

Rivera, Eva

From: Martin, Trevor
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2026 8:48 AM
To: Rivera, Eva
Subject: FW: comments for tomorrow's meeting

Good morning Eva,

Can you please add to comments folder?

Thank you,
Trevor

From: Kris Hunziker <hunzykris@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 10:54 PM
To: Martin, Trevor <Trevor.Martin@yakimawa.gov>
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I would attend in person if I could, but I will be working, seeing clients. I work as a therapist.

I support the changes that will be brought up as suggested changes to Yakima's policy on large data centers. I totally agree that data center provider companies/corporations MUST pay all development costs with NO subsidies, and that they are also responsible for ensuring that they don't pull so much power from the grid that the rest of us do not have what we need. I notice in the suggested changes there are no references to noise. I want to add that NO DATA CENTER can be allowed to cause noise and light pollution to our residents. In addition, there must be restrictions on how much water they can pull. We NEED our water for our agriculture. That has to be the bottom line.

I also want to comment that the City needs to stop avoiding take proper care of our residents. Bike lanes, pedestrian walkways, cooling centers, tree plantings and other measures that impact quality of life here in Yakima need to be important! This should be seen as common sense. I do not understand why the City does not want to address these needs. My office is just up the street from downtown Yakima on Yakima Avenue. I, myself, a renter, not even a building owner, have planted small trees and other greenery to support cooling in the downtown Yakima area. This needs to be something the City prioritizes. I am not even a business owner, but I care about the many people who walk up and down Yakima Ave getting to and from work, their homes, taking their dogs for walks, their children out for evening walks. Why the City doesn't value this, makes no sense to me. It costs next to nothing to plant some greenery. Honestly, the small trees I planted were volunteers! That means they grow readily around here. They cost NOTHING to plant. Their care is minimal. Watering three times a week.

I ask the City to do better. It seems to me that they have politicized caring about our built environment and turned it into some kind of black and white polarized thinking rather than simply caring about our city and its residents.

Kristi Hunziker, LICSW

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