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To: [Neal Toft](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Demand Local-Controlled Housing in Sausalito
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Dear Sausalito City Council Members,

Stop the encroachment on our public parks! As a **concerned citizen**, a constituent of Sausalito, and homeowner at Whiskey Springs, I urge you to pause on offering up any portion of MLK park. I am a concerned **about** Sausalito's current housing plans. New housing is being pushed to the northern tip — including low-income units in a public park—while vacant lots and office buildings remain unused. This includes many areas along the waterway on the other side of Bridgeway.

I urge you to:

- Remove MLK as an opportunity site.
- Revise city ordinances (particularly Ordinance 1022) to reinstate local building control rather than being locked into a closed-door plan created exclusively for state and HCD requirements.

MLK was created by the City, with the support of voters, to be enjoyed as a park - not a housing development. Aside from the impact on resources, and the already challenging evacuation routes we face with limited routes, please do not overlook **the positive impact that parks make on the mental health of residents**. We are already so crammed together, having open space is important for the mental health of adults and kids alike.

Many of us ask WHY are the housing element "opportunity sites" being pushed to Northern Sausalito when there are other spaces to be considered? Also, why would you allow such a surplus of numbers to be submitted (+900) when in fact Sausalito is "only" required to offer up 724 units. We ask you to remove MLK park from your list.

Please save MLK park from future development and protect our open spaces. We are counting on you to look out for us, and for generations to come.

Thank you for your dedication.

Sincerely,
Beth Bachrach