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Cc: [City Council](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item 1B: Please Focus Housing on Empty Spaces
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Dear City Council Members,

I'm writing to encourage you to approve the current housing element to avoid triggering the builder's remedy. Please also find ways to replace these sites in the future with locations that better align with our community's needs.

With vacant lots and open office buildings, the Marinship area is perfect for this. These sites offer significant potential for development that is more compatible with smart urban planning while still maintaining what is so special about the Marinship. Please also revisit and update our city's outdated regulations like Ordinance 1022—originally designed in the 1980s to restrict office development—which now limit our ability to put housing in these more suitable areas.

Please make a thoughtful decision that will lead to responsible growth while preserving our community spaces.

Thank you -
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