongoing concern with the change in land use designation in the Comprehensive Plan for Pinebrook South from low density, medium density and institutional/professional to mixed use residential.

I am unable to attend the meeting on June 12 because I am away but I have addressed this concern at previous Planning Commission meetings and continue to have the same observations.

1. It appears as if the intent of this plan is to treat all PUDs the same no matter what their differences may be. Because Pinebrook South is a PUD, it is being forced into the mixed use residential designation. This raises major development issues affecting the quality of life of residents.
2. The document states that the community supports mixed use areas and new urbanism. Pinebrook South does not support the mixed use residential designation for our community and we have been very vocal about this. Our community is composed of privately owned residences and a nursing care facility. To even think about this area being considered for new urbanism is upsetting to say the very least. Mixed use development is a concept generally used in urban areas.
3. Pinebrook Nursing Facility is the only such facility that will not retain its institutional/professional designation in the proposed Comprehensive Plan. Harbor Chase, Bay Breeze and Manor Care all retain their institutional/professional designation. So too do the Catholic Diocese of Venice and Bella Vita. There is inconsistency here. Simply because Pinebrook Nursing Facility is in a PUD seems like a lame justification for changing its designation.
4. The proposed plan states the mixed use residential is potentially incompatible with institutional/professional. What sense does this make with Pinebrook Nursing Facility, a health care institution, in the Pinebrook South PUD?

It seems as if the mixed use residential category is a "planner and developer dream." Pinebrook South is not an urban area nor do we wish to be. People chose to live in Pinebrook South for peace and quiet. The mixed use residential designation is inappropriate for Pinebrook South and renders the community open to problem development,

I ask that you carefully review this issue and many others before approving a plan so many residents oppose. The timing of this meeting makes it impossible for many to attend and voice their concerns. It would seem as if several public hearings held at different times of the day and when many residents are not away would go a long way in meeting public concerns and trust.

Thank you for working to keep Venice the desirable community we all enjoy. A lot of work has gone into the proposed Comprehensive Plan, but some additional revisions should be made.

Kathleen Economides



Pinebrook South resident

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:34 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Quality of life Venice

*From: Lawrence W. Corman [mailto:lcorlaw@aol.com]  
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:51 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Quality of life Venice*

*To remove restrictions on building and increase road traffic is a prescription for disaster.  
One reason all of us moved to our wonderful town was the relative lack of crushing crowds and traffic.  
To interfere with our quality of living by removing building restrictions is something that will hurt everyone except developers.*

*Larry Corman  
400 Otter Creek Dr.  
Venice*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:37 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Keep Restrictions on Developers

**From:** GERRY HALLGREN [<mailto:riverview006@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 8:44 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Keep Restrictions on Developers

Please do NOT weaken or eliminate restrictions on Developers in Venice.

Unlike so many cities in FL, Venice has areas set aside for nature, few high density developments, reasonable traffic, and a respect for its history. This is why I am a home owner and resident of Venice. Please do not change this!!!

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Gerri Hallgren

546 Sawgrass Bridge Rd.

Venice, FL

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:37 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Important meeting on Comp plan!

From: sandra halwachs <[shalwachs@hotmail.com](mailto:shalwachs@hotmail.com)>  
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 9:57 AM  
Subject: Important meeting on Comp plan!  
To: John Holic <[jholic@venicegov.com](mailto:jholic@venicegov.com)>

Mayor Holic and Members of the Venice City Council,

First off, you are holding a very important meeting and vote during a work day and also when a percentage of our population is up north. I urge you to delay the vote on the Comp Plan update until you can get sufficient input. Maybe when our part timers are in town and in the evening when us working folk can attend. These changes are not required until June 2018, a year away.

I am in opposition to this Venice Comprehensive Plan Update as the changes being recommended serve to benefit real estate developers not the citizens of our community.

Here are parts that I am opposed to:

1. Changing density and compatibility requirements with neighboring homes.
2. Removing development restrictions under the guise of moving them into the Land Development Code in the future. There is no need to remove these restrictions at all.
3. Under the guise of "affordable housing" building density would be allowed to double, and all the builder has to do is limit the price for 10 years. While we all recognize affordable housing as a noble venture, it should not be allowed to create tenement communities.
4. Lowering the acceptable level of service on City roads is a sham. The difference in traffic congestion and road use is readily apparent between normal times and "the Season" when the snowbirds are in town. Any studies which purport to show otherwise are outright lies. Developers need to recognize the traffic impact they are producing and pay their reasonable share of the cost of road improvements, not make the taxpayer's absorb it.
5. The impact on the environment is greatly weakened in the new plan by removing chapters in the existing plan and changing various words.
6. Consideration for school capacity has been considerably weakened by changing the word from "will" to "may" when using inadequate school capacity to deny a planned rezoning.

