From: Sent: To: Subject: Lori Stelzer Monday, June 12, 2017 2:36 PM JoAnne Crawn-Brewer FW: Comprehensive Plan

From: Sonja Clapp [mailto:sonjaclapp@icloud.com] Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:28 PM To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com> Subject: Comprehensive Plan

The Venice City Council has the responsibility to its citizens to uphold the current standards of excellence that makes Venice a beautiful community to visit and to live in. By allowing developers to make decisions for the community is irresponsible. I would ask the council to fulfill their mission statement and set standards for the developers that in accordance with responsible development.

Sonja Clapp Voter and resident of Sawgrass. Sent from my iPad

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Sent:	Monday, June 12, 2017 2:37 PM
То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

From: Joyce Lyons [mailto:joyce2104@verizon.net] Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:34 PM To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>> Subject: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

Dear Mayor Holic & City Council,

We strongly oppose this proposed comprehensive plan that favors out-of-town developers and not the citizens of our beloved Venice.

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.

Please consider the wishes of your neighbors and NOT OUT-OF-TOWN DEVELOPERS who really don't care about how they leave our community.

Dr. Will & Joyce Lyons

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From:	Lori Stelzer
Sent:	Monday, June 12, 2017 2:38 PM
То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update

From: Dawn Finnerty [mailto:dawnfinnerty@verizon.net]
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:42 PM
To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>
Subject: Venice Comprehensive Plan Update

City Council Members,

Keep Venice charming for its citizens and visitors. Keep environmental protections that are in the current comprehensive plan for the wildlife who are already besieged by the current new building development. The best way to keep Venice great is to delay and fix the extremely bad comprehensive plan update. Do what's best for the citizens of Venice and not what's in the best interest of developers. Since the plan update is not due until June 2018, take the time needed to fix the minor adjustments to the current comprehensive plan to comply with the state requirements and leave the restrictions on development intact. I'm counting on you all to do the right thing.

Thank you.

Dawn Finnerty Venice resident

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Sent:	Monday, June 12, 2017 2:38 PM
То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: Comprehensiveness Plan

From: Gus Elias [mailto:agelias2@gmail.com] Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:48 PM To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>> Subject: Comprehensiveness Plan

Hello to all my reps of the City of Venice, a nice place to live. I have resided in Venice since 1978.;

Many changes have occurred; some good, some bad but I preferred the earlier years including "Growth Control".

The subject, current 10 yr. plan does not require statute update until 6/1/2018.

Why make changes more often tan required: you have not adhered to our present plan.

The scheduling dates on all major items has been manipulated during months that many of our citizens are not in residence.

Do not take any action on the new plan until absolutely required.

Do not take away the rights the citizens are included in the present plan.

Sincerely,

Gus Elias.

PS: There is plenty on the plate: two bond issues; a new fire station, a new police station and possible consolidation of

fire dept .with the county.

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From: <u>laura.gardner13@gmail.com</u> [<u>mailto:laura.gardner13@gmail.com</u>] Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:48 PM To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>> Subject: 1:00 meeting June 12

Dear City Council Members,

I am sending this because I cannot be at the meeting. I do not want our communities' protections from over building and burdening our roads and school system stripped out of our current plan.

The Council needs to delay the passage of this until the full council is present and until more residents can be heard. Many residents are away during the summer months.

This certainly looks like a scheme to push something through without full support. The amount of building that is taking place is already burdening our city's infrastructure.

Do not let developers come in an destroy our quaint little town-or what's left of it.

Sincerely, Laura Gardner 333 the Esplanade N #603 Venice, FL 34285

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То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: Comprehensive Plan Update

From: Hank von der Linden [mailto:hvonder@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:54 PM
To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Update

Dear Council Members,

I am deeply disturbed by the proposed changes in the Comprehensive Plan. I moved to Venice because it was a stable, well run city in an ideal place. This update will change everything forever. The proposed changes benefit the developers and leave the citizens to suffer the consequences.

It also seems that you are trying to sneak this by "in the middle of the night" when no one is aware of what is happening. Why the rush? You have until June 2018 and there is plenty of time to get everyone involved so that the end result is acceptable to all. It gives the appearance that you are aware that you are doing wrong, but you benefit is some other way.

Please put this vote off so that these changes can be reconsidered with public input and develop a plan that will be acceptable to all.

Respectfully, Henry von der Linden 740 Sawgrass Bridge Road

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Subject:	FW: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

From: Nancy and Jim Martin [mailto:nm.jm@sbcglobal.net] Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 1:50 PM To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com> Subject: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

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I appreciate your time and commitment to the city.

