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Venice, FL

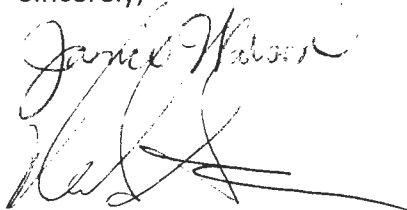
Dear City Council,

We have recently been informed that the Venice Planning Commission voted to approve the Murphy Oaks project - 105 homes on North Auburn and Border Road. The plan is to build those homes on 39.61 acres.

My husband and I want to emphasize that we are vehemently opposed to this project. As residents of Sawgrass, we value the quiet and the natural environment that exists in this Venice area. The overbuilding of Venice is already abundant and we don't need more homes in the North Auburn and Border Road area to add to the population of Venice. This will lead to more vegetation being destroyed, more animals being displaced, and increased traffic on our local streets. This plan is detrimental to not only the people in the Sawgrass area, but to the animals that make this area their home. We acknowledge that due to annexation into the City of Venice the property must be rezoned under city zoning codes, but we are opposed to the rezoning at the density proposed by Murphy Oaks.

Unfortunately, my husband and I are not able to attend the meeting on November 26 regarding this matter because we will be out of state, but we want to make our opinions known. We strongly urge and request that City Council members vote AGAINST approval of the Murphy Oaks rezone proposal.

Sincerely,

The block contains two handwritten signatures. The first signature is in cursive and appears to read 'Janice Wilson'. The second signature is also in cursive and appears to read 'Mark Sojak'. Both signatures are written in black ink.

Janice Wilson and Mark Sojak

From: MP Woj <wiggs75@outlook.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 03, 2018 8:29 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Fwd: Venice Gondolier E-Edition Windham project and Fox Lea Farm mega equestrian center

Apologize forgot to sign.

Mike w

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From: MP Woj <wiggs75@outlook.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 3, 2018 7:24 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: FW: Venice Gondolier E-Edition Windham project and Fox Lea Farm mega equestrian center

Mayor Holic
City Council

In non- snowbird season, I live in a rural farming county in Maryland. Its leaders have put rules in place giving farmers priority over developers. Your actions continue to indicate at least to me that the semi- rural character of Venice is to be changed as fast as possible to urban no matter what the financial implications are to the COV.

I am increasingly concerned that our Planning Commission appears to go out of its way to ensure that developers never get turned down for any larger housing project in the City of Venice. The Windham project is a perfect example of a project that probably should never be built at all and certainly not on the scale that is currently recommended by the Planning Commission. Putting a housing development next to a fully functioning equestrian center is a recipe for disaster. I don't care what paper you get Windham residents to sign saying they understand there will be noise, smell, lights and congestion from the Fox Lea Farms operation. Windham residents will eventually file a lawsuit on everything they signed off on and it will end up in court. Some judge will find in favor of the Windham residents and eventually force Fox Lea Farms to leave the area by limiting what Fox Lea Farms can do on its property.

You are constantly worrying about where revenues are going to come from to care for all the things that are needed in the City of Venice. Are you prepared to see Fox Lea Farms whose participants, spectators and vendors put \$75M+ a year into the local economy leave the City of Venice? Is one more PUD really worth that risk? Do you think that revenue loss will be replaced with a PUD on the existing Fox Lea Farm site? Do you want to lose all the good PR that comes from Fox Lea Farms being located in the COV, having becoming a mega equestrian center? Once you give your approval to Windham, the ball will be set in play for the loss of Fox Lea Farm revenue and the contributions it makes to the COV. Think long and hard about your decision and what I am predicting will happen.

Follow the link below to view the articles.

Fox Lea Farms still not happy with Windham project

<http://venicegondolier.fl.app.newsmemory.com/publink.php?shareid=0613445c7>

Fox Lea Farm a mega equestrian center

<https://www.venicemagazineonline.com/articles/2016/2/12/venices-fox-lea-farm-has-become-an-equestrian-mecca>

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 7:27 AM
To: Suzanne Parrish <shjparr26@gmail.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Parrish,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments in both emails.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Suzanne Parrish <shjparr26@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 7:07:04 AM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Please reject the Murphy Oaks project as it is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and City of Venice.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/2018 Council meeting.

Suzanne Parrish

From: S Hizon <susanhizon@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 6:52 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Density Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Ron and Susan Hizon

From: The Two Euds <kkeudy@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 6:21 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>; K Eudy <kkeudy@yahoo.com>; Suzi S. <suzi@suzischmidt.com>

Subject: Re: Please Reject the Proposed Murphy Oaks Project Development

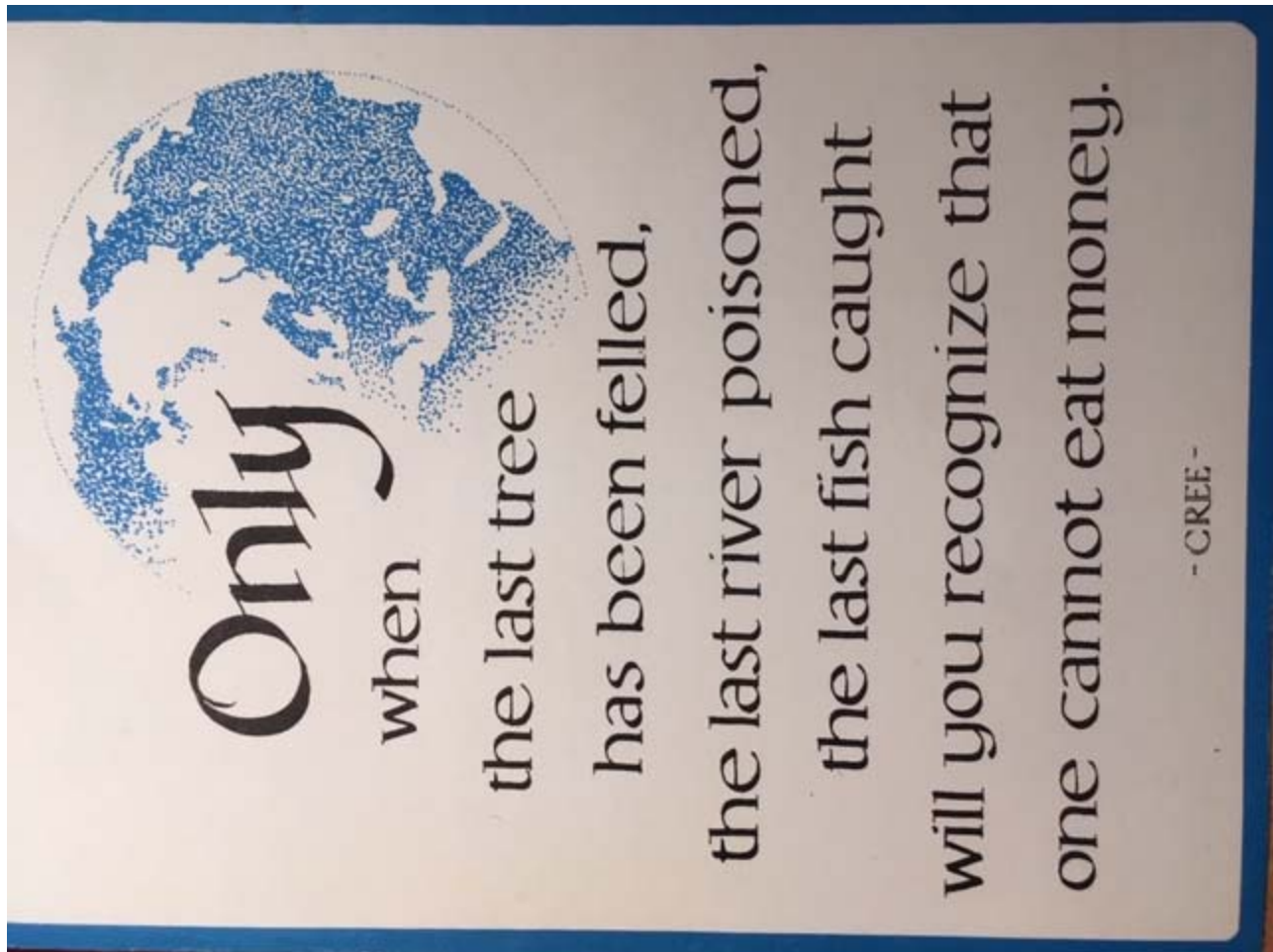
Thank you Mayor,

We are leaving for a vacation today and won't be able to attend Tuesdays meeting, however, our friend will be traveling with us so if you have any further questions about our response, please feel free to contact me.

We will be in a foreign country so communication may be delayed. We hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday season.

Merry Christmas!

Regards,
Kim and Ken Eudy



“He has the right to criticize who has the heart to help” Abraham Lincoln
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SeeClickFix at <http://www.seeclickfix.com/Venice>

Thank You!
The Two Euds
Kim & Ken Eudy

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
To: The Two Euds <kkeudy@yahoo.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; Kelly
Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:31 AM
Subject: Re: Please Reject the Proposed Murphy Oaks Project Development

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Eudy,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: The Two Euds <kkeudy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 8:30 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council; Lori Stelzer; K Eudy
Subject: Please Reject the Proposed Murphy Oaks Project Development

Dear Mayor,

Our good friend who is considering a move to Venice, wrote the following letter pertaining to the proposed *Murphy Oaks Project* development near Fox Lea Farms. I sent information about the PUD to her because we felt she would be concerned coming to a city where a PUD development

affects the tax base, something retired folks on a fixed income are concerned about.

Of course, our concerns are the same as hers; please take this information as part of our rejection to this PUD project. Please include our comments and concerns in the official record for the November 27, 2018 Council Meeting.

Regards,
Kim and Ken Eudy

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: suzi schmidt <suzi.schmidt@comcast.net>
To: Kim Eudy <kkeudy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:24 PM
Subject: Murphy Oaks

Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I have very good friends that live in your community of Venice and I am considering a move to your area. I am very concerned about a rezoning for a new development called Murphy Oaks.

This type of rezoning and development is not foreign to me. I am the former Lake County, Illinois Board Chairman from 2000 -2010. It is my experience that rezoning, especially for a PUD (planned unit development) does not benefit the taxpayers or municipality. I have listed below a few of my concerns and questions after I read the 26 page application for rezoning and PUD.

1. Schools: I did not see any reference to impact fees to the schools. We all know that the taxes that will be generated do not even cover the cost of educating one student per dwelling unit.

2. Storm water: The report states that lakes will be constructed to retain or detain water runoff. Who pays in perpetuity for the management and maintenance of these lakes. Home Owners Assoc., if there is one is not able to maintain these systems.

3. Access: From the submitted plans it appears that there is only one entrance/exit for the entire subdivision. This is certainly a safety issue.

