

I live in a small community of single-story homes. Property adjoining us is zoned single family. We were shocked that the **County of Sarasota** conditionally awarded \$11.2M to One Stop Housing for 4-story buildings, 135 units on land owned by the **Mayor of Venice** and his family, the Pachota's (owners of Sharky's and Fin's). What???? It is affordable housing which I do not object to but seems to me that we now have a glut of affordable housing around Venice with multiple months free rent as incentives. Why not build tiny houses with lease/purchase to help people become homeowners? Not profitable enough? The surrounding Communities are all single storied homes. The proposed buildings would loom over houses, severely diminish value, and seriously affect our quality of life. I worry about flooding, density, noise, light, traffic since there is only access through a small, dead-end street. It is too dense and too tall for this location. This is happening all over Sarasota County. Say the magic words and the zoning rules go away. Shouldn't new housing blend in with surrounding neighborhoods? As home owners, tax payers and constituents our voices are not as loud as more powerful people in our community.

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