Sincerely, Nancy Martin Venice resident RECEIVED JUN 1 2 2017

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Heather Taylor Tuesday, June 13, 2017 8:30 AM JoAnne Crawn-Brewer FW: Meeting

From: Karen Scott [mailto:scottfairfax@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 6:44 PM
To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>
Subject: Meeting

I think I speak for most of the residents of Venice when I say ENOUGH WITH THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS. How about holding these meetings when people are around instead of trying to fly under the radar in the summer months. RECEIVED

Karen and Lee Scott

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Heather Taylor
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 8:39
JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
FW: City development

From: Susan Champion <<u>susanchampion2@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 10:04:20 PM To: City Council Subject: City development

Dear city council members,

Please do not accept the current city development plan. We need growth to be allowed but at a slow controlled speed that includes significant park and open land included and that there is a way that the growth is paid for by those people that are profiting from the development RECEVED

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Thank you Susan champion

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From:	Robert Daniels
Sent:	Monday, June 12, 2017 10:34 PM
То:	Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum
Subject:	Fwd: Comments on Today's Council Meeting

From: "John Cherry" <john.m.cherry@gmail.com> Date: Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 10:30 PM -0400 Subject: Comments on Today's Council Meeting To: "City Council" <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>, "John Holic" <<u>JHolic@Venicegov.com</u>>

Mayor Holic and City Council Members:

I attended my first City Council Meeting today to better understand the proposed changes to the draft of our city's Comprehensive Plan, and its implication on the future of development in Venice. I appreciate the opportunity to provide my thoughts on those proceedings.

I have been a Venice full time resident for only two years; however, my family has maintained a home here (in the Waterford subdivision) for almost 24 years. (My overseas service in the military and intelligence community precluded my full time residency.) I am a licensed civil engineer, simply meaning that I understand the details of the subject Comprehensive Plan and the Land Development Regulation (LDR). I applaud the effort that has gone into updating the Comprehensive Plan by your planning staff; I am sure the intent of all their hard work is for the good of this city. And yes, many development restrictions can easily transition from this Plan into the LDR. But will they, in a timely manner? So let me say that I concur with the majority of attorney Dan Lobeck's statements today, and ask you to consider them as concerns of many of Venice's residents. The language of the draft plan appears to weaken enactment of desired environmental mandates and other concerns. Since it is unlikely an update to the LDR will occur concurrently with this Comprehensive Plan, I suggest you conclude these public forums (today, June 23, ?) with a specific list of requirements to translate into the LDR, whenever that happens.

So, in my opinion, the crowd at City Hall today did not really come there to discuss or hear about the specifics of the draft Comprehensive Plan. Probably many have not reviewed it in detail. But why they came is to show the concern of the community about the perception that developers get whatever they want in building more and more homes and apartments in Venice. I absolutely agree with you, Mayor Holic, that much of this increased density of homes (and traffic to the island/beaches) is coming from outside of the city limits of Venice. Just wait until the Braves build their new training facility in North Port. But, for example, look at what is happening in Venice. Fox Lea Farms dispute over new homes adjacent to them. Milano/Neal's new development. In every litigation seeking increased density of homes, the builder appears to persevere.

The residents of Venice know this is a great place to live. We understand that it will continue to attract new residents. But we are losing the small town appeal. It is not enjoyable to drive onto the island during the season. Are we destined to become another Siesta Key? We seriously need your help in limiting future development/increased housing density. The Comprehensive Plan was simply a reason for area residents to focus on this bigger issue. They (and I) were there in force today to ask you to implement the right strategies that will limit future development.

Thank you for a forum to voice concerned opinions. And I enjoyed each council member's personal comments/question(s) today, knowing that they each represent what they believe is right.

John Cherry 1663 Valley Drive, Venice 34292

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From:	Heather Taylor
Sent:	Tuesday, June 13, 2017 11:32 AM
То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: comprehensive plan updates

From: teri hendy [mailto:teri@sitemastersinc.com] Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 10:57 AM To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com> Subject: comprehensive plan updates

To the members of city council, We purchased a home in Venice last year after many years of exploring different communities up and down the Gulf coast. We selected Venice because of the small town charm, it was not "over built" and the fact that in high season traffic was not impossible as in other communities. As we explored communities we also looked at the amount of green space and easy access to the beaches. My husband and i have spent 30 years in the park and recreation community so outdoor opportunities are important to us. I would hate to see my new community negatively impacted by the loss of natural areas and increased density of housing. Once the land is lost there is no getting it back. I feel that you are rushing to make these changes without the input of the public knowing that in the summer months many property owners are traveling or living elsewhere. I fully understand the need to have planned growth in order for community can weigh in on the changes. We are in the process of selling our home in Ohio and Venice will be our permanent residence. We love the community and the people and intend to be actively engaged in the community. Best regards,

Teri Hendy 472 Arborview Lane Venice, FL 34292

Teri Hendy, CPSI President Site Masters Inc. 49 Saint Andrews Drive North Bend, Ohio 45052 513-460-5916 teri@sitemastersinc.com

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Robert Daniels Tuesday, June 13, 2017 3:45 PM Planning Commission; Jeff Shrum Fwd: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

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From: "Nancy Martin" <<u>nm.jm@sbcglobal.net</u>> Date: Tue, Jun 13, 2017 at 3:05 PM -0400 Subject: Re: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan To: "John Holic" <<u>JHolic@Venicegov.com</u>> Cc: "City Council" <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>

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Sincerely, Nancy Martin

Sent from my iPhone

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Dear Ms. Martin,

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

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

p.s. please let Jim know his comments at the meeting were appreciated today.

