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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL CONCERNED PARTIES

FROM: CURT KODL, SENIOR PLANNER

SUBJECT: 2024 UPDATE TO THE TOWN OF VIENNA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

DATE: 8/11/2025

The Town of Vienna Board has initiated an update to the Town Comprehensive Plan, originally adopted in 2006 and amended in 2012. This effort was undertaken to ensure continued compliance with state planning requirements.

From the outset of the current planning process, the Town of Vienna Plan Commission did not intend to pursue substantial changes to the existing plan. The primary objective was to meet the statutory obligation to complete a 10-year update while maintaining the current policy framework.

Since mid-2023, the Plan Commission convened monthly to evaluate and refine the plan's goals, objectives, and policies. As each chapter of the updated plan was completed, it was submitted to the Town Board for review and comment.

As the update process neared completion, the Town received a formal request to incorporate the "QTS Proposal" for a large-scale data center into the plan. After careful consideration, the Plan Commission and Town Board decided to complete the 10-year plan update and to take up QTS's request separately. If there is support for doing so, this means the Plan Commission and Board would need to pursue a separate, subsequent amendment. It's important to note that simply choosing to engage in a planning process does not guarantee a particular outcome for the QTS or any other land use proposal. Should the town choose to move forward, the same statutory process will apply and include ample opportunity for public input.

Best,

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