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Hello,

Please see the below comments. Thank you!



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Dear Councilors,
PUBLIC RECORD

FOR THE

August 23, 2023

Clark County Citizens United, Inc. believes the Council needs to think very seriously about changing the zoning to allow for increasing the ability for people to live in the rural and resource areas, in the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update. With those lands shut down from housing development, and the over-pricing of rent and home ownership in urban areas, the county is gaining nothing, but increased homelessness, throughout the county. Making more high rise apartments or condos in the cities, won't solve the problem. Only allowing people to live where they can afford and where they want to live, will solve the problem.

It is clear, since 1994, Clark County has gone deeper and deeper into a homelessness crisis. What is being done by planners is not working. The councilors are indebted to creating safe and plentiful housing for all walks of life, throughout the county. But, what is happening has failed. Rural and resource people are being forced onto the streets, because they don't want to live in a city environment. This video is striking, and you must ask the question, is this where we are headed?

Sincerely,

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