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Subject: FW: April 1, 2016 Hockinson Comprehensive Plan Open House Conversations - For the Public Record

A comment from Carol Levanen for whatever it is worth. Thanks.

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Dear Councilors,

Clark County Citizens United, Inc. was approached by attendees of the Hockinson Open House, on a continuous basis with requests for our handout in support of Alternative 4, and conversations over their concerns. All of them wanted smaller lot sizes in the rural areas. CCCU distributed 100 handouts. One landowner reported that they overheard a staff member tell someone that Alternative 4 will never pass because it doesn't have enough votes. When one planner was asked if he had an open mind regarding the proposal, he told the citizen that he was not interested in having a conversation with the man. Many of them commented that it was obvious that staff didn't support Alternative 4 and they were unable to get answers to their questions. Many commented that they were happy to see Councilors Madore and Stewart there to hear, first hand, what they had to say. The attendees were a composite of well mannered concerned citizens of the community, including landowners, business owners, and the building industry.

Realtor, Leah Higgins, invited many of the major builders to the Open House and a number of them attended. A representative from New Tradition Homes, a highly respected custom home builder who employs many tradesmen, stopped by to talk with CCCU. He thanked Leah for inviting him and said he was very glad he came. He made the comment in response to Oliver Orjiako's report, and said, "Yea, 8,000 new homes, I'm all for that! But, that report wasn't accurate, and the potential number of buildable lots is a much smaller number. Jaime Howsley, from the Clark County Chapter of the BIA, did not attend either the Ridgefield Open House or the Hockinson Open House. Perhaps this indicates that he is not adequately representing BIA members, and the building industry is a large part of Clark County's economy.

In a public forum such as the Hockinson Open House, Clark County Planning Staff has a legal responsibility to the councilors and the public to present all information presented to the public in a factual, informative, neutral and non-biased way, with professional kindness and consideration. The comments that CCCU received did not indicate that was the case.

Sincerely,

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