From:	Heather Taylor
Sent:	Wednesday, June 14, 2017 7:40 AM
То:	JoAnne Crawn-Brewer
Subject:	FW: Comprehensive Plan

From: riarich@comcast.net [mailto:riarich@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 4:15 PM
To: City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>
Subject: Comprehensive Plan

Building in Venice already is moving ahead at a very high speed. Infrastructure is not keeping up with changes. Traffic gets worse every year. Venice may soon look like the east coast of Florida.

Why do we now want to weaken the controls in the current plan and permit even more out of control development? Please back off these changes.

Maria and Rich Smith 597 Mossy Creek Drive

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From:Robert DanielsSent:Tuesday, June 13, 2017 8:49 PMTo:Planning Commission; Jeff ShrumSubject:Fwd: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan

From: "John Holic" <<u>JHolic@Venicegov.com</u>> Date: Tue, Jun 13, 2017 at 8:25 PM -0400 Subject: Re: Proposed Venice Comprehensive Plan To: "Nancy Martin" <<u>nm.jm@sbcglobal.net</u>> Cc: "City Council" <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>, "David Persson" <<u>dpersson@swflgovlaw.com</u>>

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From:	Robert Daniels
Sent:	Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:34 PM
То:	Planning Commission
Subject:	Fwd: Affordable Housing Discussion

From: "Ed Martin" <<u>insidevenice@gmail.com</u>> Date: Wed, Jun 14, 2017 at 9:10 PM -0400 Subject: Affordable Housing Discussion To: "John Holic" <<u>JHolic@Venicegov.com</u>> Cc: "City Council" <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>, "Edward Lavallee" <<u>ELavallee@Venicegov.com</u>>, "Jeff Shrum" <<u>JShrum@Venicegov.com</u>>

Dear Mayor and Council,

During the busy Council Meeting on the Comp Plan, the subject of affordable housing drew some comment.

I support affordable housing and think the City will benefit from apartments available, not only to the workers on Knights Trail, but for police, firefighters and other public service workers, private and government.

The provision for only a ten year period of guaranteed affordable rents seems ill-advised and I would like to see staff report on the experiences of other cities presented in some detail. I imagine a young policeman, (or any of the other eligible people), taking a job here, beginning to raise a family and then in ten years having to move or possibly be priced out. A 20-25 year service to Venice might well be interrupted.

As was noted, the maximum densities seem excessive. My reading, while by no means expert, has suggested that smaller developments, with diverse income levels, have fewer problems. For that reason many cities, I have read, prefer to set-aside a percentage of units in various housing forms, rental apartments, attached houses, smaller and larger homes and condos- offering a variety of choices in what might be called communities with diverse income levels. Density and other incentives are given to developers in each case, based on numbers served. I believe one city is Santa Clara, California, which, by code, has set asides in all or most new development ranging generally 10 or 15 percent, up to 25 in specific situations.

I hope you and Council will explore various options now in place elsewhere to guide your selections.

Ed Martin

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Christina Rimes

To: Subject: Heather Taylor Comprehensive Plan Updates

From: John Holic
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 3:46 AM
To: Knight <<u>delanceknight@bellsouth.net</u>>; City Council <<u>CityCouncil@Venicegov.com</u>>
Cc: fabbruzzino@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Comprehensive Plan Updates

Dear Mr. Knight, The next Comprehensive Plan meeting is this Friday at 9 a.m. at City Hall. There has been no action taken on the Plan since our last correspondence. Thank you. Sincerely, John Holic Mayor, City of Venice

From: Knight <<u>delanceknight@bellsouth.net</u>> Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 2:34:22 PM To: City Council Cc: <u>fabbruzzino@yahoo.com</u> Subject: FW: Comprehensive Plan Updates

Hello,

Can you please provide a status update to the "Comprehensive Plan Updates" (see below)? I would like to know if they have been approved or if they are going to be re-considered?

Thank you, DeLance Knight

-----Original Message-----From: Delance Knight [<u>mailto:dknight@carlblack.com</u>] Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 4:51 PM To: <u>citycouncil@venicegov.com</u> Cc: <u>fabbruzzino@yahoo.com</u> Subject: 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 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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