4. Variances: There are numerous variances that are being applied for; a quality development that will benefit your community would follow all ordinances and not apply for changes.

5. Transportation: The Municipality should not be paying for any road improvements that will be required for any development. The developer should be paying for all improvements the Municipality requires.

6. Open Space: The report stated there was a substantial surplus of open space. I have never heard of such a ridiculous statement. If you require lakes to retain or detain water then there is not enough open space.

Finally, Development never pays its own way, especially residential with no commercial included. The cost of schools, roads, libraries, fire protection, storm water etc. always ends up costing the taxpayers and existing residents.

Please reconsider and reject this application and proposal; there are too many unanswered questions. Please include my comments and concerns in the official record for the November 27, 2018 Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Suzi Schmidt
38532 N Ardmore Lane
Lake Villa, Illinois. 60046

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:44 AM
To: slgreeley@comcast.net
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Fw: Murphy Oaks Project

Dear Ms. Greeley,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: slgreeley@comcast.net <slgreeley@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:02 PM
To: jholic@venicegov.com; citycouncil@venicegov.com; LStelzer@Venicegov.com
Subject: Murphy Oaks Project

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Susan Greeley

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:40 AM

To: Judy G <CHELHOOK@msn.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Gerty,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Judy G <CHELHOOK@msn.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 8:04:16 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Below are comments from a few of the Council members before the election:

MITZIE FIEDLER: *Growth is on everyone's minds, as I've learned by talking to residents and businesses throughout the city. We know growth is inevitable, and much of it is desired and positive. But it needs to be balanced and managed responsibly. With growth comes new challenges for infrastructure, new demands for services and increased pressures on budgets. I will be your watchdog to ensure that all these issues are addressed in a manner that will protect your quality of life and the investments you have made in Venice.*

THE GONDELIER ABOUT HELEN MOORE: *...she is a defender of the environment. Her approach to growth is to push for infill and redevelopment not large-scale communities. What we should be keeping track of is population, not just buildings, she said.*

AT A FORUM HOSTED BY SAWGRASS IN OCT. 2017: *Newsom said he'd oppose The Preserves (now Murphy Oaks Project) in the future, and when queried about his previous vote, he responded that "I have more information now."*

Now that the election is over, we'll see what they, along with the rest of the Council, will do for the people of Venice (WHO YOU ALL REPRESENT), when you vote on Tuesday. Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Judith Gerty

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:39 AM
To: EDWARD BROWN <gbrown0506@comcast.net>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brown,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: EDWARD BROWN <gbrown0506@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 8:50:06 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Geraldine & Edward Brown
Sent from Xfinity Connect App

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:37 AM

To: David Adams <dvadams@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: No to Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. Adams,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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Venice, FL 34285

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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: David Adams <dvadams@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 9:02:01 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: No to Murphy Oaks

I have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City. It also violates a needed balance between our environment and the desire for smart growth.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

David and Michelle Adams

354 Marsh Creek Rd

Venice.

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:28 AM
To: Joanne Pascucci <wentothebeach@gmail.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Ms. Pascucci,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Joanne Pascucci <wentothebeach@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 2:19 AM
To: John Holic
Subject: Murphy Oaks

I object vehemently to the Murphy Oaks parcel change of zoning to allow 105 homes! This is a disgrace! What Venice does NOT need is more development! I sure hope the City Council has the good sense to strike this proposal down !
Joanne Pascucci

Sent from my iphone

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:42 PM

To: Joe Furloni <jfurloni57@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Furloni,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Joe Furloni <jfurloni57@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:37:10 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Prior to the City Council meeting on Tuesday Nov 27, 2018, I wanted to express my concern for the Murphy Oaks Project. As a resident of the Sawgrass Community, I am deeply concerned with various issues with this project. First, I'm concerned about the effect on Fox Lea Farms, one of the top revenue producing venues in Venice and Sarasota County. Why would we jeopardize this venue for the sake of new homes that are being shoehorned into a small parcel of land that the supporting infrastructure is ill equipped to handle? Second, I'm concerned about the increased traffic pattern on Auburn and Edmondson Roads. These road are ill prepared for the increase traffic as a result of this project. Third, I'm concerned about the increased noise level from the increased traffic on Auburn Road. My house is closest to Auburn road and the increased traffic will add to to the already high noise level at certain times of the day. Lastly, I'm concerned about security. Sawgrass has no fencing/wall along Auburn Road from the south entrance to Sawgrass to the intersection of Auburn and Edmondson Rd. There have been issues with people walking onto the golf course to roaming through the neighborhood. Increased footprint in the proposed project area will increased security concerns. Lastly, I'm concerned about the number of homes projected for the size of the development. This means houses shoehorned into small spaces that does not conform to the surrounding developments of Sawgrass and Waterford. Sawgrass community has approximately 30-40 homes in the same size area as the projected Murphy Oaks. Not 105!.

I strongly request that you and the City Council reject this proposal and take care of the interest of those of us that live in Venice.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the Nov. 27, 2018 Council Meeting

Respectfully,

Joe F Furloni

Col (Ret)
410 Arborview Ln
Venice Fl 34292

From: John Holic
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:24 PM
To: Barb Fink; citycouncil@venicegove.com; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Fink,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
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From: Barb Fink <barbaraefink@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 4:22:03 PM
To: John Holic; citycouncil@venicegove.com; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Barbara Fink

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:38 PM

To: zinger100@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ziringer,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: zinger100@aol.com <zinger100@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:45:11 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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***Respectfully,
Robert Ziringer
Donna Ziringer***

From: John Holic
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:36 PM
To: Edward Peel
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Peel,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Edward Peel <cwpeel@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:00:41 PM
To: John Holic
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Edward Peel

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:36 PM

To: Gregory Prill <gregprill@outlook.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Cc: mer112693@aol.com; Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Prill,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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Venice, FL 34285

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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Gregory Prill <gregprill@outlook.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:13:42 PM

To: City Council; Lori Stelzer; John Holic

Cc: mer112693@aol.com

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear sir or madam:

We've been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the owners of the Murphy Oaks project has proposed modifying the existing 5 acres/home zoning to allow for a ludicrous 2.65 homes/acre, or about 105 homes on a tiny lot abutting the interstate.

Having investigated the company that owns the land and the project, a few things jump out at me:

1) This is a common operating procedure for this company; i.e., buy land on the cheap, knowing full well that existing zoning only allows for limited development, then cry undue hardship and threaten litigation until the plat is re-zoned to meet their needs.

2) The owners of the land and project knew about Venice's existing land use & zoning policies when the last sale occurred, knew of the changes to the comprehensive plan that were then being debated by the Council, and that were then adopted by City of Venice just a (very) short time ago. Any claims that they were surprised about what they could build under prior and currently existing rules are demonstrably false.

3) The owners of the land and project are sophisticated land developers, with a long history of project development. They knew that the (then) existing comprehensive plan, land use & zoning codes would not allow for this type of development, nor would the proposed (now adopted) comprehensive plan. In other words, they do not come to this process with clean hands as innocent, unsophisticated, or naive land owners, taken unawares by a capricious municipal entity. As such **they are not entitled to relief under Chapter 70 of the Florida Code, nor under any other statute, regulation, or other cause of action for equitable relief.**

4) City of Venice spent a small fortune analyzing, formulating, and debating the current comprehensive plan, which was not adopted lightly or without careful consideration. By asking for a major revision of the code via a variance, the land and project owners call into question the very foundations of the

comprehensive plan that was designed to manage and guide sustainable growth in our greater Venice community.

5) In fact, the variance that the land and project owner seek obliterates the carefully designed and considered comprehensive plan City of Venice adopted just a short time ago. The variance sought isn't a minor adjustment of long-standing land use rules (which, again, existed prior to the last sale, but also were codified in the recently adopted comprehensive plan), it represents a wholesale gutting of the carefully considered judgement of our municipal government, in favor of a well funded and sophisticated land developer.

6) Looking to the established history of the land and project owner (see above), Venice should not reward what is in effect a bad-faith attempt by this sophisticated business entity to gut our City's recently adopted and carefully considered comprehensive plan.

7) Granting a variance to this well-funded, sophisticated land development company would be nothing short of a capricious exercise of municipal power, inconsistent with the previously adopted comprehensive plan. A plan, I reiterate, that was adopted only after a long, well publicized, vigorously debated process. If this variance is granted, one wonders what was the purpose of spending so much money, time, and effort to develop a comprehensive plan to guide our future sustainable growth?

8) In short: "if this project/variance/land use/zoning change is allowed, what won't Venice be bullied into accepting in the future?"

The proposed project is out of proportion for the given plat, and out of character for the surrounding neighborhoods. It is nothing less than a grievous blow to the well thought out comprehensive plan only recently adopted, and that was designed to be implemented in its entirety, not in carelessly selected chunks. Don't allow this well-funded, sophisticated land developer to bully our wonderful city into committing an ill-considered act of folly.

They knew exactly what they were buying when they negotiated the land sale contract and now demand that the council capriciously modify our recently adopted comprehensive plan so that they can build what they knew could not be built under either prior or current zoning or land use codes. Again, one needs only look to prior projects they've developed in this state (and in other states) to discover that **this is how they operate: bully, cajole, and threaten until they get what they aren't entitled to receive.** They are not entitled to this change, either in law or in equity, and the council should deny the requested change for all of the reasons previously stated.

Please include this email in the official record of correspondence for the November 27, 2018, council meeting, and any subsequent meeting wherein this topic is addressed by the council or any other department, committee, or other entity operating on behalf of City of Venice.

With kindest regards,

Greg Prill

737 Misty Pine Dr.

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:33 PM

To: Glenda Tibaldi <gbondtibaldi@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Bond-Tibaldi,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Glenda Tibaldi <gbondtibaldi@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:11:46 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Glenda Bond-Tibaldi

433 ArborView Lane, Venice

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:32 PM

To: George Kennedy <gskennedy@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy,

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

Sincerely, John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: George Kennedy <gskennedy@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:12:14 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We understand that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

***George & Sue Kennedy
365 Turtleback Xing
Venice, FL 34292***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:28 PM
To: normg187@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Cc: Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Guy,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: normg187@aol.com <normg187@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:02 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Murphy Oaks

My wife and I are totally against Murphy Oaks. We will work to defeat all present board members if it passes. A limit has to be set on builders. What is next the wet lands and then state parks???

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:27 PM

To: Salvatore Vendemia <sbvend@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning change

Dear Ms. Vendemia,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Salvatore Vendemia <sbvend@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:01:58 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning change

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Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Barbara Vendemia

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:26 PM

To: Nancy Simmonds <nancyg3422@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Simmonds,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Nancy Simmonds <nancyg3422@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 4:53:13 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City. Please reconsider the character of Venice so we do not turn into another Naples, congested with out of control traffic.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Nancy Simmonds

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:24 PM

To: Jennifer Sites <jensites0@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Sites,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Jennifer Sites <jensites0@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 4:13:47 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

We are counting on the Council to represent the people of Venice and the wishes of the citizen majority. It has been so terribly disappointing and frustrating to see the building projects continue to grow and expand, despite the continued outcry from the citizens/voters of Venice.

