

## Brooke, Sheryl

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**From:** Nicole Kowalski <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2019 12:37 AM  
**To:** Wooldredge, William  
**Cc:** Laura Jones; creehan@roadrunner.com; Liz Murphy; Michael Coburn; Bob Bellin; Deb&Tom; Sue Carter; George Roth; Bill Currin; Bob Drew; Hal DeSaussure; Jim Cowan  
**Subject:** Re: Save Our City

See  
attached.



Beth Bigham: Hudson...

**Beth Ann Hanan Bigham**

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Near the end of the tonight's workshop council President and the other at-large councilors pressed for an immediate decision and referral to be made on one of the 2 Testa plans to be referred to Planning Commission. The majority decided on Option #1. It was 10pm by then and having just had questions answered and receiving new information about the individual plans, I preferred to 'sleep on it' and digest the information and consider the implications of what had learned tonight. That was not given any consideration. So, option 1 moved forward for Planning Commission to consider. Council and staff say "not to worry" it can still be changed..."lots of time for that." Option 1 and 2 differences center around Block C: 3 story vs 2 story and condo flats vs no condo flats. Good night Ward 4 and beyond:)



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I tend to agree with Bill W. that we are currently in a PR war that we are losing.

Reality is skewed, facts don't matter, and people don't care to learn the truth.

The problem is that humans are gluttons for punishment and misery. We love to complain, we need to have someone to blame. Heck, that's what I'm doing now by attaching this screen shot.

We've learned that directly engaging with them is useless. We know that most of what they say is just silliness, but, at the very least, we need to help keep Basil and Radigan. So how do we do it?

Kill 'em with kindness and sunshine (not literally, obviously). That's the only thing we haven't tried yet.

Calling out their lies didn't work. Stating facts didn't work. Following the "rules" didn't work. And now, it's obvious that doing nothing and not engaging DIDN'T WORK!

I truly think we need to start at least with a positive LTE campaign, that is not reactive, not driven by their rhetoric.

Nikki

On Jul 9, 2019, at 3:24 PM, Wooldredge, William <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Joe, I'll be out of town. Two thoughts: 1) we are in a Public Relations battle and so far we are not winning and 2) the Ward races this fall are critical . Bill

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 9, 2019, at 3:18 PM, Laura Jones <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I can, too

On Jul 9, 2019, at 3:18 PM, Nicole Kowalski <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I can attend

Nikki

On Jul 9, 2019, at 2:32 PM, Joe Creehan <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Let's get together for a meeting Monday evening.

Who can be there?

I'll work on finding a location

Joe

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On Jul 9, 2019, at 1:37 PM, Liz Murphy <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I am out of town. Cant come to meeti g  
Liz

On Tue, Jul 9, 2019, 11:18 AM Michael  
Coburn

<[REDACTED]> wrote:

Agree with George, Nicole, Bob  
et al. Support council, stay  
engaged.

When they did the listening  
sessions, they recorded  
suggestions. Do you know how  
silly I felt saying keep it just as it  
is? The support for the project  
would not come through from  
the listening sessions, just the  
dissent.

Enjoy the journey,

Michael Coburn  
mobile 330 472-2507

On Tuesday, July 9, 2019, 11:11:52  
AM EDT, Bob Bellin

<[REDACTED]> wrote:

My gut is to let it go for now. Let  
council do what it feels is best and  
focus on campaigns this fall as  
needed. Fighting this publicly  
lends the recall effort more  
credibility and legitimacy that its  
actual support level warrants.  
There is no way that they get  
enough signatures for a recall and  
none of the at large seats come  
up for two years.

Bob

**Bob Bellin**  
330.554.9696

On Tue, Jul 9, 2019 at 10:51 AM Nicole  
Kowalski <[REDACTED]>  
wrote:

I've been thinking about it. Maybe a  
small letter to the editor campaign  
might help. I think we avoid

responding in any way to the Oberts/Hudson's Voice people.

Maybe our letters focus on things like reminding people of Beth and Alex's voting record up until this point, reminding people that Hal had been staunchly pro-phase II this WHOLE time and he has a voting record to match, reminding people of all of the work that went into this years ago (can we get someone from planning commission to write this?), maybe we get someone from each board/comission who has worked on this project to write a letter?

I think we should focus on positivity, reminding people that Hudson did the work and put in the time, and we are not going into this blindly.

On Tue, Jul 9, 2019 at 8:56 AM  
Wooldredge, William

<[REDACTED]>

wrote:

You all might want to come to tonight's meeting. Bill

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On Jul 9, 2019, at 7:07 AM, Liz

Murphy <[REDACTED]>

wrote:

Very well put nikki.  
Critical for current  
council to act(and us  
to support them) or  
the election is simply  
going to be about  
phase 2.  
Liz

On Mon, Jul 8, 2019,  
9:36 PM Nicole  
Kowalski

<[REDACTED]>  
[REDACTED] wrote:

I agree, I like this  
response written by  
Tom.

Here is my two  
cents: We're  
repeating our past  
mistakes. We are  
bringing a knife to  
a gun fight. Jessie

and Ken Obert are not standing down, and multiple times today Ken Obert either alluded to or outright said they have plans to recall one or more at-large Councilman.

We are not going to win this, so why fight? It is simply up to Council to do what is best, and do it now. Then, our job is to back them up and try to mitigate the damage.

If we keep exchanging words, the pro-Council, pro-city, and pro-Phase II side just looks argumentative, wasting our breath, and doing no good.

I believe we need to wait, see what happens, and just try our best to defend the Council members who are making these tough decisions in the meantime.

Nikki

On Mon, Jul 8,  
2019 at 9:18 PM  
Wooldredge,  
William

<[REDACTED]>  
> wrote:  
Like it or not, the flames are already well fanned and burning brightly.  
Bill

Sent from my  
iPhone