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

I urge you to approve the current housing element to avoid triggering the builder's remedy. While it may not be perfect, it is the best option to allow us to explore replacing these sites in the future with locations that better fit our community's needs.

It is also time to reconsider outdated regulations such as Ordinance 1022—originally designed in the 1980s to restrict office development—which now limit our ability to put housing in areas such as the Marinship. With its numerous vacant lots, dilapidated storage areas and unfilled office buildings, the Marinship offers significant potential for smart urban planning.

I truly appreciate the consideration and care you are taking with this issue and hope your decisions about it will foster responsible growth while preserving our cherished community spaces.

Thank you for your consideration.

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