Respectfully,

Vincent and Jennifer Sites

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:22 PM
To: Hank von der Linden <hvonder@msn.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. von der Linden,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Hank von der Linden <hvonder@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 3:14:21 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mayor Holic

I was extremely disappointed that the Venice Planning Board passed this proposal and it is now up for a vote before the Council. Planning board members praised the developer for being flexible and making all the concessions that local residents wanted. As a resident of Sawgrass I can tell you that the main problem with Murphy Oaks is the density. The developer reduced the number of homes from 115 to 105. To fit the density of the area, the developer should reduce the project to about 60 homes.

It is about time that the Planning Board and the City Council stand up for the citizens of Venice and not the developers. If this passes, the developer will sell this off and walk away with big bucks never to be seen again! We the citizens of Venice will then be left with a project that does not fit the area, waters down the quality of the area, and depresses local real estate values. Do the right thing, stand up for the citizens that elected you, reject this project until the developer makes a real sacrifice, and drastically reduces the density to fit the surrounding communities.

Sincerely,
Henry von der Linden
740 Sawgrass Bridge Road
941-882-8970

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:20 PM

To: Lynn von der Linden <lvonder16@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Council meeting re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Ms. von der Linden,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Lynn von der Linden <lvonder16@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 3:03:24 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Council meeting re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mayor Holic, City Council Members and City Clerk Stelzer,

I have been advised by the Venice Tax Watch, that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home, (providing for 8 homes), to a density of 2.65 homes per acre, (providing for 105 homes).

I strongly reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and City. **Please reject the proposed zoning change.**

Until City Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must NOT ALLOW excessive development such as the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this letter in the official record of correspondence for the November 27, 2018, City Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Lynn P. von der Linden

Venice, Florida

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From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:19 PM
To: Ann Edwards <aedwards@cox.net>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks zoning change

Dear Ms. Edwards,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Ann Edwards <aedwards@cox.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:44:43 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Murphy Oaks zoning change

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Ann Edwards

421 Otter Creek
Venice FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:18 PM

To: Glenn Adams <margandglenn@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Adams,

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

Sincerely, John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Glenn Adams <margandglenn@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:34:58 PM

To: City Council

Subject: : Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

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Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Glenn Adams

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:18 PM

To: Gay Lakin <mrskittery@aol.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Gay Lakin,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Gay Lakin <mrskittery@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:34:00 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Gay Kimball Lakin

733 Sawgrass Bridge Road

Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:17 PM

To: F. Robert Marcario <cycle336@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy "Hoax" Development

Dear Mr. Marcario,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: F. Robert Marcario <cycle336@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:25 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy "Hoax" Development

Mr. Mayor, not all building lots are created equal. I'm specifically referring to the PUD designated as Murphy Oaks, 39 acres, S/E corner of Auburn and Edmondson. This shoehorn-style of development (105 units planned zoning vs 8 units current zoning) is incompatible with the surrounding communities of Waterford, Sawgrass, and Venice Acres. When complete, it simply won't look or function like any of these neighborhoods. Too many units, too much additional traffic congestion, too little land.

Additionally, construction of Murphy Oaks would prove damaging to the continued operation AND future expansion of Fox Lea Farms, located just to the south, regardless the dimensions of retention ponds, set backs, foliage etc . My understanding is that Fox Lea Farms brings millions of dollars to Venice and the surrounding communities. Why would you jeopardize that?

In an effort to mollify concerns about noise, smells, traffic and all things associated with operation of a competitive equestrian facility, and in an effort to ward off future litigation by these new neighbors, we've been informed that potential owners will be presented with documentation warning of said conditions prior to, and as of a condition of, closing contract approval. Is this a guarantee that eliminates the possibility of future litigation brought by Murphy Oaks residents against the City of Venice, Fox Lea Farms, etc.

Mr. Mayor, the development of Murphy Oaks at this location flies in the face of sound judgment and common sense. It's just not a good idea.

Frank Marcario
336 Otter Creek Dr.
Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:15 PM

To: Detlef Fuhrmann <duisburg728@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Fuhrmann,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Detlef Fuhrmann <duisburg728@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:20:32 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

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Respectfully,

Detlef Fuhrmann

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:14 PM

To: Edith Bley-Fuhrmann <ebley728@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Bley-Fuhrmann,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Edith Bley-Fuhrmann <ebley728@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:13:44 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Edith Bley-Fuhrmann <ebley728@gmail.com>

Date: November 25, 2018 at 2:05:56 PM EST

To: ebley728@gmail.com

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Edith Bley-Fuhrmann

Sent from my iPad

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:11 PM

To: JANICE TOPPER <jctadv@outlook.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Topper,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: JANICE TOPPER <jctadv@outlook.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:07:47 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development such as the Murphy Oaks Project.

PLEASE do not allow this to happen. You are destroying Venice. The town will be overrun, overdeveloped and not livable if this kind of development is allowed to continue.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Janice Topper
Venice, Florida 34292
917.682.0590

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:06 PM

To: Barbara Hutton <barbara.hutton@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Hutton,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Barbara Hutton <barbara.hutton@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 2:01:15 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I am writing to officially reject the Murphy Oaks Zoning Change. We have been advised by the Venice Tax Watch that Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change. This change would be from a density of 5 acres per home (8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and City.

You must put a lid on excessive development as in the Murphy Oaks Project. It is my understanding that there is a funding shortfall within the General Fund and this project would just contribute to that shortfall. Enough!!

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting,

Respectfully,

Barbara Hutton

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:02 PM

To: Melinda Short <mlsvenice@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Please reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change!!!!

Dear Ms. Short,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Melinda Short <mlsvenice@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 1:24:26 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Please reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change!!!!

Attention: John Holic and Members of City Council;

My name is Melinda Short and I am a resident of Sawgrass Community in Venice, Florida.

It is my understanding that Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (a difference of 8 homes to 105 homes!!!!)

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the neighborhood as well as the City.

I wish to have this include in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Please reject this proposal.

Respectfully;

Melinda Short

527 Sawgrass Bridge Road

Venice, Florida 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:01 PM

To: Andrew Ryan <ryanadde@mac.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Vote NO on Murphy Oaks - REJECT Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ryan,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Andrew Ryan <ryanadde@mac.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 1:09:51 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Vote NO on Murphy Oaks - REJECT Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We are owners in Sawgrass, and have been advised that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please vote NO and REJECT this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the nearby neighborhoods (e.g., Sawgrass and Waterford) and City, and also the adjacent Fox Lea farm business.

Please include this email in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Andy and Dawn Ryan

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:58 PM

To: Tony Pisani <tonypie47@yahoo.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: The rejection of Murphy Oad

Dear Mr. Pisani

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Tony Pisani <tonypie47@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 12:28:29 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: The rejection of Murphy Oad

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

In addition a personal note:

My family moved to the West Coast of Florida especially Venice because of it's small friendly community feel. We did not want to move to the East Coast of Florida due to traffic and excessive building. It is busy enough when the snow birds come down which is partially good for the economy but limits the locals as far as traffic, eating at our favorite restaurants unless we go really early or really late. We have lived here for 6 years and seen an insane amount of building in the Venice area alone not counting the neighboring towns. Who is going to foot the bills for the highways and roads that need to be widened

due to all this excessive building, not to mention overcrowding in schools. The locals are going to bear this burden. So we beg you to stop the opposed building of Murphy Oaks.

PS. Fox Lea Farms is know internationally and show horses there on a regular basis right next to the proposed site of The building of Murphy Oaks is detrimental not only to residents but to Fox Lea Farm existence.

Respectfully yours,

Anthony Pisani

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:56 PM
To: ths500@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Spence,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely, John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: ths500@aol.com <ths500@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 12:08:22 PM
To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City. High density development is inconsistent within the immediate area and will have negative impacts to existing residences and their quality of life. It's time the needs of the residents are put ahead of the wishes of the developers

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Tom and Cindy Spence
405 Arborview Lane
Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:55 PM

To: Trish Robbins <trishrobbins504@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Robbins,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Trish Robbins <trishrobbins504@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 12:00:48 PM

To: City Council

Subject: Murphy Oaks

Trish and Steve Robbins (Sawgrass) are opposed to Murphy Oaks as it is now planned. 504 Marsh Creek Road.

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:54 PM

To: Bob & Edie Wardell <rpwardell@verizon.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oakes Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Wardell,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Bob & Edie Wardell <rpwardell@verizon.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 11:30:44 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oakes Zoning Change

I have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

In addition, this development will impact Fox Lee Farms and the revenue that this business brings to our community.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

***Robert P. Wardell
493 Marsh Creek Rd.
Venice, FL 34292***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:53 PM

To: tobaquinn@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: tobaquinn@aol.com <tobaquinn@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 11:30:30 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy Oaks

I want to express my opposition to the Murphy Oaks development zoning change which is being considered at this Tuesday's Council Meeting. In fact, I oppose any development that will put the Fox Lea Farm in any kind of jeopardy.

Thank you for your consideration,

Barbara Quinn

Fountain View Circle

City of Venice

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:53 PM
To: W Olen Thomas <olenthomas@aol.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Cc: Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Rezoning

Dear W. Olen Thomas,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: W Olen Thomas <olenthomas@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:53 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Rezoning

I am writing you today to state my **opposition** to the ordinance rezoning the property know as Murphy Oaks. After reading all the attachments in the agenda for your meeting on November 27, 2018, it is clear to me that this proposal is inconsistent with the nature of the surrounding area and will have adverse consequences on the quality of life for residents in the area. I am one for those residents as my neighborhood is less that one mile from the proposed development.

I am also concerned about the impact on Fox Lea Farms. Fox Lea Farms adds a unique equestrian charm to Venice. A wide variety of equine activities are hosted at their facility year round, fostering tourism and generating substantial revenues. I would hate to see this facility relocate due to the adverse impact of this new development. I have heard that Fox Leas is one of the largest taxpayers in Venice and I know their events raise funds for several local charitable organizations. What would be the impact if these funds were to vanish?

I read a recent piece of correspondence that indicated this development was prohibited under the 2017 Comprehensive Plan but that "staff helped the developer find a loophole in the law that allowed the developer to circumvent that requirement". I certainly hope that is not the case nor the role of city employees – aiding developers to the detriment of our citizens.

