SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS I Office of the City Clerk

City Council of the City of Napa Regular Meeting June 2, 2020

FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA:

AFTERNOON SESSION:

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Email from Jarvis Peay received on May 26, 2020.*
- Email from Kathleen Yeend received on June 1, 2020.
- Handwritten Comment from Norma Gabellini received on June 2, 2020.*
- Email from Constance Coughlan received on June 2, 2020.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

5.B. Downtown Napa Property and Business Improvement District Renewal.

• PowerPoint Presentation by City Staff.

*EMAIL OR HANDWRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE READ INTO THE RECORD BY CITY STAFF DURING THE MEETING.

City Council Regular Meeting 6/2/2020 Supplemental I - 3. Public Comment From: Jarvis Peay

From: King Jarvis

To: <u>Clerk; Lee Reynolds; Sean</u>

Subject: To Be Read Aloud: Open Session Public Comment

Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 5:44:36 PM

Attachments: To Be Read Aloud.rtf

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Hear Ye, Hear Ye...... His Royal Majesty, King Jarvis IV Declares: All ye of of little faith in the fact that your nation is wholly owned and operated by tyrannical oligarchs, shall continue to be subjected to their extraConstitutional whims and fancy. The abdication of thy rights and privileges shall be the thorn upon thy heels for all of modernity. These clowns are playing Simon Sez with your very being. Y'all are screwed, lemmings. Bill Gates senior, the co founder of planned parenthood, along with Margaret Sanger, rendered unto you his junior, who has destroyed the lives of countless citizens of the world with his planned obsolescence of able bodied minorities. We so called tin hat wearers revel not in your misery, but we are grateful for the wisdom of having seen the inner American threat that has plagued the entire world. Our old stomping grounds, Ft. Detrick. We prepared, or prepped, as ye wish. We thrive. You must learn, be aware, and a lot less selfish and ignorant. So say we, in the Kingdom of Jarvis IV. Snidely Whiplash/Simon Bar Sinister/Scott Sedgley, et.al. should come to their senses. HRM King Jarvis IV

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Supplemental I - 3. Public Comment

From: Kathleen Yeend

 From:
 Steve Potter

 To:
 Clerk

 Cc:
 Julie Lucido

Subject: FW: Bicycle Coalition request for Slow Streets

Date: Monday, June 1, 2020 5:04:16 PM

From: "K. D. Yeend"

Subject: Bicycle Coalition request for Slow Streets

Date: June 1, 2020 at 3:01:31 PM PDT

To: "jtechel@cityofnapa.org" <jtechel@cityofnapa.org>, "mluros@cityofnapa.org" <mluros@cityofnapa.org>, "lalessio@cityofnapa.org" <lalessio@cityofnapa.org>, "seedgley@cityofnapa.org" <seedgley@cityofnapa.org>, "dgentry@cityofnapa.org"

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Kathleen D. Yeend

June 1, 2020

Napa City Council

Dear Council Members:

I recently read a story in the Napa Valley Register about the Napa County Bicycle Coalition making a formal request to have a Slow Streets program which would entail closing certain streets to through traffic. One of the streets mentioned was Vine Hill Drive.

The Bicycle Coalition's arguments in favor of their proposal were based on some faulty assumptions:

- 1. The increased bicycle use which has occurred during the shelter in place represents what the increased bike use will be as we open up. Many of us have used bikes because we have the time to do it and it is a way to get out of the house. When people return to work, the use most likely not be anywhere near the 88% increase they touted. Most people will not have the time to use bicycles as they do now. A more fair assessment would be after things return to normal and to then assess the true bike use.
- 2. They claimed that our parks are so busy that we need more space to safely recreate and keep appropriate distance. I can tell you from my personal observation the parks near our home are not busy at all. Sunday afternoon, Vine Hill Park had a total of 8 people in it—2 groups of 3 and one group of 2. I don't think we need to close parts of Vine Hill Drive to create more space! I also frequently pass Las Flores Park, the open area between Linda Vista and Maher, and Klamath Park and have only very

rarely seen more that 2 or 3 people there and often no one.

It is perfectly understandable that the Slow Streets idea works well in areas like San Francisco and Oakland because the parks there are surrounded by large apartment buildings and the population density is much greater than in Napa.

I urge you to please, please do not take this step without proper investigation of the need. Perhaps asking the people of Napa what they want would be helpful. Perhaps assessing whether the parks are really crowded would be helpful. Cyclists everywhere are pushing to get more and more space. I understand that sometimes it is necessary, but Napa is not a place where we need to close streets to accommodate bicycles. There is plenty of room for walkers, runners, cyclists and cars to coexist.

Thank you Kathleen D. Yeend