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Cc: [City Council](#); [City Clerk](#); [Shelby Van Meter](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Housing Element Decisions - Tuesday's Council Meeting
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Dear Mayor Cox and Council Members,

I urge you to do the right thing and prioritize the building of housing in under-utilized and empty lots, including in certain Marinship locations. This can be done by being judicious in site selection. It can be done without jeopardizing marine-oriented light industries and artist/artisan use. It can be done in a manner that prevents future housing creep. This makes far more sense than putting housing in parks and historic districts and more fairly spreads housing throughout the City.

I also urge you to repeal outdated ordinances, including Ordinance 1022, which hinders consideration of housing on vacant lots. Please, too, approve the current Housing Element so the onerous "builder's remedy" isn't an option. Sausalito must step up and take control of its future.

Thank you for doing the right thing.

Most Sincerely,

Shelby Van Meter
50-Year Resident