I respectfully asked that you reject this proposal.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the November 27, 2018 City Council meeting.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

W. Olen Thomas
248 Acerno Drive
Venice, FL

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:49 PM
To: Fred Rothacker <frothacker@aol.com>; L.Stelzer@Venicegov.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mr. Rothacker,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Fred Rothacker <frothacker@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:36:21 AM
To: L.Stelzer@Venicegov.com; City Council
Subject: Fwd: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

From: frothacker@aol.com
To: jholic@venicegov.com; [citycouncil](mailto:citycouncil@venicegov.com)
Sent: 11/25/2018 10:34:16 AM US Eastern Standard Time
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Fred R.. Rothacker
Carole S. Rothacker

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:28 AM

To: thewoodlandsmail@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Vavrek,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: thewoodlandsmail@aol.com <thewoodlandsmail@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 9:31:10 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,
Carol J. Vavrek

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:27 AM

To: Thomas Hurley <hurl300@verizon.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Zoneing

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hurley,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Thomas Hurley <hurl300@verizon.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 9:36:32 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Zoneing

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Respectfully,

Tom & Barbara Hurley

Resident Sawgrass

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:25 AM

To: Richard Clapp <richclapp@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Dick Longo <ralongo46@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. Clapp,

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

Sincerely, John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Richard Clapp <richclapp@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 10:07:15 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Cc: Dick Longo

Subject: Murphy Oaks

I am a resident of Sawgrass and I am writing to express my astonishment and dismay that the issue of Murphy Oaks has made it to the point that the Venice City Council must make a decision on the project. The Murphy Oaks development is an example of all that is bad with the current development taking place in our once beautiful and livable community.

There is a perception amongst many that our city government and our city planners are unable to control powerful developers. Whether true or not this belief is not without some foundation. One look around sees a community in the throes of unbridled development struggling to afford and deal with needed services and infrastructure. Our quality of life is decreasing rapidly and the Murphy Oaks development is emblematic of all the bad that is taking place.

My community, Sawgrass, will be hurt and hurt badly by the Murphy Oaks project. It will obviously cause traffic issues and significant water and drainage issues. The slum like packing of houses into the area will diminish property values and cause not only quality of life issues but also financial issues for Sawgrass.

This issue should have been an easy out for the zoning commission but it proved itself to be a mere rubber stamp for the developer. Please demonstrate leadership and begin to put a stop to the destruction of our community.

Richard A Clapp
Attorney at Law
tel. 218-779-9775
email richclapp@gmail.com

From: DONALD LAKER <djlaker@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 8:23 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>;
LSteizer@venicegov.com

Subject: Fwd: Fwd 7 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

To: jholich@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Julia Laker

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:37 AM

To: Richard Bobby <richbobby17@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bobby,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Richard Bobby <richbobby17@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 6:31:53 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I forgot to include my address if needed.....

Richard and Cheryl Bobby

724 Egret Walk Ln, Venice, FL 34292

On Sat, Nov 24, 2018 at 6:30 PM Richard Bobby <richbobby17@gmail.com> wrote:

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

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Respectfully,

Richard and Cheryl Bobby

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:40 AM
To: Beverly Goodwillie <bgoodwillie@verizon.net>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy oaks

Dear Ms. Goodwille,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Beverly Goodwillie <bgoodwillie@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:01 AM
To: John Holic
Subject: Murphy oaks

Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the Error! Hyperlink reference not valid. Council Meeting.

***Respectfully,
Beverly Goodwille***

Sent from my iPhone

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:36 AM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; Paul Wedge <pwedge99@comcast.net>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Wedge,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Paul Wedge <pwedge99@comcast.net>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 5:35:46 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Sir/Ma'am

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project. You have no "Population Growth Plan". This type of document/analysis is required for any development expansion. To do otherwise will put an EXTREME BURDEN on Venice services (eg. Trash pick up; school system; infrastructure maintenance; water & sewer;

police & fire protection etc. etc.) without informed budgetary guidance & execution - READ: INCREASES IN TAXATION!

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Paul Wedge

647 Pond Willow Lane, Venice

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:30 AM

To: TERRY MANNING <manningterry1@gmail.com>; Wayne Rogers <WCR2566@comcast.net>

Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Unsigned,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: TERRY MANNING <manningterry1@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 5:21:00 PM

To: Wayne Rogers

Cc: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Thank you for letting us know.

On Sat, Nov 24, 2018, 5:10 PM Wayne Rogers <wcr2566@comcast.net> wrote:

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes). Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

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Respectfully,

Wayne C Rogers

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:28 AM

To: Gerry Hallgren <riverview006@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Gerri Hallgren,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Gerry Hallgren <riverview006@comcast.net>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 5:10:09 PM

To: City Council

Subject: Murphy Oaks

Please vote to reject the Murphy Oaks Project. It is inappropriate for the area and we already have too much new development which is changing the charming character of Venice.

Thank you for taking this under consideration and for serving our city.

Very truly yours,

Gerri Hallgren

Sawgrass Resident

Sent from my iPad

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:27 AM
To: Vicki Roberts <floriowa8@icloud.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Development on Auburn Road

Dear Ms. Roberts,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Vicki Roberts <floriowa8@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 4:17 PM
To: John Holic
Subject: Development on Auburn Road

Enough with the greed already! Why would this even be considered. Venice needs controlled growth not this runaway development caused by greed.

Thank you for careful consideration.
Victoria Roberts
Sent from my iPhone

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:25 AM

To: Ralph Ferraro <rferraro0276@gmail.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ferraro,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Ralph Ferraro <rferraro0276@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 4:05:07 PM

To: John Holic; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

My wife and I understand that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home to a density of 2.65 homes per acre allowing for up to 105 homes.

We want to impress upon you that we feel this is NOT in the best interest of Venice.

This uncontrolled growth must come to an end. Our city doesn't have the infrastructure to handle this excessive growth, our city services will be stretched beyond its limits.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask that you reject this proposal.

Venice doesn't need and can't afford the excessive development such as the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this email in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting

Ralph and Nancy Ferraro

1211 Capri Isles Blvd #20

Venice FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:22 AM
To: Lori Wedge <lwedge99@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Cc: 'Paul Wedge' <pwedge99@comcast.net>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Wedge,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
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Venice, FL 34285
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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Lori Wedge <lwedge99@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 3:38:24 PM
To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer
Cc: 'Paul Wedge'
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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Respectfully,

***LORI WEDGE
647 POND WILLOW LN
VENICE FL 34292***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:22 AM

To: John De Young <jdeyoung611@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. De Young,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: John De Young <jdeyoung611@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 3:17:28 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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***Respectfully,
John De Young***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:19 AM

To: Robert <rdwedge2@aol.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Wedge,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Robert <rdwedge2@aol.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 8:21:49 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Robert Wedge
904 Auburn Lakes Circle
Venice, FL

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:21 AM

To: Patricia Mastrorilli <hairnthere@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Project

Dear Ms. Mastrorilli,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Patricia Mastrorilli <hairnthere@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:49:35 PM

To: City Council

Subject: Murphy Oaks Project

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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***Respectfully,
Patricia Mastrorilli***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:19 AM
To: Comcast <dvadams@comcast.net>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: No to Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. Adams,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Comcast <dvadams@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 8:43 PM
To: John Holic
Subject: No to Murphy Oaks

Please don't support this unwise ill-advised development.
Thank you.

Thank you,
Dave Adams

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:45 AM
To: Shand Wentworth <shandwentworth@yahoo.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Auburn Road development

Dear Shand Wentworth,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Shand Wentworth <shandwentworth@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 4:21 AM
To: John Holic
Subject: Auburn Road development

I am a registered voter living within City limits in Venice.

The loop hole that allows this change in density from 8 building sites to 105 needs to be closed. AND it is in a flood zone!

I know, Mayor Holic, that this is your last term as Mayor so you have nothing to loose by promoting and doing "the right thing". Someone has to support planned growth in VENICE. Let it be YOU!

Shand Wentworth
925 Ybor W
VENICE FL 34285

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:44 AM

To: Cliff Dodge <birdie9@comcast.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Dodge,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Cliff Dodge <birdie9@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 5:25:05 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

As a relatively new resident of the City of Venice I have become very interested in our government, how it works and how it perhaps doesn't work to the benefit of all our citizens. I have been watching City Council and the Planning Commission and have become increasingly concerned about the size and scope of development being promoted and built in our city. The Murphy Oaks project is the latest case in point. It appears that Murphy Oaks is currently zoned for 2.65 homes per five acre plot, which is I guess reasonable for this area, considering its proximity to I-75. The new proposal suggests a change to authorize the building of 105 homes instead of the already approved 8 units. Which would be better for Venice: 8 homes vs 105 home, an over taxed infrastructure, noise pollution, clear cutting vegetated rural open space...or allowing major development in a high risk flood zone? Please reject this proposal because it is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and our City. Until Council and the Planning Commission can come to grips with the shortfalls in funding within the GF that you have been telling us about you need to put a stop to excessive development including the Murphy Oaks Project. Please include my protest letter in the official record of correspondence for the November 27th Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Cliff Dodge

1211 Capri Isles Blvd. # 22

Venice, Florida 34292

(303) 909-7104

Birdie9@comcast.net

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:42 AM
To: RICHARD GODOY <richgodoy@verizon.net>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: NO to rezone on Auburn

Dear Mr. Godoy,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: RICHARD GODOY <richgodoy@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:38 AM
To: John Holic
Subject: NO to rezone on Auburn

I am writing regarding the rezoning of the property on Auburn road next to Fox Lea Farm to go up to 105 homes.

I am a resident on Auburn Road in Venice Acres and object 100% to the rezoning of this land.

Please maintain the current zoning.

Thank you

Rich Godoy

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:47 PM

To: Julie <bjblazek@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: 7 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Blazek,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Julie <bjblazek@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:17:42 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: 7 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

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Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

***Respectfully,
Robert & Julie Blazek***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:46 PM

To: snupy6464@aol.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Szutenbach,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: snupy6464@aol.com <snupy6464@aol.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:18:37 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Venice City Council and Mayor Holic,

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Respectfully,

Deborah and Richard Szutenbach
733 Misty Pine Dr
Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:43 PM

To: Larry Brish <larrybrish@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Brish,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Larry Brish <larrybrish@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:29:35 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Larry Brish

Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:40:41 PM

To: DennisW Kean; Lori Stelzer; citycouncil@venicecom.gov; Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen

Subject: Re: Fwd 1: a: City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

Dear Mr. Kean,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: DennisW Kean <denniswkean@msn.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:32:24 PM

To: John Holic; Lori Stelzer; citycouncil@venicecom.gov

Subject: Fw: Fwd 1: a: City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

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jholic@venicegov.com, citycouncil@venicegov.com,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com,

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

***Dennis Kean
109 Savona Court
North Venice, FL 34275***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:39 PM

To: T S <sheridanth@outlook.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Sheridan,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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Venice, FL 34285

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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: T S <sheridanth@outlook.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:14:15 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Cc: T S

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

To , Mayor Holic, Memners of Venice City Council and Lori Stelzer City Clerk

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Also: The City of Venice has a wonderful, nationally recognized and award-winning Comprehensive Plan that was enacted by this City Council only last year.

