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Dear Dr. Melnick,

I see there are differing views of the facts regarding the formal adoption of the two reports, "Growing Healthier," and "Aging Readiness." I have listened to all the pertinent recordings. Would you be so kind as to forward me the language in the hearing so that I may understand your view? I am unable to find where the reports were formally adopted into the Countywide Framework Plan as policies. The following are the facts that I see.

During the BOCC work session with the planners held 7/15/2015, there was consensus to not include the "Growing Healthier" and "Aging Readiness" reports in this comprehensive plan update.

This is clearly stated several times throughout the audio version of the hearing. I also attended this work session. It is evident that thoughtful deliberation took place and each councilor eloquently stated her or his reasons for voting against including the reports in this comprehensive plan update.

Recorded at #57.06; Commissioner Jeanne Stewart asks Gordy Euler, "They won't be discussing this item at all, is that correct?" (meaning before the Planning Commission)

Recorded at #57.11; Gordy Euler responds to Councilor Stewart's question; "Not interested in proceeding with this."

During a 6/5/2012 BOCC public hearing, deliberation ensued over the adoption of the "Growing Healthier" report. At this time, Commissioner Steve Stuart moved to approve the report as amended, "working to weave the goals, policies, and objectives into the plan."

Chairman Boldt, hearing of 6/5/2012, intentionally chooses his words and says; "Approve to move forward, not adopting." "Moving it forward to other processes." The motion passed unanimously. It was not intended as a stand alone document. Chairman Boldt clearly says, "not adopting."

At the BOCC work session of 7/15/2015, Christine Cook comments that it is this Board's prerogative as policy makers to make their intent. A well-informed and competent staff should be striving to advance this Board's policies, not diminish the work of the sitting BOCC and empower the work of previous boards. This is an important issue that demands attention.

It is apparent the Clark County Health Department has become active in local land use issues. The land use forum, hosted by the department this past summer, was well attended and included Tim Trohimovich from Futurwise as the keynote speaker. If a public agency is sponsoring an event as this, it is good public policy to present a broad perspective of the community. The land use forum was not designed using best practices to ensure open, fair, diverse and balanced views. It was designed to promote an agenda.

Thank you for your attention,  
Susan Rasmussen for  
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