Please put this vote on hold until you can get proper public input. Let's stop giving the developers the decisions on what happens to our community.

Sincerely,

Ken and Sandi Halwachs

3021 Border Rd

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**Victor M. Romano**

708 Egret Walk Lane

Venice, Florida 34292

June 11, 2017

John Holic, Mayor

Kit McKeon

Jeannette Gates

Bob Daniels

Deborah Anderson

Fred Fraize

Rich Cautero

Dear Mayor, Councilmen and Councilwomen:

My wife Charlene and I have been full-time residents here in Sawgrass, in Venice for almost five years. We have been property owners and voters here for 12 years. We came here because of what Venice was then and has remained for most of these years. While we understand growth, (we lived in Southern California for 24 years and saw what it did there) we do not agree with filling up every little postage stamp sized piece of property with homes. We completely and without reservation disagree with your plans to develop 39 acres on Auburn and Border roads with anything at all. Our disagreement is based on the following factors:

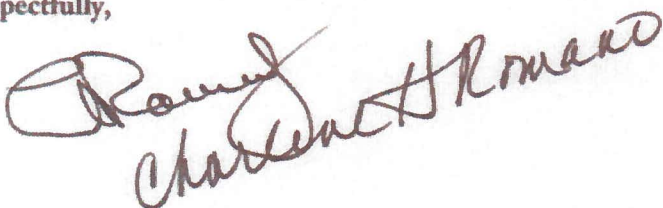
- The destruction of open space;
- The intensification of noise from I-75;
- The infusion of traffic, an estimate of 200 plus more vehicles in and out daily;
- Construction collateral damage, noise, dust, diesel fumes, other airborne and water borne effluents;
- Destruction of avian habitat including those for bald eagles;
- Negative impact on traffic, parking, schools, beaches and greater demands upon fire, safety and police resources;
- Road safety (ask your own Police Department who refer to Auburn Road as the Auburn Road Speedway).
- Storm water retention practices; 118 homes will have roofs, sidewalks, driveways, patios and roads, all impervious surfaces. Rainfall will wash off these surfaces and carry surface materials, fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and other unwanted materials into the surrounding areas and most likely will flow our way, towards Sawgrass not I-75 or Foxlea Farms;

We moved here because it WAS NOT Tampa, St Petersburg, Naples, Ft Myers or even Sarasota. It was Venice, the City on the Gulf. Look at your own website promoting:

**Venice ranks No. 2 in state on Best Cities to Retire list**

Why are you so determined to change this? Look at what is coming on Honore Blvd. This is NOT what we bought into. You must be responsive to and responsible for the people of Venice, Florida. Please do not approve this project.

Respectfully,

  
Victor M. Romano

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:40 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Update on the Comprehensive plan

**From:** Gary Grim [<mailto:garygrim487@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 10:37 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Update on the Comprehensive plan

Do not strip out the restrictions of the Comprehensive Plan do not push through the rewrite of the restrictions . Leave them in place.

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Gary L. Grim  
635 Sawgrass Bridge Road  
Venice FL 34292

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**JoAnne Crown-Brewer**

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 1:54 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comp plan revision

From: "DONALD" <[djlaker@comcast.net](mailto:djlaker@comcast.net)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 12:43 PM -0400  
Subject: Comp plan revision  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

**Venice Council Members**

I have been a property owner in Venice since 1982 and have seen our city grow many- fold. We need to control development so that we can maintain the small town feel of our city.

If the state law requires changes, why not just make those changes, rather than strip the comp plan of all its controls. At most, put all the deleted items in the Land use document before you remove them from the comp. plan.

Why not wait until all council members will be present and at a time when most of our residents will be here rather than up North.

What is the Rush?

Julia Laker  
584 Mossy Creek Dr  
Venice, FL

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 1:57 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan Recommendation

From: "[ggboydjr@gmail.com](mailto:ggboydjr@gmail.com)" <[ggboydjr@gmail.com](mailto:ggboydjr@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 1:36 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Recommendation  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10  
Mayor Holic and Venice City Council Members:

Please delay the Comprehensive Plan for Venice.