By Not adhering to the 2017 City Comprehensive Plan and allowing for such gross zoning deviations from this Comprehensive Plan we will only intensify Venice's land use and funding problems going forward

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Thomas Sheridan

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 2:37 PM
To: Elaine Boyle <elboy821@gmail.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy oaks zoning change

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Elaine Boyle <elboy821@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:13:52 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: City Council
Subject: Murphy oaks zoning change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Elaine Boyle
Sawgrass Lot 407

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Elaine

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:17 PM
To: TerryLarson@usa.net; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: TerryLarson@usa.net <TerryLarson@usa.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:08:35 PM
To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

You must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project. The council must examine and adjust its spendthrift tendencies.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

***Terry Larson
Sawgrass***

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:14 PM

To: MP Woj <wiggs75@outlook.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wojnowski,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: MP Woj <wiggs75@outlook.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 8:41:32 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Mayor Holic

City Council:

This is your last chance to do the right thing on the zoning request for Murphy Oaks adjacent to Fox Lea Farms. Please do not again side with developers at the expense of the quality of life for City of Venice Residents. The Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City and will most likely lead to the destruction of Fox Lea Farms and its relocation.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Please remember, this is your last chance to do the right thing on this project. City of Venice residents are watching your actions on these development issues and many are getting very annoyed to what you are allowing to happen to “Paradise”.

Respectfully,

Mike and Mary Wojnowski

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:10 PM

To: Bradley Burget <bburget4638@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Burget,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

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Venice, FL 34285

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From: Bradley Burget <bburget4638@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 9:17 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Ruth Burget

Venice Resident

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:12 PM
To: entiff@gmail.com; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: entiff@gmail.com <entiff@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 8:47:35 AM
To: Lori Stelzer; City Council; John Holic
Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

After moving here two years ago,
I am considering moving somewhere else. The population density here is out of control and developers seem to have their way with local governmental boards.

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

The needs of our community should be focused on updating and developing older less desirable parcels. Such as those already developed along route 41 bypass between Venice ave south to Tamiami trail.

Compacting additional housing will only add to the density problem that all of south Florida is experiencing.

To be sensible, long term thinking coupled with financial restraint will keep/return Venice to the desirable city it was when my family moved here 30 years ago.

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Respectfully,

Laurence Sentiff

Birds bay

Venice FL

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:08 PM
To: Red308 <red308@aol.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: development

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Red308 <red308@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 9:46:18 AM
To: City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Fwd: development

-----Original Message-----
From: Red308 <red308@aol.com>
To: jholic <jholic@venicegov.com>
Sent: Sat, Nov 24, 2018 9:45 am
Subject: development

JUST STOP IT
GERARD VIVERITO

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:06 PM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; HOWARD HOBBS <hcmhobbs@verizon.net>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Hobbs,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: HOWARD HOBBS <hcmhobbs@verizon.net>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 9:59:58 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

November 25, 2018

To: Mayor Holic and The Venice City Council,

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

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Respectfully,

Howard Hobbs

821 Waterside Drive

Venice, FL 34285

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:05 PM

To: Donna Putt <mimiinvenice@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Putt,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

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From: Donna Putt <mimiinvenice@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:07:55 PM

To: City Council; Lori Stelzer; John Holic

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Donna L. Putt

328 Otter Creek Drive

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 1:00 PM
To: Kevin Shepard <kevshep26@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Over build of zoning.

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Kevin Shepard <kevshep26@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:11:29 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Over build of zoning.

Several city leaders have run for council promising prudent growth. Please hold Murphy Oaks to the existing underlying zoning, the zoning that all our neighbors have bought into and live with in peace.

Kevin Shepard
1523 Waterford Drive

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:59 PM
To: Don Russell <jean_don@msn.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks Project rezoning

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

John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Don Russell <jean_don@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:12:03 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Murphy Oaks Project rezoning

I understand that the Murphy Oaks Project is asking for a rezoning of the land for their project to change and allow 105 homes in an area that does not have that density and should not have increased density.

Please do not allow this change. It is not the kind of development that will improve our area. I am very much concerned about the effect it will have on the horse farm next to it and the wonderful benefits the horse farm provides to Venice.

I am also concerned that the Murphy Oaks Project would take resources from Venice for several years before any tax benefits could be realized.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

**Donald and Jean Russell
752 Mossy Creek Dr**

Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:58 PM

To: Jan Putnoky <jan.putnoky@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Putnoky,

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

Sincerely,

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From: Jan Putnoky <jan.putnoky@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:11:50 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mayor Holic,

I am a resident of Sawgrass and have attended the many council meetings and city planning meetings opposing the Murhph Oaks Development.

I have also been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Respectfully,

Jan Putnoky

350 Marsh Landing Way

Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:57 PM

To: Gary Grim <garygrim487@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Fwd 7 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

Dear Mr. Grim,

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

Sincerely,

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From: Gary Grim <garygrim487@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:15:32 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Fwd: Fwd 7 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Gary L. Grim
635 Sawgrass Bridge Road
Venice FL 34292

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Gary L. Grim

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:55 PM

To: Al Valenti <avalenti3@msn.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Valenti,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

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From: Al Valenti <avalenti3@msn.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:19:17 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Alan T. Valenti

**322 Otter Creek Dr
Venice, FL 34292**

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:50 PM

To: Patricia Zingler <pbzingler@verizon.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Patricia and Glenn Zingler,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

John Holic

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401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Patricia Zingler <pbzingler@verizon.net>

Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 12:37:36 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,
Patricia B. Zingler

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 22, 2018 9:55 AM

To: Linda Roe <lroe03@gmail.com>; Charles Newsom <CNewsom@Venicegov.com>; Jeanette Gates <JGates@Venicegov.com>; Mitzie Fiedler <MFiedler@Venicegov.com>; Robert Daniels <RDaniels@Venicegov.com>; Richard Cautero <RCautero@Venicegov.com>

Cc: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>; Heather Taylor <HTaylor@Venicegov.com>; Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Roe,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. As this is a quasi judicial submittal, I cannot comment further on the accuracy or inaccuracy of your email.

Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: Linda Roe <lroe03@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 22, 2018 9:37 AM

To: John Holic; Charles Newsom; Jeanette Gates; Mitzie Fiedler; Robert Daniels; Richard Cautero

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

I respectfully request rejection of this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a “lid” on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,
Linda S Roe

From: Judy terry <39djterry@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 8:15 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>;
L.Stelzer@venicegov.com

Subject: REJECT Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I understand that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of that currently provides 8 homes to a density of 105 homes, over a 1100 % change!

Please reject this proposal as it is totally out of scale with the "needs" of the surrounding neighborhood, as well as the ambience of Lea Farms, its adjoining neighbor, who happens to be one of the largest and most successful attractions offered by the city of Venice.

Until, you, the Council, can reconcile the shortfall in the General Fund that we hear about, it is imperative that you stop this excessive development of the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the Nov. 24, 2018 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Daniel R. Terry
552 Misty Pine Dr, Venice, FL 34292
Venice, FL 34292

From: Judy terry <39djterry@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 8:31 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>;
L.Stelzer@venicegov.com

Subject: The Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I am extremely concerned re: the Murphy Oaks property zoning requests. The huge increase in density suggested by the developers is extremely out of line with the needs of the neighborhood and the existing nearby infrastructure. Fox Lea Farms is a successful attraction for the city of Venice and the entire equestrian community in much of Florida and would be adversely affected by 105 homes on its border. Auburn Road is a route heavily used by bicyclists going south from eastbound and westbound Edmundson Road. It has only one bicycle lane (going south) that is poorly maintained, increasing the danger to cyclists and auto alike, something that the city should be strongly concerned about. Take a drive down Auburn Road and see for yourselves.

I personally find this zoning change appeal to be excessive and ill thought. Who benefits from it?
Hmmm !!

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the Nov. 27, 2018 Council Meeting.

Respectfully

Mary R. Terry
552 Misty Pine Dr,
Venice, FL

From: ROBERT & VALERIE MORRIS JR <vrmorris@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:03 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks Reject

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

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Respectfully,

Robert and Valerie Morris Venice Florida

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

From: Ron Hermann <rrh330@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:19 AM

To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks zoning change

Please change or reject the proposed Murphy Oaks 105 Home plan .

The density does not agree or match any of the current developments in the area.

Ron Hermann

Concerned citizen

Sent from my iPad

From: Richard Fink <rickfink99@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:23 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change - Please Reject

I understand that the City Counsel will be voting on a proposal for the Murphy Oaks housing project on Auburn Rd. to change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

This proposal is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and city. Please reject this proposal.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council meeting.

Respectfully,

Richard Fink

448 Arborview Rd
Venice, FL 34292

From: Mark Mark <msojak0037@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:20 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mayor and Council,

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the “needs” of the neighborhood and City.

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Respectfully,

***Mark Sojak
599 Mossy Creek Drive
Venice Florida
732-306-2190 (cell)***

From: James Perry <jperry64@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:32 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I strongly oppose the Murphy Oaks Project zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the neighborhood and City.

I will be personally asking each one of you just what benefits do we get as Venice residents from increasing the density of development in Venice.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

James P. Perry 577 Misty Pine Dr. Venice

From: Dean Statz <dean.statz@carlfstatz.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:31 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Zoning

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Respectfully,

Dean Statz

370 Marsh Creek Rd.

From: Karen <karen1891house@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 12:51 PM
Subject: Fwd: Fwd 3 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development
To: John Holic <jholic@venicegov.com>, City Council <citycouncil@venicegov.com>, Lori Stelzer <lstelzer@venicegov.com>

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mike Rafferty <mer112693@aol.com>
Date: November 24, 2018 at 8:30:49 AM EST
To: mer112693@aol.com
Subject: Fwd 3 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

Good Morning,

Venice Tax Watch is on the move regarding out of control zoning issues and of immediate concern is the Murphy Oaks Project which is up for consideration by City Council on 11/27/18. This is a residential development on Auburn Road to allow construction of 105 homes on a 39 acre parcel that currently is zoned to allow for 8 homes.

You recently spoke up at the poles and let City Hall know by the razor thin margin of votes (69 votes out of 13,000 votes) that you, the electorate, are becoming motivated, educated, and organized.

Please consider sending an e-mail to the Mayor with copy to Council and City Clerk (e-mail addresses are included below) expressing your opposition to this proposal. You can use the sample below if you please. **Make sure you include your name in the signature block and send it out on or before Monday, 11/26 so it will be in the official record.**

Regards,

Mike
Venice Tax Watch

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

***Respectfully,
Karen Leinard
(your name)***

From: Venice Tax Watch <venice.tax.watch@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 10:08 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Mayor, Council, and Lori,

Please include the attached material from the Scoop in the records for the quasi judicial hearing at Council on 11/27/2018 regarding subject matter.

