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To: [Oliver Orjiako](#)
Cc: [Sonja Wiser](#); [Cnty 2025 Comp Plan](#); [Jacqui Kamp](#); [Jenna Kay](#); [Jose Alvarez](#); [Bart Catching](#)
Subject: Re: Comments on draft PPP
Date: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 8:40:48 AM

Good morning, Oliver and All,

Wow! That was a prompt response!

I've gotten myself involved on too many boards but I plan to follow closely this update process. As you know, I'm very involved in the League of Women Voters of Clark County and we are making this a priority. We have some ideas to help draw the public's attention to key decisions but if you find ways we can be of assistance, we'd love to hear from you.

Oliver, I really appreciated your presentation to the Planning Commission. It was clear, concise and honest. Thanks for that.

We'll be in touch along the way,

Judie

Oh! I forgot to mention that, after I sent my comments to the comp.plan@clark.wa.gov address, I received this auto reply:

From: Cnty 2025 Comp Plan <comp.plan@clark.wa.gov>
Subject: Automatic reply: Comments on draft PPP
Date: February 8, 2023 at 8:14:47 AM PST
To: Judie Stanton <judiestanton@comcast.net>

Our 2016 Comp Plan inbox is now closed for comments. You can submit questions or comments using the following email address:

communityplanning@clark.wa.gov

Oops!

On Feb 8, 2023, at 8:32 AM, Oliver Orjiako <Oliver.Orjiako@clark.wa.gov> wrote:

Good morning Commissioner:

I hope you are doing well. Thank you very much for your great suggestions. We will incorporate your suggestions as the county proceeds. Thanks.

Best Regards,

Oliver

From: Sonja Wiser <Sonja.Wiser@clark.wa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 8:18 AM
To: Judie Stanton <judiestanton@comcast.net>; Cnty 2025 Comp Plan <comp.plan@clark.wa.gov>
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Subject: RE: Comments on draft PPP

Good morning Judie: Thank you for your comments related to the 2025 Comp Plan/Draft PPP. Your comments have been forwarded to staff and will be added to the 2025 Comp Plan Index of Record. Your name and email will also be added to our database to receive future communications related to the 2025 Comp Plan. Thanks again.

From: Judie Stanton <judiestanton@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 8:14 AM
To: Cnty 2025 Comp Plan <comp.plan@clark.wa.gov>
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Greetings,

In total, the draft plan for public participation looks to be quite comprehensive. The addition of providing interpretation and making a concerted effort to reach audiences who may not have been involved with governmental decision-making in the past, is laudable.

One audience that I wish got more than a one-word mention in the ten page plan is our youth. That's who we're really doing planning for. What types of jobs, housing, natural spaces, even dog parks, would they want to find here when they start adulting in a few years? The county has a Youth Commission with representation from throughout the county. Perhaps they could help with distributing surveys on livability to those in their schools, communities and social media. You could also encourage *families* to attend open houses and other public meetings together and provide a means of collecting input from the younger set.

Producing information is the easy part. Engagement, as busy as people are these days,

is difficult. The Comp Plan is big, complex, and full of acronyms and government-speak and that complexity makes it difficult for people to recognize that the plan, and the changes being proposed, could significantly impact them and their children. As a result, they don't realize they should be involved or, if they do, their involvement comes too late.

The more the big pieces are broken down and delivered where residents are, the better. I see a lot of chatter on NextDoor and believe that is a good means of reaching people. Expecting busy people to come to the county's website, show up at a meeting or even access the county's social media, is not going to be adequate. Quick and easy surveys are a great tool.

Neighborhood Associations should play a big role. Special meetings to brief the NA presidents and help them understand their importance in reaching out to their members at key intervals could be very valuable. Some presidents do a better job than others in communicating. Even though my NA has been "disassociated" by the county, our former president sent out the information about commenting on the draft PPP. A special invitation to all NA presidents to attend an online briefing could help to engage them. The presentation Oliver gave to the Planning Commission would be perfect.

You're not going to get half a million residents to participate but I certainly hope that more than the "hundreds" that Ms. Cook proudly mentioned (in the meeting on January 19) will contribute their ideas and thoughts.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment.

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