To echo Mr. Dan Lobek's concerns, the Planning Commission removed numerous policies previously implemented under Mayor Martin's tenure that either conflicted with the city's own Land Development Regulations, or LDRs — the rules that carry out the Comp Plan — or called for expensive studies.

I share Mr. Lobek's concern that the update will "eliminate and weaken restrictions on developers" by removing certain policies.

As outlined in Mr. Lobek's critique of the proposed Comprehensive Plan, "(The) Update repeals almost all standards to guide the City in its public works, such as locating parks within a ¼ mile of residential areas, designing parking structures that blend in with the area, meeting 'multi-generational' recreational needs and designing according to crime prevention techniques". Additionally, Numerous desirable restrictions on development are removed entirely.

I share Mr. Lobek's concerns and urge you to please delay the Comprehensive Plan for Venice.

Respectfully,  
George G. Boyd  
1281 Lakeside Woods Drive  
Venice, FL 34285

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 1:58 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Cc:** Edward Lavallee  
**Subject:** Fwd: Development on Auburn Road.....Fox Lea Farm Development

From: "David Stafford" <[stafford5@msn.com](mailto:stafford5@msn.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 1:09 PM -0400  
Subject: Development on Auburn Road  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

We submitted a partition to the Planing Board to stop the development on Auburn Road with 51 signatures. We currently are on the Queen Mary 2 on the high seas and can not be at the council meeting on the 12th. We hope you will deny the application and save our environment, the Fox Lea Farm and keep our traffic down. There has been to much growth lately in Venice. Lets keep Venice a nice town not like Ft Myers or Naples. Also Fox Lee brings in \$\$\$\$ to Venice.

Sincerely

David and Charlotte Stafford  
756 Egret Walk Ln  
Venice, FL

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 4:02 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan Changes

From: "Paul Vachon" <[pvachon115@aol.com](mailto:pvachon115@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 2:55 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Changes  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I've reviewed these proposed changes and have serious concerns with the content and haste with which these are being fast tracked. There is a very strong appearance of impropriety here. It seems that there is a lot being given up to developers without much or anything being gained by the electorate.

This causes one to wonder whether those on the city council have something to gain personally. This is not an accusation but rather advice to your body that such suspicions must be fully dispelled before any proposed comprehensive plan actions are taken. On this basis alone, the proposed changes should be tabled, explained in detail regarding who exactly wins here, and ample time for hearings to be conducted for full disclosure and dialogue.

For the record, I am not someone who is opposed to change. I am actually a pro-change individual, not resistant to progress. I am however very much opposed to poor elected leadership, deceit, mistruths and corruption. Your council has a lot of explaining to do about advocating such changes as these. My hope is that you start doing so soon.

Sent from my iPad

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## JoAnne Crown-Brewer

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 4:02 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update

From: "[zermatt21@aol.com](mailto:zermatt21@aol.com)" <[zermatt21@aol.com](mailto:zermatt21@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 3:08 PM -0400  
Subject: Fwd: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

### Comments re Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan Update

**I urge the Venice City Council to delay the vote on the proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan Update, to subject it to a broader, more comprehensive and more inclusive discussion and not to vote on it in the absence of two known opponents to the plan.**

What makes Venice such an attractive area to most of its residences, is the fact that development is indeed limited, lots of green areas exist – many of them connected, roads and beaches are mostly uncrowded and the low key downtown area is quaint. In short, the area is very livable. Looking at a summary of the proposed changes to the Venice Comprehensive Plan Update, I get the feeling that all of this will change drastically if this plan is accepted. The changes appear as if they were proposed by developers and merchants and that the plan's primarily purpose is to serve their interests. We, the current residents, will not derive any benefits but will experience reduced green space, more crowds, more traffic and higher taxes to pay for the infrastructure required to enable and support the unavoidable flood of development.

Changes to the current Comprehensive Plan have to be made to meet State Laws. However, to rush the vote for such an important and impactful plan for Venice without a full and lengthy discussion via publications and several public hearings, thus allowing for all Venice residents to participate, and to do so without the presence of the entire City Council, gives the appearance that there is undue, if not unseemly, pressure by special interest groups. The interests of the general population are not given adequate representation. In short, it appears that the deck is continuing to be stacked in favor of the developers.