Thank you,

*Mike Rafferty,
Venice Tax Watch*



Email To The Scoop: Is Venice really considering the approval of 105 homes on a property that is currently zoned for 8?

Frankie,

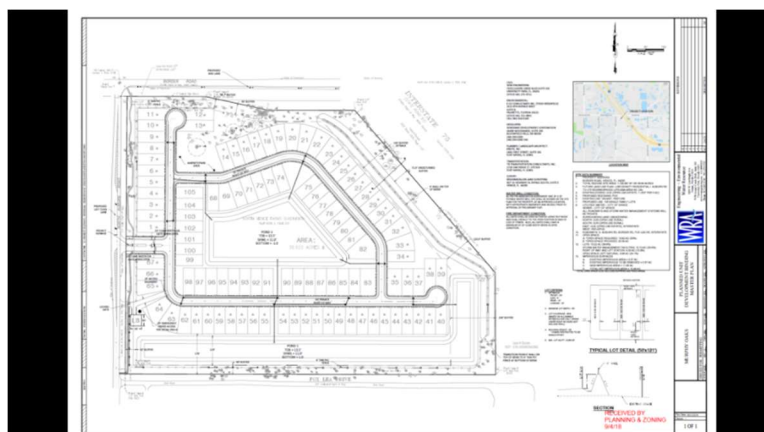
Murphy Oaks is up for consideration by City Council on 11/27/18. This is a residential development on Auburn Road to allow construction of 105 homes on a 39 acre parcel that currently is zoned to allow for 8 homes.

Attached is a kind of “which is better for Venice”....the existing conditions, vegetated, rural, open space, adjacent to noisy I-75.....or....the proposed clear cut of the property like the “Oaks Project” and build a 10 acre pond with 19 acres of house lots and roads in a flood zone

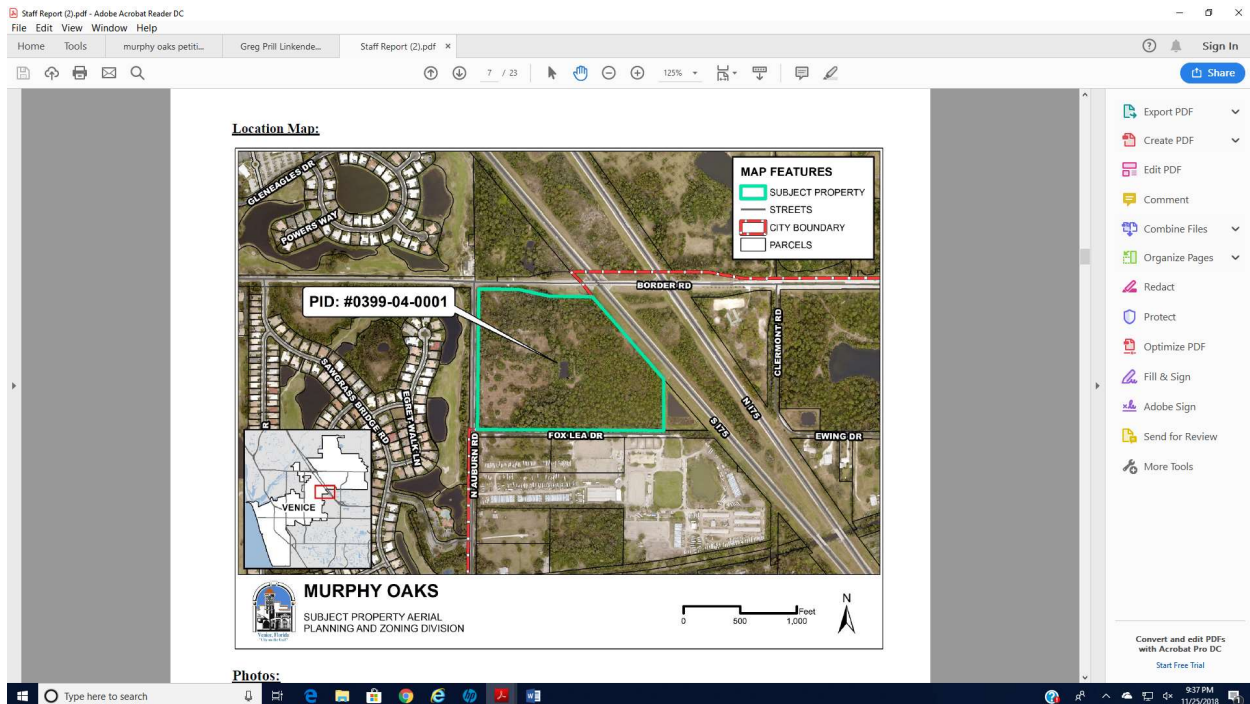
The Planning Dept has identified this parcel as being in a “HIGH RISK FLOOD ZONE” requiring flood insurance and the proposed zoning change is prohibited under the 2017 Comp Plan (staff helped the developer find a loop hole in the law that allowed the developer to circumvent that requirement)(An amendment to the 2017 Comp Plan will be required along with multiple stipulations and code modifications).

Folks need to send e-mails objecting to this proposal....Send to Mayor, Council, and City Clerk..... jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com , LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Venice Tax Watch



Email To The Scoop: Is Venice really considering the approval of 105 homes on a property that is currently zoned for 8?



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Mike Tapalaga Who frickin cares, just build it. Maybe the more roofs they build, more business will come .

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Donn Rance Yea!!!!!!...Just what we need...more strip malls, has stations and convenience stores!

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Deborah Bloom Anderson Do you live in the city of Venice?

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Evan Ackerman Mike Tapalaga then don't advocate for development in a city you do not live in.

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Evan Ackerman Mike Tapalagawhat

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Patricia Foley Mastrorilli Why would you care if you dont live here? Dah...

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Paul Lauffer I feel like people taking issue with houses being built should have to prove that they live in the woods, surrounded by untouched wilderness. Otherwise it seems a bit hypocritical.

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Deborah Bloom Anderson Do you live in Venice?

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Paul Lauffer I used to. However, due to the crazy costs of real estate I purchased in North Port.

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Patricia Foley Mastrorilli You dont live here and obviously dont have a lot of knowledge about this particular parcel of land. Anyone can understand that you shouldnt change zoning of 8 homes to 105 homes. There has to be a compromise here.

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Paul Lauffer Patricia Foley Mastrorilli apparently "anyone" can't understand that. Considering the fact that it not only passed, but seems to have some support from the general public as well. If it's truly a 39 acre lot then that's almost .4 acres per home. Seeing...[See More](#)

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Donn Rance Venice City Counsel will approve any building plan....All need to be replaced!

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Gail Allison Lindquist Venice truly needs affordable housing.

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Matt Marovich Gail Allison Lindquist you can't be serious. That's the last thing you want in any community.

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Matt Gouge Ya who wants locals to be able to afford houses in the area

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Deborah Bloom Anderson This will most assuredly NOT be affordable housing.

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Nancy Mottola Gail Allison Lindquist last thing Venice needs

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Linda Harris Harkins Matt Marovich, Nancy Mottola so where do you two think the ppl that work in the area restaurants, grocery stores, convenient stores, fast food...etc etc should live since you don't want them in your community??

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Gail Allison Lindquist Nancy Mottola wow! Really?! Not nice! I work very hard and want to remain in Venice but the housing is outrageous. You really are not a nice person.

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Gail Allison Lindquist Matt Marovich Yes, I am quite serious. I am a retired school teacher from out of state. The housing here is minimal and very expensive. My folks retired here in 1990 and housing has just gone up, up, up.

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Gail Allison Lindquist Linda Harris Harkins yeah. Spot on. What in the world is the matter with people and why must they be so mean?! It is so sad.

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Gail Allison Lindquist Nancy Mottola wow. There are NO words.

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Casey Renee Kozlowski I was hoping both Matt Marovich and Nancy Mottola were being sarcastic

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Gail Allison Lindquist Casey Renee Kozlowski yeah, well me too but IDK.... I know that beautiful Venice is exploding but I ❤️ Venice and want to stay here. It has just gotten outta hand with rents...

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Deana Hays It's gotten out of hand because of the northerners moving down! If they'd stay up north when they retire we'd be fine! Coming from a FLORIDIAN!

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John Bassi Nancy Mottola ignorant

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John Bassi Matt Marovich ignorant

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Gail Allison Lindquist Deana Hays I completely understand!

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Becky J. Overholser The 150 homes will go real nice with the "hotel" proposed near there on Venice Ave. Does council ever turn down any of these kinds of rezoning. Must be good money to be made in these deals.

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Stephen McLaughlin 105 doesn't equal 150

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William Hancock Corruption to the Core!!!

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Jen Brown if you have to ask questions like that in venice the answer is always yes 😞

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Rich Peabody Elections have consequences. We just put another real estate person in

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Samantha Gentrup Yep! What a disaster.

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Trixie Belden I wish a builder would go into some of the neighborhoods and just buy old houses and upgrade them. We still have many foreclosures and homes in terrible repair. In England they remodel what they have instead continuous sprawl.

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Patricia Nicolais No NoNoNoNo

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Deborah Mack Adding more to an already overtaxed eco system in a known flood zone. And than have folks wondering why we have all the continuing issues occur.

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Susan Barrett So sick of these commissioners who allow this crap.

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Jeff Klinebriel Ridiculous way too much building. Way to many empty homes on market overpriced. Sarasota County going to be another ugly East coast

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1 Reply



Fred Fraize I would have voted no if I was on council but maybe that is why they wanted me gone.

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Lizsa Montgomery Francesco, we live across the interstate on Border from Fox Lea. Every show, every weekend we listen to the entire announcing like it is in our backyard. We smell the horses and deal with the horse trailers. Its the price we pay for living in the country. If you think these people are going to pay big money for homes right next door and smell horse crap and listen to announcing 8 hours straight every show, no way in hell. They will buy and then BITCH knowing they were buying homes next to a horse arena.

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Brenda J Lewis Lizsa Montgomery have many friends who attend these shows regularly in the winter months from the north. They are well run & bring in extra revenue for surrounding areas. Some come for a few days & others stay 2/3 months. Clay's facility is very clean ...[See More](#)

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Patricia Foley Mastrorilli Fox Lea has the right to continue running their business which brings joy to many people and not have these homeowners "bitching" at them for exactly what you said Lizsa. They are running a premier facility which is already established and brings a lot of business into Venice.

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Gwen Shepherd Heggan John Nolan is rolling in his grave. He designed the parcels out there for rural, which is for a healthy city and must have a mix of agriculture. This needs to be fought for. Fox Lea has been there for years, top notch facility, let them be.

