

Citizen Comments for the
April 13, 2021 Joint County/City
Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing

The following Citizen Comments were received for

Item 1-2 - Transmittal Hearing on LMA202103 (Aenon Church Road)
(County Action Only)

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Item 1-2 - Transmittal Hearing on LMA202103 (Aenon Church Road) (County Action Only)	Name: Max Epstein
Lobbyist: No	Address: 1001 San Luis Rd
	Date Submitted: 4/12/2021 7:12:00 PM

Just say no. How this could be recommended for approval is beyond me. It goes against our comp plan.

This land is located next to a residential neighborhood, filled with homesteads and is majority minority. There are also significant environmental features on the parcels.

No. No, no, no, no, no, no, no.

Just say no.

Sincerely,
Max

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Item 1-2 - Transmittal Hearing on LMA202103 (Aenon Church Road) (County Action Only)	Name: Terry Ryan
Lobbyist: No	Address: 2538 Stonegate Dr
	Date Submitted: 4/8/2021 5:29:00 PM

In regard to the above proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment, specifically, the Aenon Church Road proposal to allow a mining operation, please be advised that we, the Wakulla Basin Advocacy Group aka Tallahassee Sewage Advocacy Group, wish you to REJECT this proposal.

First, based on environmental concerns, including at least potential impacts on the aquifer from untreated water entering a lake, an active sinkhole already identified by staff on the subject site, numerous existing sink holes both north and south of the proposed mining operation, and topography of the land within the property and adjacent land leading down to the existing active sink hole, we feel this proposal would be detrimental to the environment.

Secondly, this proposal is adjacent to a well established subdivision consisting of over 100 minority homes, whose residents are very adamant they do now wish to see a mining operation. Please refer to written comments they have already provided. Specifically, they have negatively experienced another mining operation across Aenon Church Road for many years, experiencing noise, obnoxious odors, and dust. We and residents have reviewed staff recommendations for barriers and find they are totally unrealistic in preventing the same noise, odors and dust. Mining operations consist of very large and heavy equipment which due to a much closer proximity to residents homes will be even more detrimental to residents than currently experienced with other mining operations.

Again, please REJECT this proposal.

Best Regards,

J. Terry Ryan- Co-founder of Residents of Centerville Road Group -GROUP CO-ORDINATOR

-Co-Founder of Wakulla Basin Advocacy Group fka Tallahassee Sewage Advocacy Group

-Wakulla Springs Alliance – Board Member

-Leon County Water Resource Committee – Member

John Outland – Retired Executive with FDEP

Dr. Sean McGlynn – McGlynn Labs

Anthony Guido-Retired Sewer and Septic Contractor and Consultant

Max Epstein – Local Environmental Activist

Nick Contos – Retired FDEP – Contamination Concerns

Douglas Barr, Executive Director, Northwest Florida Water Management District, 1992-2012.

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The following Citizen Comments were received for
Item 2 - Consultant Services for the Land Use and Mobility Elements

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Item 2 - Consultant Services for the Land Use and Mobility Elements	Name: Mike Brezin
Lobbyist: No	Address: 1401 N. Randolph Circle
	Date Submitted: 4/12/2021 9:44:00 AM

Commissioners:

Re: March 23 City Commission/Board of County Commissioners Workshop on a Request for Proposals for Consultant Services to Rewrite of Comprehensive Plan Land Use and Mobility

Thank you for your discussion on this item, which clarified a number of questions regarding the proposed RFP. We support moving ahead with the RFP and think that a clear understanding of the Commissions' position on key issues will be critical to staff, the public, and the consultant as the Comprehensive Plan rewrite moves forward. In that vein, this is our understanding of the direction the commissions took at the workshop, and that will be ratified at the April 13 public hearing. If we have misunderstood anything, please let us know.

Public Comment on the RFP: In order to ensure that the public has a full opportunity to comment, both commissions delayed taking a final vote on issuing an RFP until the next joint meeting – a public hearing on April 13.

Protection of Intown Neighborhoods: The City Commission expressed its support for the protection of the character of intown neighborhoods. In response to questions from the Commissions, staff stated that the draft future land use map contained in the agenda material was **not** intended to propose an increase in the density allowed in intown neighborhoods.

Potential Land Use Changes: In response to questions from the Commissions, staff confirmed that the draft rewrite of the Land Use and Mobility elements is for informational purposes only and is **not** intended to direct the approach the consultant may recommend. It will not be included in the RFP package.

Environmental Protection: In response to questions from the Commissions, staff confirmed that, consistent with the current Comp Plan policy, any proposed changes to the Land Use and Mobility elements must be consistent with the Conservation element.

Public Involvement: The Commissions, after extensive discussion about ensuring meaningful public involvement, directed staff to include a public involvement plan in the April 13 agenda material.

Data and Analysis: In response to questions from the Commissions, staff confirmed that the rewrite will be based on both citizen input and data and analysis.

Engaging University Students: The Commissioners stated that the Comp Plan rewrite is an excellent learning opportunity and that staff should reach out to FSU and FAMU to engage students in the process beyond typical internships.

Thank you again for your thorough response to the questions raised by the public.

Sincerely,

Mike Brezin

Wendy Grey

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Item 2 - Consultant Services for the Land Use and Mobility Elements	Name: Lucia Sommer
Lobbyist: No	Address: 1611 Milton Street
	Date Submitted: 4/12/2021 2:15:00 PM

Dear Commissioners,

The public must be included from the beginning of the process, including the decision of which consultant to hire. Then, there must be REAL community engagement with full transparency about any changes to the Land Use and Mobility Element.

My husband and I attended the meetings conducted by the planning department and these were NOT sufficient for community input.

Discussing transportation in the abstract is NOT the same as discussing removing the Residential Preservation protections for our neighborhoods. If Planning believes they can remove our RP zoning, they are in for a big surprise.

Sincerely,

Lucia Sommer