Reiner G Haggemiller  
444 Arborview Lane  
Venice, FL 34292

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## JoAnne Crawn-Brewer

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:44 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Upcoming/Monday Meeting

**From:** [mojobentley@comcast.net](mailto:mojobentley@comcast.net) [<mailto:mojobentley@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 3:08 PM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Cc:** Bentley, Maureen <[mojobentley@comcast.net](mailto:mojobentley@comcast.net)>  
**Subject:** Upcoming/Monday Meeting

Dear City Council Members,

We are unable to attend the meeting on Monday at 1 PM, but we wish to express our opposition to the planned rezoning and development along Auburn and Edmonson Road, near Sawgrass. We do not live in Sawgrass, but in nearby Triano, and this is our concern for the traffic, density, and aesthetics. We are strongly against the proposal, the lack of consideration for the neighborhood, and the encroachment and potential harm to the Fox Lea Farm. We implore you to please NOT grant the zoning change requested.

Sincerely,  
Maureen & Joe Bentley

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:46 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Comp plan

**From:** Catherine Schulz [<mailto:catherinenschulz@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 3:46 PM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Comp plan

Please do not gut the current plan.

We realize we can't be anti growth but the city must not become so proud development that we loose the charm of our little town.

Also developers must help bear  
the burden of expanding the infrastructure.  
Please reconsider.

Maurice and Catherine Schulz  
Full time registered Venice voters.

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:47 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crown-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Comprehensive plan

*From: Ruth Siedman [mailto:rag3375@verizon.net]  
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 4:03 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Comprehensive plan*

*Take the summer off, step back and think about if you really want to turn Venice to look like Naples and Ft Myers.*

*Whatever happen to "Shall" in many of these revisions. Developers do not care about our community; only interested in making money. Have we forgotten about Mr. Miller.*

*Venice residents like where they live.*

*To accommodate this growth what is going to happen to our roads and schools. During season it takes me 20 minutes to go from Auburn road to the island.*

*You need to go back to the drawing board and do not give the developers do whatever they want.*

*Ruth Siedman*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:50 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Development

**From:** Terry Field [<mailto:fieldtff@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 4:38 PM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Development

You are ruining the very thing that makes venice special. All this development will be the end of venice.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:05 PM  
**To:** Lori Stelzer; Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Changes to comprehensive plan

From: "JOANN GLAZEWSKI" <[joglazewski@sbcglobal.net](mailto:joglazewski@sbcglobal.net)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 5:57 PM -0400  
Subject: Changes to comprehensive plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Il urge you to reconsider your planned changes to the Comprehensive Plan.  
I can't imagine your thought process in considering these changes. We have chosen to live here based on the agenda focused on quality of our residents life. We love the walkability of our neighborhoods. The roads that allow relatively safe travel by bicycle, the renters who are here for the long term because they love the peaceful neighborhoods. With the baby boomers moving to Florida our area is exploding already. The developers have their way with us. Why would you remove the few protections that are in place for your residents?

Please consider your residents.  
JoAnn Glazewski

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:08 PM  
**To:** Lori Stelzer; Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan Updates

From: "Delance Knight" <[dknight@carlblack.com](mailto:dknight@carlblack.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 4:51 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Updates  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
Cc: "[fabbruzzino@yahoo.com](mailto:fabbruzzino@yahoo.com)" <[fabbruzzino@yahoo.com](mailto:fabbruzzino@yahoo.com)>

To the Venice City Council:

Regarding the comprehensive plan updates, as a full time, voting, tax paying resident of Venice FL, I urged you to delay them and reconsider because they do not provide benefits to the residents and citizens of Venice.

I would remind you that you were elected by residents just as myself, the people of Venice, to protect and defend our interests and properties.

Clearly, these updates do not do either of those rather they are in the interest of the developers, not at all for the citizens of Venice.

I am deeply concerned and angered that this effort has been done in such a sneaky and covert fashion.

Again, I implore you to delay the Comprehensive Plan Updates until further studies have been done and changes have been made to them that provide protection and benefit to the residents of Venice.

Sincerely,

Ronald DeLance Knight  
111 Corte Del Rosa  
Venice FL

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:09 PM  
**To:** Lori Stelzer; Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Venice Comprehensive Plan "Update" concern

From: "Joan K Vachon" <[jonivachon830@gmail.com](mailto:jonivachon830@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 4:25 PM -0400  
Subject: Venice Comprehensive Plan "Update" concern  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
Cc: "[fabbruzzino@yahoo.com](mailto:fabbruzzino@yahoo.com)" <[fabbruzzino@yahoo.com](mailto:fabbruzzino@yahoo.com)>

To the Council,

As a resident of Venice I am very concerned and opposed to there being what appears to be such a "rush" placed on the Venice Comprehensive Plan Update. There are too many concerns that need to be researched and explained to all the citizens of Venice; at this time of year most if not all of the Snowbirds have left and it is not right to consider making such changes without all being made aware.

