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From: Krista <krista@iloveimprint.com>
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To: Planning Commission
Subject: Zoning map amendment 17-13RZ

Dear Planning Commissioners ,

I feel at this point resistance is futile when it comes to developing the properties off of Border Rd., but I feel a need to speak up for what is possibly the last remaining large area of native habitat remaining in Venice .

After witnessing the destruction of land for the Milano currently under construction I would like you to consider asking Neal Communities to dramatically increase the size of the buffer zones surrounding the wetland areas on this property that comes before you today . That would benefit the wildlife that rely of these wetlands for shelter and food. The buffers that were left for the Milano wetlands are pathetic. Increasing these areas would give Mr. Neal and the city a chance to decrease the destruction of quality native habitat and increase retention of existing native trees . From what I understand the City of Venice is designated a "tree city " , so increasing native habitat would be in keeping with that standing.

Please also consider increasing the development setback for this property to minimize negative impacts to the existing OUE neighborhoods on Border Rd. There has been well over a year of construction with the Milano already. With that comes noise pollution from clanking dump trucks bringing in countless loads of fill dirt and generator noise that went on 24/7 for several months. There were complaints from neighbors to the city concerning the generator noise. There were also months of reduced air quality from the large amount of burning that was conducted on site.

This property retains large amounts of water well past the boundaries of the wetlands and I could go on about adding to the already overburdened storm water systems , but I'm sure the developers will argue that.

I just ask you to please consider these issues before what seems like an endless cycle of construction continues off of Border Rd. I know leaving this property zoned OUE is unlikely, but there is still a chance to slightly reduce the negative impact to the current residents of this area , human and wildlife alike. Increasing the retention of native habitat and decreasing housing density would help.

Thank you for your time , Krista Rossmann Use Sent from my iPhone