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Marcia Makely Stop building !!!!! Enough traffic

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JoAnne V Davidson Patricia Foley Mastrorilli. Do you know about this ?

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Patricia Foley Mastrorilli Along with Fox Lea Farms, Waterford, Sawgrass have actively been fighting this so called Sardine zoning change. They should build according to the zoning. This will really impact Fox Lea Farm a top notch equestrian Center who brings a lot money into Venice filling hotels and filling the restaurants both in and out of "season"! There is a meeting at Town Hall Tuesday at 9am. You can also send a letter via emails to the mayor and councilmen telling them to stop the Murphy Oaks rezoning! We need to have a well balanced community and not be overrun with homes. There are a lot of appropriately zoned parcels that they are building on! We need to Stop The Murphy Oaks rezoning!

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Scott DuFrane sounds about right..many years ago a building moratorium was triedgreed triumphs responsible growth!

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Ellen Klage The Venice Council only look for the \$\$\$\$. They aren't concerned about the infrastructure or density. Once, Venice is a parking lot as so many "small" towns become. They are considering putting in a hospital at a round-about. Smart!!

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Stephen McLaughlin Excellent spot

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From: Jdornette1 <jdornette1@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2018 10:04 AM
To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Murphy Oaks

Present zoning for the site is fair to citizens and the developer who bought it under the current plan. This change is greedy, too dense and another example of developer "overreach". We have have a nice city becoming over crowded and exceeding good planning principles. I served as a City Attorney and Redevelopment Commission Attorney for many years and know how developers sell their plans based on growth and income without regard to quality of life for residents. Please be fair to those of us who love Venice and want to see the community maintain its friendly personal atmosphere.

John Dornette
1305 Gondola Park
Venice, Fl.

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Sent from my iPad

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:55 AM
To: Fabienne Perry <fperry64@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Cc: Kelly Fernandez - Persson & Cohen <kfernandez@swflgovlaw.com>
Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Fabienne Perry,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Fabienne Perry <fperry64@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 9:43 AM
To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer
Subject: Murphy Oaks

I strongly oppose the increase in density for the Murphy Oaks project.

I simply do not understand why our City Council wants to increase density here in Venice.
So called "Smart Growth" seems only to be smart for developers.

I request a response from each city council member. Please tell me what are the benefits to the citizens of Venice for the increase in density at Murphy Oaks???

Please include this message in the record of the 11/27 Council meeting.

Fabienne Perry

Venice, Florida

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or the increase in density at Murphy Oaks???

From: Julie Ross <julieross13@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 10:24 AM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; city council@venicegov.com; LSelzer@venicegov.com

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Ladies and Gentlemen,

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Respectfully,

***Julie and Stanley Ross
685 Sawgrass Bridge Road
Venice, FL 34292***

From: Sharon Hermann <srh330@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 2:36 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Fwd: 8 City of Venice Continues to Promote Over Development

To: jholic@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

Dear Mayor Holic and City Council Members,

The Murphy Oaks Project is totally out of sync with adjoining neighborhoods and the City. Rezoning the density from 8 homes to 105 homes is ludicrous. The impact on traffic alone should be reason enough to reject this proposal not to mention how it will affect the natural habitat and how it will impact home values of existing neighborhoods. And, of course, Fox Lea must be given the consideration it deserves as a premier attraction in this area and the many dollars generated by events.

We, the people, have elected all of you to make decisions based on what is best for our community. Allowing Murphy Oaks to proceed with the current plan is definitely not in the community's best interest. Yes, progress and growth is inevitable. But, instead of making decisions based on the almighty dollar, use your common sense to realize that other considerations are more important. Please do not allow beautiful Venice to become just another congested, overbuilt, poorly zoned city.

I hope that your desire to govern Venice is because you truly love it's beauty and charm. If, indeed, that is the reason you are sitting in that Council seat, you must, in good conscience, reject the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this letter in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,
Sharon Hermann
Sawgrass Resident

From: Eric Carlson <ericjoelcarlson@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 1:19 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Excessive Development

To: jholich@venicegov.com , citycouncil@venicegov.com ,
LStelzer@Venicegov.com ,

Subject: *Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change*

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Respectfully,

Eric J Carlson

From: Jim Huber <jimchuber@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 1:00 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning should be rejected.

The undersigned lives in Sawgrass. One of my neighbors has left this community because he felt the City was overbuilding. I also have had several prospective residents (people who are looking for a community in which to live) tell me they are a bit hesitant to live here because of overbuilding . So the reputation of this City has come into question with at least four people with whom I have had conversation. Realizing that this report is hearsay, you may choose to ignore this report – but I stand by what has been indicated to me by these persons. This writer was born and raised in a rural setting as my father and mother farmed 160 acres in southern Minnesota so I am familiar with what 160 acres looks like. I cannot imagine putting 105 homes on 160 acres—but the Murphy Oaks plan wants to put that number of homes on one fourth of 160 acres. It seems obvious to me that the developer is merely looking to make a large amount of money rather than having a true interest in the best interests of the City of Venice. I'm guessing that the developer would lose about \$5 million if he had to reduce the number of lots to sell to a number that would make more sense to a 39 acre parcel so the issue really boils down to dollars rather than sense. Further, this sardine-like proposal is out of scale with the surrounding community and with the City as a whole. Please make this part of the record of correspondence for the City Council meeting of November 27th, 2018. Most respectfully, James C. Huber (358 Turtleback Crossing; 941-488-2830)

From: ronald courtney <ronclaire5@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 12:56 PM
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: City Agenda -Murphy Oaks

Mayor Holic and Council Members

As a city resident with minor involvement with the Auburn Road site I was slightly taken back when I read the comments by a member of the Planning Commission. He expressed appreciation for the remarkable attitude of compromise and flexibility shown by the developer in regards to the Murphy Oaks Proposal. It seemed that someone's final description of the process was in conflict with the actual total events. Thus I am contacting city council to express what I remember as factual.

Initially when the developer proposed his original application with a different name there was an immediate problem concerning density, water levels, and noise..When confronted by a joint front of Fox Lee Farm, Sawgrass and Waterford during review by the Planning Commission that the proposal was a poor plan under a flawed system the developer spoke words of compromise and flexibility while insisting that the plan be approved as is stating that change could occur later . When the Planning commission rejected his proposal rather than altering it and returning to the commission he went directly to the city council.

Once again Fox Lee Farm, a well established business had to commit further financial resources to combat a direct economic threat to their future by the plan. In addition Sawgrass and Waterford Homeowners were also further committed to defend their interest. The developer continued with his passive aggressive approach by agreeing to numerous minor stipulations/modifications that involved the fringe of the site while resisting any substantial change. Under city guidance the developer agreed to meet with all parties in an attempt to find common grounds for a compromise. Instead of immediately meeting the developer attempting to separate Sawgrass/Waterford from Fox Lee Farms. He than delayed meeting while using a single email as a sign that Fox Lee Farms was conflicted on his proposal. When he meet with the parties he continued to express his desire to reach an agreement without offering or accepting any substantial change. Thus with council realizing the danger in approving a plan with so many written changes and faced with rejection only than did he withdraw his plan.

Now once again council is faced with a new plan but with the same developer. This time the plan was under the correct process. Yet while there have been alterations that do address certain issues the main issue of density and compatibility has not been addressed. It is the same group of Fox Lee Farm, Sawgrass and Waterford that prevented the initial passage of a ill conceived plan that are again attempting to show their concerns. They are not speaking out against development but against this specific plan. Once again residents of the City of Venice are standing in opposition as they did to the original proposal that a business plan of a developer not override any negative impact into quality of life issues

Recently the Planning Commission and City Council approved a development plan for a plot on Harbor Drive. There was opposition by local residents concerning the number of lots. They protested that the proposal of seven lots was in violation of the compatibility regulations and should be 6. The Commission and Council rejected their position. The plot on the island was clearly in a well established residential area where one additional lot would not have a negative impact. The present proposal of Murphy Oaks is in land that was rural and county prior to being recently annexed. To establish a development that is substantially larger than the surrounding established communities and existing business is a clear violation of compatibility. Evidence has been presented at the planning commission that if mirroring Sawgrass lot size the appropriate number of lots are not 105 but somewhere between 80- 85. Fox Lee Farms, Sawgrass and Waterford are unified in

protecting the rural nature of the area. Please listen to tomorrow's community representatives to fully understand the necessity in reducing the number of lots to protect not only the quality of life for those who will live in Murphy Oaks but for those that are already enjoying the quiet rural atmosphere of Auburn Road neighborhood. There was a reason that we modified the comprehensive plan and that was to establish and protect the individual nature of the various segments of the city. Your vote will have a major impact on that concept.

Respectfully yours

Ronald Courtney
435 Otter Creek Drive
Venice, FL 34292
941 484 2062

From: Joseph Jablonski <ujjablonski@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 12:42 PM
To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; stelzer@venicegov.com
Subject: FW: CITY GROWTH

From: Joseph Jablonski [<mailto:ujjablonski@verizon.net>]
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:43 PM

Subject: CITY GROWTH

I am definitely against what is happening to the City of Venice and the growth that is occurring without any thought or planning regarding the infrastructure that is not keeping up with the expansion. Our town is being raped by the developers and home builders without any thought of the residents. As a resident of SAWGRASS on Auburn Rd , I am definitely against the planning board involving Bridle Oaks development and maybe the loss of Fox Lea Farms. The possibility of their move and the loss of millions of dollars in revenue that the generate would have a huge deficit of, dollars that would have to be made up by us taxpayers. Has the City Council given any thought of the danger that could occur to the horses and or riders should the noise with the construction startle them. I as a taxpayer do not want the City Council to approve this development. Please give this a lot of thought and start thinking of the potential of dollar loss and accidents

Joseph and Ursula Jablonski
539 Misty Pine Dr
Venice, FL 34292
(20 YR Resident of Sawgrass)

From: Richard Albright <richard2376@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 12:36 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Opposition to Proposed Murphy Oaks Development

Importance: High

Dear Mayor Holic and members of City Council

My wife and I are opposed to the development of Murphy Oaks in its present form. We have been following this project since it was first proposed and have attended numerous council meetings, the developer's public workshop, and the city planning commission meeting. At each meeting it has been routinely moved forward despite the objections of the citizens. We are not opposed to the site being developed, but we object strongly to the number of homes and lack of consideration for the surrounding communities. At the planning commission meeting the developer said he had made concessions to everything that was requested, but their concessions amounted to a slight reduction in the number of homes to be built, some left turn lanes, the height of a plastic fence, plantings and ponds along the Fox Lea Border and the requirement that buyers would have to abide by written restrictions.