It is absurd to have a meeting on 6/12/17 to approve updates when you have an entire year to do so. It is my understanding that on Monday if approved this will go to the state for review and could actually be adopted as early as summer's end. Why the rush?

I urge you to consider your residents and not what appears to be a consideration of the developers.

There are many concerns:

- 1--The Venice neighborhood compatibility policies will be severely weakened
- 2--Development standards are being removed---how can this help our city when restrictions that make it unique and protected are removed?
- 3--Important standards for City Planning are being removed---with focus on density of land use being increased and allowing more units per acre---not to mention this is being "sold" under the guise of "Affordable Housing"--which if I read correctly that it will have rental fees per unit applied BUT it holds for only 10 years when the developer then can raise the rents to whatever he pleases.
- 4--Land use designations will increase outrageously throughout Venice
- 5--I am concerned about the appearance of a reduction of land use development---in my estimation you are reclassifying land already built on to accommodate the predicted numbers---this needs to be presented and analyzed by more than just a select group.
- 6--A major concern in Venice is road usage---this is very vague and only foretells of traffic congestion without requirements for the city to keep up with such issues.
- 7--I am appalled at how the environmental concerns are weakened and even overlooked not to mention when mentioned that developers would be encouraged to consider the environment as opposed to setting exact restrictions on the developer prior to building.
- 8--a downgrade on the capacity of schools being considered before a developer is approved is of major concern!
- 9--The idea that short-term rentals could be reduced from a minimum of 3 months to about a month for residences in communities is nearing insane. Can you even imagine what this would do to our neighborhoods?!

I urge you to SLOW DOWN, think about why the rush, consider who you are doing this for (your residents who voted for you to protect us or the developers?) and PLEASE be honorable enough to address changes with all

residents when most are here in Venice--In-Season is when this should be addressed and finalized so that all residents can be properly informed.

I believe all Venice residents deserve a thorough explanation of the changes being considered by the Council. At this point we are not trusting what you are doing and wonder if there is an underlying reason for your doing so.

Sincerely,

Joan K Vachon

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:10 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum; Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer  
**Subject:** Fwd: Slower growth--do not change the long term growth plan

From: "Salvatore Vendemia" <[sbvend@comcast.net](mailto:sbvend@comcast.net)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 4:13 PM -0400  
Subject: Slower growth--do not change the long term growth plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I have been living in Florida now for over 16 years, I believe that we are growing so fast that the roads and schools cannot catch up. Would you please not do anything drastic and slow our growth down until you have a better idea. Please do not make any drastic changes on the "long term growth plan."

Salvatore Vendemia

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:13 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum; Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed Comprehensive Plan  
**Attachments:** Proposed Comprehensive Plan - Critique by Attorney Dan Lobeck.eml.eml

From: "Steve Wallace" <[swallace35@comcast.net](mailto:swallace35@comcast.net)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 4:05 PM -0400  
Subject: Proposed Comprehensive Plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

Dear Council Members:

At the regional neighborhood town hall meeting hosted at the Sawgrass Clubhouse on June 6, HOA atty. Dan Lobeck skewered Venice's proposed comprehensive plan basically as an egregious sellout to developers which would severely weaken the neighborhood compatibility policies protecting Pinebrook South where I live and most other neighborhoods in the city; it would also make other changes favoring developers and affect neighborhoods adversely. For further elaboration on deficiencies, I am attaching his distributed critique of the proposed plan which speaks for itself.

Even though many Venice residents have already registered complaints and suggestions covering some of the matters highlighted by Lobeck's disclosures, the fact that the Council has not widely publicized the proposed major changes might also imply hidden bias toward developers rather than primarily safeguarding the interests of your constituents. Is this just another reason to rush the proposed plan to the state for approval a year before the due date and hopefully before residents are aware of their pending betrayal?

Well, thanks to a flurry of publicity in the local newspapers and heightened awareness by most of Venice's homeowners associations in

the past few weeks, the scandalous plan is finally attracting the public's deserved attention. This gives you plenty of time to delay the plan submission to the state and refocus your attention on restoring the comprehensive plan to primarily" incorporate comprehensive safeguards for homeowners and neighborhoods" instead of developers ..... maybe even before the November election.

