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AGENDA ITEM 8

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Tracy Oehler

From: noreply@cityofventura.ca.gov
Sent: Monday, August 2, 2021 3:00 PM
To: City Clerk
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Name	Trevor Gotsman
Address	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Select Legislative/Hearing Body	City Council
Meeting Date	8/2/2021
Select a Topic:	Public Comments
Recommendation	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Written Comments	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Upload Files	<u>Honorable Mayor and City Council</u> <u>August 2, 2021.pdf</u>

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Honorable Mayor and City Council

August 2, 2021

Simplicity is the solution.

Ask for the truth, accept it, know it.
Acknowledge obscuring; desire, ego and judgement.

Intent, steers the outcome.

Positivity. Advise rather than negate what needs advising.
"Dogs on leash", "Private Property" are positive. "No Dogs", "No Trespassing" are negative.

I ask that we respect our ancestors, and honor our parents, being true to the child they bore.
Each has their own intent. Keeping it focused on the simple truth, it swells and builds, settling
and smoothing unsure turbulence.

It helps when Mother instructs and I listen. I struggle conforming, constricting my style, and
knowing my limitations. Mother is in charge, and she is sick. Now is the time to accept our
responsibility and culpability, and live in harmony. This is Mother's Household, her Economy,
and we are her children who need to care for each other and our home, as she expects, and as
she insists, "You know what's right".

Thank you for allowing me this honor of writing my feelings. I do it for my mother, trying to be the
son my father sired.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Trevor Gotsman

AGENDA ITEM 9J

**REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR PROJECT 91084 - MISSION PARK
MAIN STREET FRONTAGE IMPROVEMENTS**

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Agenda Item Number/Topic	13.a and 9J
Recommendation	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Written Comments	Thank you for your time in reading my remarks, and thank you for delaying item 9J and for allowing further public input on the Mission Park Project. Please see my attached comments regarding item 13.a, the joint Planning Commission and City Council session.

AGENDA ITEM 13A

PRELIMINARY DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT

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Thank you for your time in reading my remarks.

I will start by saying I agree with the chosen redevelopment areas of Pacific View Mall and Johnson Drive. I also think the Montalvo neighborhood has provides excellent opportunities for redevelopment, considering its location next to the rail line for transportation. Another area to consider is the light industrial park area between Market and the railroad tracks. If you made areas mixed use, a second floor above light manufacturing could be ideal residential space for a section of our community. Artists and other creative types would love the live/work atmosphere.

Please implement these items as part of the planning and permit process.

1. Require story poles for any new structure over 35' or requesting a height variance, prior to approval and allowing time for public comments.
2. Mail notifications to ALL residents and property owners within a 1 mile radius. *Especially if it will be blocking ocean and/or hill views.
3. Post story boards which include 4x6 rendering of proposed project at the development location within one week of submitting project to the city.
4. Hearing dates posted at the site a minimum of 30 days prior to hearing date and no smaller than 72 pt type. Color coded. Green for 1st hearing. Yellow for second, and red for 3rd.
5. Hire a public relations person, or social media person to keep the public informed of meetings, developments, and items which affect us.

Regarding: Goal 3 Provide adequate housing sites through appropriate land use and zoning designations to accommodate the City's share of regional housing need.

Policy 3.3 Expedite permit processing for infill projects. **Do not grant every variance request and ALLOW PUBLIC INPUT.**

Policy 3.7 Consider use of publicly owned land, such as public parking lots, for housing or economic development purposes. **But NOT to the detriment of the community and parking availability.**

Policy 3.8

Identify opportunities for housing development, redevelopment or adaptive reuse that supports other community goals such as neighborhood improvement, recreation opportunities, and the preservation of sensitive lands and neighborhood character.

***** This is a ridiculous goal and needs to be removed in its entirety. It is too broad and dangerous. *** Goal 4 Mitigate or remove any potential governmental constraints to housing production and affordability.**

DO NOT REMOVE PROTECTIONS that make Ventura, Ventura.

5. Key Themes of Comments Received

Constraints to Housing Development: "The biggest challenge is development review and Approval process." This is false.

The biggest challenge is that developers continuously submit plans for projects that do not adhere to the existing building code in neither scale nor vernacular. Thus, requiring the approval process to be drawn out so the developer can either redesign their project, or ask for multiple variances and concessions.

"The lack of land zoned for multi-family housing and community opposition to density are also identified as constraints." Partially true.

The community opposition is in large part due to the massive increase in size, scale and density of the rezoned parcels.

Not all potential sites for developments are equal. Some are highly visible and will have a massive impact on the character of Ventura, it's visitors and entire communities. Others have little impact to Ventura as a destination, or, to its visitors.

Ventura has been a city longer than the U.S. has been a nation. Please, don't obliterate everything that makes Ventura special. We can build, convert, and infill housing in a respectful, responsible way. Every single project does not have to be maxed out. We do not need a bunch of cheaply built, rushed projects to meet some obscure number.

Please, follow the spirit of our community and the municipal building code which so eloquently states how we should proceed. Chapter 24.295 establishes the CMXD -

1. Provide areas where California Coastal Act priority land uses such as visitor serving commercial and recreational uses are encouraged and given priority; and
2. Allow residential use in conjunction with or adjacent to visitor-serving commercial and recreational uses in a manner that avoids conflicts between them.
3. Facilitate development that respects the desired pedestrian scale and character of Ventura's coastal environment by avoiding massive, monolithic structures, and instead encouraging a series of smaller scale buildings fronting publicly accessible walkways, streets, and/or open space(s).

(Ord. No. 2006-015, § 11, 9-11-06)

I know my remarks are all over the place, but I just found out about this joint meeting, today, with City Council and the PC & PD staff.

Thank you again for your time.

Amy Cherrie

Native Venturan