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Good Morning,

I was on your website and see that the next meeting to discuss the 20 year plan is scheduled for Saturday, July 18th. However it did not say what time and how to sign up to speak at the virtual meeting. Will this information be on your website soon? My husband, daughter and I have several questions/concerns that we wanted to send prior to the meeting so council members have time to gather information to respond during the meeting:

1. One of our main concerns is the current lack of sidewalks going from Burns Rd and Broadmoore down to Dent and Kohler Roads. As you know two schools are scheduled to open this fall which will result in students walking home after school or even later after sports practices and other after school activities. Many families live in the developments off of both Dent and Kohler Roads but there are no sidewalks for these students to safely walk home. As a former middle school principal my school faced a similar problem as students were often walking in the middle of the road due to the lack of a side walk. I trust the council members have driven around these areas of development and understand our concern. Especially when walking west on Burns from Broadmoore where there is a steep hill and basically no edge to walk safely out of the traffic lanes. Likewise there are no sidewalks on Dent resulting in folks walking in the road. I witness this on many evenings as neighbors are out for an evening walk but must walk in the road due to a lack of sidewalks. Is there a plan to resolve this safety issue?

2. We would also like to see more parks and walking trails as the city expands out into the rural areas. We have lived at our current residence for 40 years and as the growth has moved north areas to safely walk and enjoy nature have decreased. There are several areas that are a natural fit for such trails but I assume the city must designate them as such to keep houses from taking over these areas? Will the council be speaking about the number and types of parks to be included in the plan? Whose responsibility is it to see that these plans come to fruition?

3. Th current plans talks about keeping developments aesthetically pleasing but our concern is that most of the recent developments look like clones of each other due to the large brown brick fences surrounding them. When some of the first developments-Quail Run, Pelican Point-were developed they did not have to put up fences leaving the beauty of open space. Driving north and south on Dent Rd is like driving through a brown brick tunnel. Is the fencing requirement a decision of the property developer or can the council set standards for fencing types or no fencing at all?

4. We agree with the idea of walking communities but wonder who will be setting the codes for these communities. Will it be a decision of the property developer, the council or combined decision?

5. What is mixed-use property on River Shore Drive and Burns Rd. defined as?

Thank you for you commitment to making Pasco a beautiful, vibrant and safe community.

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