Respectfully,

Stephen Wallace  
Pinebrook South  
Venice

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 6:15 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum; Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan Concern

From: "Clara Bosonetto" <[cbosonetto@yahoo.com](mailto:cbosonetto@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 6:09 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Concern  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

To the Venice Planning Commission and the Venice City Council,

I am sure that much work and many hours have gone into the proposed Comprehensive Plan, but the need to rush the plan through during the summer of 2017 -- and with so much opposition -- is greedy and thoughtless to Venice residents.

If the proposed Comprehensive Plan is so favorable for the city of Venice, why not take the time during the remainder of the year to convince residents of this in public messages, social media and town hall gatherings why these changes are needed and/or necessary. If a passage can be postponed to later in 2017 this would show consideration for resident concerns and build trust in their local government representation.

On an initial reading of the proposed plan, it appears to only favor excessive growth plans without concern for the environment, schools, and the overall town character.

Moving the most restrictive plan components to a separate plan, as our mayor has been quoted as saying, only leaves room for developer loop holes until that plan has been written and passes.

I am opposed to the proposed plan on many levels and wish the Planning Commission reconsider an approval for a future date when more of its permanent and snowbird residents can research and voice their concerns and/or approvals.

Thank you,  
**Clara Bosonetto**  
**210 Park Blvd N., Venice 34285**

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 7:37 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan

From: "[jtlmom@yahoo.com](mailto:jtlmom@yahoo.com)" <[jtlmom@yahoo.com](mailto:jtlmom@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 6:52 PM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

To Mayor Holik and City Council members,

I am writing to express my concern about the proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan for Venice,  
I have been coming to Venice for 20 years and have been a permanent resident for the past four years. When I was deciding where to relocate from New Jersey, I could have chosen South Carolina, Georgia or many of the towns in Florida but chose Venice because of the quaint, small town and friendly ambiance. It has been a very wise decision.

The proposed changes to the Venice Comprehensive Plan have me very worried. I feel the changes would have a very negative impact on our community and are not in the best interest of the future of Venice. The plans update are not due until July 2018 so I question the reasoning behind this apparent push to have it approved this summer.

I am writing to ask you to slow down this process, do more research and most importantly listen to the residents of Venice. Wait for our winter residents to return so that they may have input into these changes.

Please look at the future of our beloved town.

Respectfully submitted  
Joan Lynch  
1281 Lakeside Woods Dr

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 8:55 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum; Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer  
**Subject:** Fwd: Meeting tomorrow.

From: "Mary Murray" <[goforthegustomary@gmail.com](mailto:goforthegustomary@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 7:54 PM -0400  
Subject: Meeting tomorrow.  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I understand there is a meeting this Monday to discuss planning for the city of Venice. I live in South Venice and I love the area as it is.

I do not want the pro developer proposals to go forward.

This needs to be well thought out with traffic patterns, schools, hospitals, etc.

Sincerely,

Mary Murray

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 8:56 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum; Planning Commission; Lori Stelzer  
**Subject:** Fwd: Venice Comprehensive Plan

From: "barbara snyder" <[snydb515@gmail.com](mailto:snydb515@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Jun 11, 2017 at 8:53 PM -0400  
Subject: Venice Comprehensive Plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

The current revision of the Comprehensive Plan is detrimental to our way of life in Venice. The stripping of protections from our communities without residential input is disgraceful. The slip through quick passage you are currently attempting is outrageous. This Plan needs to be delayed till you have a full council vote. The Plan needs to be revised to represent the wishes of the residents, not the current one sided developer version you are attempting to slip through.

My husband and I move here after nineteen years in Orlando to enjoy a better quality of life. We witnessed first hand what happens to a community where you do not have safeguards to protect the road systems, control density of buildout, protect our precious nature areas and over burdon the school system.

I implore you to postpone a vote on the current revision of the Comprehensive Plan to allow proper vetting of the issues and allowing all Council members an opportunity to vote.