When it was mentioned that what was really needed was to reduce the number of homes to less than 100 to make it compatible with the surrounding communities. The developer, in answer, produced a plot of one section of Sawgrass (Misty Pine Drive) and said that Murphy Oaks would be similar. What he failed to mention was that Misty Pine Drive is just one street in Sawgrass consisting of Villa Homes and totals 91 homes out of 570. I suppose they are using the same logic in the Waterford community. The planning commission surveys show Sawgrass at a home density of 1.88 homes per acre compared to 2.27 in the proposed community.

We feel this should have been resolved at the planning commission level because in addition to the density there are too many unresolved issues.

1. Storm water control issues. As designed all the water flow from Murphy Oaks will be running into Curry Creek, which is already under stress, especially during Hurricanes and heavy rain events when the Myakka overflows into the creek.
2. Traffic flow has not really been evaluated especially during "season" when there is double or triple the normal volume.
3. Has anyone really evaluated what the effect will be on our school system, considering that Venice High School is already over capacity?
4. This project, if it is approved in its present form, will do harm to the business of Fox Lea Farms, one of the premier equestrian venues on the East Coast, and a huge source of economic activity to Venice and Sarasota County. All that needs to happen is that a resident does not pay attention to their deed restrictions and causes an incident in which a rider or million dollar horse is injured or worse.
5. If the project is approved, what measures are in place to make sure that it does not get built as the "stick built monstrosity" on Jacaranda Boulevard and East Venice Avenue, south of the

roundabout? This was also studied and approved by the Sarasota Planning Commission and Council, but it certainly does not add to the charm of our community, and we can only guess what will happen to traffic when it gets occupied.

As our elected representatives, it is time for the City Council to take a stand and listen to the voices of the citizens who have elected them, instead of the developers and realtors who fund their political campaigns.

Respectfully,

Carol and Richard Albright
494 Sawgrass Bridge Road
Venice FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Judy terry <39djterry@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; L.Stelzer@venicegov.com
Subject: Re: REJECT Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. Terry,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Judy terry <39djterry@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 8:15:04 AM
To: John Holic; City Council; L.Stelzer@venicegov.com
Subject: REJECT Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

I understand that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of that currently provides 8 homes to a density of 105 homes, over a 1100 % change!

Please reject this proposal as it is totally out of scale with the "needs" of the surrounding neighborhood, as well as the ambience of Lea Farms, its adjoining neighbor, who happens to be one of the largest and most successful attractions offered by the city of Venice.

Until, you, the Council, can reconcile the shortfall in the General Fund that we hear about, it is imperative that you stop this excessive development of the Murphy Oaks Project.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the Nov. 24, 2018 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

Daniel R. Terry
552 Misty Pine Dr, Venice, FL 34292
Venice, FL 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 11:53 AM

To: Dave Gardner <wdgardner52@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gardner,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Dave Gardner <wdgardner52@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 11:26:54 AM

To: John Holic; City Council

Subject: Murphy Oaks

Dear Mayor Holic and City Council members,

This email is in regard to the Murphy Oaks development. We're sure you've heard all the reasons why this plan should not go forward.

Our reasoning is more on the environmental side. There are several hundred homes going in at Border Road, Jacaranda, Honore and Venice Ave. Responsible thinking would understand that these developments are already going to further aggravate the Red Tide situation, and storm sewer and drainage problems. All of these homes will add to the runoff situation which you have had several meetings on over the summer. The increasing traffic will also add to the pollution in the area.

We would think that the Council would not be in favor of adding more stress to the environment, as well as the financial stress to Venice. Our infrastructure and existing utilities can only take so much.

Please don't turn our gem of a city into another Ft. Myers. We've watched the development of Venice since 1969, and it's time to either stop or at least slow it way down. By stopping these developments existing property values will escalate due to supply and demand. That's a win for the residents and the city.

Please use level heads and vote NO on Murphy Oaks.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dave and Laura Gardner

402 Arborview Lane 34292

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 11:48 AM
To: Julie Ross <julieross13@aol.com>; LSelzer@venicegov.com; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ross,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
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Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
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Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Julie Ross <julieross13@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 10:24:19 AM
To: John Holic; city council@venicegov.com; LSelzer@venicegov.com
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Julie and Stanley Ross

685 Sawgrass Bridge Road
Venice, FL 34292

From: Donald Comeau <decomeau@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 11:58 AM

To: 'jholc@venicegov.com' <jholc@venicegov.com>; 'citycounci@lvenicegov.com' <citycounci@lvenicegov.com>; 'LStelzer@enicegov.com' <LStelzer@enicegov.com>

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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From: John Holic
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 7:04:53 PM
To: Ken McCleary
Cc: citycouncil@venice.com
Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Professor McCleary,
On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments.
Sincerely,
John Holic
Mayor, City of Venice
401 W. Venice Ave.
Venice, FL 34285
Office: 941-882-7402
Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Ken McCleary <mccleary@vt.edu>
Sent: Sunday, November 25, 2018 1:10:23 PM
To: John Holic
Cc: citycouncil@venice.com
Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

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Ken W. McCleary
Professor Emeritus
Hospitality and Tourism Management

Virginia Tech
553 Marsh Creek Road
Venice, FL 34292
Phone: (941) 356-7779
Email: mccleary@vt.edu

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 8:07 PM

To: R&G Patterson <bgpatt61@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Murphy Oaks

Dear R. Patterson,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: R&G Patterson <bgpatt61@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 11:17 AM

To: City Council

Subject: Murphy Oaks

Sounds like there are serious issues with this project that need attention before the project is approved. With so much building taking place already in the Venice area, can Venice really afford another development? City services are already over burdened.

Thank you,

R. Patterson

602 Auburn Lakes Circle

From: R&G Patterson <bgpatt61@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 11:17 AM
To: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Murphy Oaks

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

From: Joan High <joanhigh38@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 8:52 PM

To: Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Proposed housing project.

It is time Mayor and City council you stop allowing all these developments. There will be no more vacant land where we can see beautiful trees, open land and cows grazing. Our schools are getting overcrowded and our infrastructure will suffer greatly if you do not slow down the building. Some of the builders currently doing these developments should be banned from Venice. I have never seen such terrible workmanship that I have seen first hand. Where is the building inspector. I will refrain from mentioning the builder and the development. Such an injustice to the buyers that are looking at the beautiful models and thinking they are getting great quality.

Sent from my iPhone

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 3:52 AM

To: Michelle <cannoli2409@aol.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Maurer-Wilson,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. Your email was received well past cut off for inclusion on the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/2018 meeting and will be handled as additional late correspondence.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Michelle <cannoli2409@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 1:21:12 AM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Respectfully,

Michelle Maurer-Wilson

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 3:49 AM

To: Jeffrey Bachand <jeffreybachand@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bachand,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. Your email was received well past cut off for inclusion on the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/2018 meeting and will be handled as additional late correspondence.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Jeffrey Bachand <jeffreybachand@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 8:54:14 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

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Respectfully,

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Jeff Bachand & Margaret Bachand

530 Sawgrass Bridge Rd

Venice, FL

941-488-3106

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 3:47 AM

To: Janice <janlyn2@verizon.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; LStelzer@Venciegov.com

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Ms. Poates,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. Your email was received well past cut off for inclusion on the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/2018 meeting and will be handled as additional late correspondence.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

401 W. Venice Ave.

Venice, FL 34285

Office: 941-882-7402

Cell: 941-303-3357

From: Janice <janlyn2@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 6:15:21 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; LStelzer@Venciegov.com

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

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Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs " of the neighborhood and the City. Most people purchased homes in Venice because it was a small, comfortable city and I, for one, do not want to see Venice turned into another Sarasota.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a Lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

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Respectfully,

Janice L. Poates

1003 Auburn Lakes Circle

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From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 3:46 AM

To: John Block <jhblock13@gmail.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Re: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Block,

On behalf of Venice City Council, thank you for your comments. Your email was received well past cut off for inclusion on the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/2018 meeting and will be handled as additional late correspondence.

Sincerely,

John Holic

Mayor, City of Venice

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From: John Block <jhblock13@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 5:52:22 PM

To: John Holic; City Council; Lori Stelzer

Subject: Reject Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

City Council Members:

We have been advised by Venice Tax Watch that the Murphy Oaks Project is proposing a zoning change from a density of 5 acres per home (providing for 8 homes) to a density of 2.65 homes per acre (providing for 105 homes).

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the "needs" of the neighborhood and City.

Until Council can come to grips with the funding shortfall within the General Fund that you have been telling us about, you must put a "lid" on excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

One might think that the proposed 1300% increase over present zoning is rather excessive and frankly, quite absurd. The city needs less development of this type and look forward to your proper consideration of this request in your decision making processes.

Please include this in the official record of correspondence for the 11/27/18 Council Meeting.

Respectfully,

John H. and Betty A. Block

Venice Residents

From: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 4:00 PM

To: James Courtright <jimcourt1@verizon.net>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: RE: Murphy Oaks Project

Dear Mr. Courtright,

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

Sincerely,

John Holic

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From: James Courtright [<mailto:jimcourt1@verizon.net>]

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:12 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

Subject: Murphy Oaks Project

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Please reject this over-ambitious project:

- It's too close to I-75 - noise will be an issue after a neighborhood revolt.
- Too close to Fox Lea Farms, the existing property to the south that makes noise at night and will cause unwanted odors - again a future problem you do not want to deal with.
- This property has a number of grand trees that should be preserved.
- The lots are quite small and the planned density is achieved by making a giant pond in the middle, taking out more trees, and serving as the source of fill for the low-lying lots. It will not be a pretty neighborhood such as those it borders, Waterford and Sawgrass.
- We already have thousands of single family homes approved for Borer Road - the traffic is going to be a problem even before approval of this project.
- It should be called "Favellas of Venice" for what it is, and be REJECTED by the City Council.

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From: Stanley Yaro <sltyaro@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:29 PM
To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>
Cc: City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>
Subject: Murphy Oaks Zoning Change

Venice City Government:

Please reject this proposal as it is out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood and the City of Venice. Enough is Enough...We moved into Sawgrass and chose Venice over other areas 8 years ago because of the quaint, beautiful city that we fell in love with. After living in Philadelphia and Chicago, it was an absolute dream.

However, slowly but surely the city has evolved into a large scale development nightmare. The latest developments offer no property lines, congestion, look alike houses and narrow streets. Developers have ruled city council and eventually the city and its people will pay because of all the problems and baggage larger scale cities must deal with.

You have a chance to help control the excessive development as is the Murphy Oaks Project.

Sincerely,
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From: cbertin@aol.com <cbertin@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:04 PM

To: John Holic <JHolic@Venicegov.com>; City Council <CityCouncil@Venicegov.com>; Lori Stelzer <LStelzer@Venicegov.com>

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***Claude L. Bertin &
Juliet E. Bertin***