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To: Schroader, Kathy
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FYI and for the record Thanks

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From: Sydney Reisbick [<mailto:reisbicks@comcast.net>]
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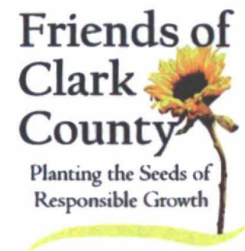
For the Record.

Date 11/23/15

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Dear Clark County Councilors, Attny Cook and Dr. Orjiako:

For the Record of the Growth Management Act Process: Request postponement of 11/24/15 BOCC Hearing on adoption of Councilman Madore's ever-changing Alternative for the 2016 Growth Management Plan.

This has been a long process, which seems to be ending in adoption of a recently created and murky alternative. This alternative grossly underestimates the number of lots that can be developed and therefore will lead to the underfunding of the Capital Facilities Plan to accommodate the real growth that will occur.

There are two ways that this hearing is insulting and demeaning to the citizens who have been following and commenting on this process. First there is not a reasonable time between the multiple changes in the proposal (we are now on the 9th revision since the one dated November 3rd) and need to prepare effective public comment. Secondly, there is a pattern of scheduling the Comprehensive Plan Update hearing at the end of a very long session that includes awards, a long consent agenda, general public comment and another hearing. The last hearing occurred after a 5-hour wait.

The Growth Management Comprehensive Plan update is too important to occur after people who want to comment have to leave. It deserves to be in the evening when people can come and to be the only thing on the agenda. In addition, FOCC objects to the scrapping of a two year process and the attempt to force through a new Alternative in less than a month with no real ability for the public or staff to vet the proposal as has occurred with all of the other proposals over the past two years.

Therefore, in order to at least attempt to comply with the public participation resolution previously adopted by the BOCC, we specifically request that a second hearing be scheduled to occur two weeks from the current hearing and that it occur in the evening to accommodate the many members of the public who have jobs and would like to attend and provide meaningful public comment.

Very sincerely,
Sydney Reisbick, President
Friends of Clark County

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“Development decisions affect many of the things that touch people's everyday lives — their homes, their health, the schools their children attend, the taxes they pay, their daily commute, the natural environment around them, economic growth in their community, and opportunities to achieve their dreams and goals. What, where, and how communities build will affect their residents' lives for generations to come.” United States Environmental Protection Agency