Barbara Snyder  
522 Sawgrass Bridge Road  
Venice Fl 34292

941 545 3658

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:54 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: changes to the comprehensive plan

*From: Susan Kennedy [mailto:susken@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 9:00 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: changes to the comprehensive plan*

*To the council,*

*I am writing to express my dismay at the proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan. One wonders why the urgency in pushing the new plan through, especially since two of the council members cannot be present, and, many of the part time residents who vote, have left for the summer and are therefore unaware of the move afoot, and unable to be here to express an opinion.*

*It is my understanding that nothing need be done before June of 2018, and the only mandate is that a minimal number of changes be made to correct inconsistencies with the state statute changes. Not the wholesale gutting of protections and requirements that are now in place.*

*Should you succeed in slipping this new plan through under the radar, I foresee a huge loss in the quality of life that the citizens of Venice now enjoy. Our roads will become impassable, ( far worse than the height of season now). Imagine the difficulty emergency vehicles will have getting to situations that will require their presence. We will lose valuable open spaces and the trees and bushes that help keep our air breathable, habitat for our wonderful wildlife will become nonexistent, the density of homes will change the look and feel of our lovely city, schools will fill to capacity, endangering the high standard of education that exists today, and finally, the city may become so overpopulated that it will be unable to meet the needs of its residents, let alone the tourists who provide so much income. People will show their displeasure of all the inconveniences of overcrowded roads, restaurants, beaches, lack of parking, reduction of services by choosing to spend their time and money in a more consumer friendly environment.*

*In addition, uncontrolled growth will tax our public services; police, fire, emergency, water, trash (where to put all the household trash collected), and put a strain on city revenue. Which translates to higher taxes for fewer services.*

*My husband and I chose this area 14 years ago instead of the east coast because there was a controlled, carefully thought out, growth program in place that allowed growth, but at a pace that could be integrated into all the services needed by and increased population. Your proposed changes negate that entire philosophy. Growth for the sake of growth is detrimental to our quality of life. Please consider carefully before rushing headlong into making the disastrous changes proposed in this plan that will benefit only one very minor segment of our population-deep pocketed developers.*

*Thank you for taking the time to read through my objections.*

Susan N. Kennedy  
337 Otter Creek Drive  
Venice

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 11, 2017 9:01 PM  
**To:** Jeff Shrum  
**Cc:** Planning Commission; Edward Lavallee; Robert Daniels  
**Subject:** Comp Plan Meetings

Jeff, please provide the following :

....Date when community comp plan meetings started?\_\_\_\_\_..

.....Number of community meetings held?\_\_\_\_\_

.....Number of citizens attended ? \_\_\_\_\_

.....length of time that the city has worked on our plan?\_\_\_\_\_

Thanks, Bob

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:57 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Proposed changes to the City of Venice

*From: Nancy [mailto:nancychaloupka@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 10:37 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Cc: fabbruzzino@yahoo.com  
Subject: Proposed changes to the City of Venice*

*Please be advised we as citizens & taxpayers of the City of Venice do not want the City officials to decide to go ahead with any of these proposals. Who is it benefitting? Certainly not the residences who pay your salaries!!! We certainly hope these builders & contractors haven't influenced you in ANY way!!! We purchased here because of the dynamics of the City with low crime rate, safe, secure & just a wonderful place to reside. With these proposals, life as we know it would change drastically for the worse!!!*

*A vote was never put in front of the people & we should have a say in our town's revisions!!!*

*Dan & Nancy Chaloupka*

*Sent from my iPhone*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:57 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Stop Comprehensive Plan Updates

*From: Candice Knight [mailto:candiceyknight@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 10:58 PM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Cc: fabbruzzino@yahoo.com  
Subject: Stop Comprehensive Plan Updates*

*To the Venice City Council:*

*Regarding the comprehensive plan updates, as a full time, voting, tax paying resident of Venice FL, I urge you to delay them and reconsider because they do not provide benefits to the residents and citizens of Venice.*

*I would remind you that you were elected by residents just as myself, the people of Venice, to protect and defend our interests and properties.*

*Clearly, these updates do not do either of those rather they are in the interest of the developers, not at all for the citizens of Venice.*

*I am deeply concerned and angered that this effort has been done in such a sneaky and covert fashion.*

*Again, I implore you to delay the Comprehensive Plan Updates until further studies have been done and changes have been made to them that provide protection and benefit to the residents of Venice.*

*Sincerely,*

*Candice Y Knight*

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**From:** Robert Daniels  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:28 AM  
**To:** Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum  
**Subject:** Fwd: Comprehensive Plan

From: "Dennis Quigley" <[dsquig@hotmail.com](mailto:dsquig@hotmail.com)>  
Date: Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 9:10 AM -0400  
Subject: Comprehensive Plan  
To: "City Council" <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>

I am against altering the plan to limit regulations on developers. I live in Sawgrass and my wife will be in attendance today to voice her concerns about the new plan.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:57 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: The Proposed Comprehensive Plan

*From: Olen Thomas [mailto:olenthomas@aol.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:03 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: The Proposed Comprehensive Plan*

*Honorable Mayor and Council Members:*

*My wife and I are recent full-time residents of Venice. I have been reading and studying all of the information available concerning the proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan and its relationship to the Land Development Regulations.*

*I am very concerned about most of the changes contained in the new plan. I am also concerned about the process to remove key restrictions from the plan before they are included in the Land Development Regulations. A flawed process that will leave us with no governance over the development community.*

*My reading of all the analysis surrounding the proposed Comprehensive Plan indicates to me that the very character and personality of Venice will be clearly impacted by the changes - and not in a good way. We recently retired to Venice because of the existing character of the community and its residents. We have no desire to see it become a bustling, over crowded metropolis transformed by developers in there quest to make more money.*

*I am also surprised that Council would have this issue on the agenda for discussion on June 12 when several members will not be present and when so many of our residents are away for the summer.*

*Based on all the concern I have seen expressed, and based on my personal view, I request that you postpone this discussion and action until the issue can be further vetted with the community.*

*Thank you for your consideration.*

*Respectfully,*

*W. Olen Thomas*

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**JoAnne Crawn-Brewer**

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:58 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Comprehensive Plan Update

**From:** James Perry [<mailto:jperry64@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 12:23 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Comprehensive Plan Update

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Dear Council Members,

As Venice residents, we feel that the most serious issue facing our community is the increasing development with the attendant loss of open space, crowding and congestion.

Let us make clear that we are unalterably opposed to any changes which will allow increased density and more development.

Reluctantly, we feel so strongly on this critical issue that we must be considered single issue voters.

**We urge each of you NOT to allow weakening of density, open space and natural area protections. We are closely following this issue and will vote accordingly.**

Jim and Fabienne Perry      577 Misty Pine Dr. Venice, FL 34292

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 9:59 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Do not allow developers to have free rein!

*From: Rosemary Grim [mailto:rosemarygrim@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 8:23 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Do not allow developers to have free rein!*

*Please do not strip away community protections from the Comprehensive Plan. We should be in charge of our city, not developers, whose sole objective is making money.*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 10:00 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Vote NO on proposed Charter

*From: Ron Wencil [mailto:rkwenc@comcast.net]  
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 8:40 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Cc: Ron Wencil <rkwenc@comcast.net>  
Subject: Vote NO on proposed Charter*

*Vote NO on the proposed Charter revision. Take the time to do it correct. No rushing it. The existing does not prevent over growth, proposed will no maintain slow growth. Venice does not need to grow out within 10 years, save some new growth for future generations many years out.*

*Thanks for your service*

*Ron Wencil*

*Sent from my iPhone*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 10:35 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Venice Comprehensive Plan

*From: Diane Toth [mailto:dianet58@comcast.net]  
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 10:09 AM  
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>  
Subject: Venice Comprehensive Plan*

*Regarding your planned meeting today seeking public input on Venice's future development, while I'm unable to attend I would like to express my opposition to any attempts to eliminate or weaken restrictions on new development in Venice.*

*Venice is NOT Naples. We don't have the infrastructure to support high density housing. If the council believes the majority of new tenants will use mass transit, I think you're being delusional. I'm also concerned about future water supplies and loss of natural habitats.*

*Consideration of these issues should be primary when making any changes to Venice Comprehensive Plan.*

*Diane Toth  
598 Mossy Creek Dr.  
Venice*

*Sent from my iPad*

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**From:** Lori Stelzer  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 10:44 AM  
**To:** JoAnne Crawn-Brewer  
**Subject:** FW: Comprehensive Plan

**From:** Richard Clapp [<mailto:richclapp@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 10:36 AM  
**To:** City Council <[CityCouncil@Venicegov.com](mailto:CityCouncil@Venicegov.com)>  
**Subject:** Comprehensive Plan

My wife and I are residents of Venice, voters and homeowners. We live in Sawgrass.

Among the reasons we chose to locate in Venice were the charm, beauty and small town feel of the community.

We understand that some well controlled and managed growth is probably desirable but unrestrained development will be an utter disaster for this wonderful community. Allowing developers and land speculators to line their pockets at the expense of our standard of living should be avoided at all costs.

Moreover, unrestrained development devalues existing home values, destroys the character of communities and ruins the beauty of small towns like Venice.

We urge the members of the Council to oppose the planned changes to the Comprehensive plan and especially to avoid slipping the measure through when many, if not most residents are preoccupied and perhaps absent.

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