From: Marsha Armitage-Bristow
To: Neal Toft
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Concern for CA Housing Element Proposal for Northern Sausalito
Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024 1:33:55 PM
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Thank you for your prompt response Neal. Th updated report does not alter my thinking. The proposed development areas are mostly in Northern Sausalito. There are many long unoccupied commercial buildings here. The old theater lays empty and many office buildings along Bridgeway languish. I would support repurposing them for residential use, not destroying the only park we have. It would create bigger problems any way you slice it. I have added a comment to my original email. Please use it as is.
Thanks you
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> On Sep 22, 2024, at 12:41 PM, Neal Toft <ntoft@sausalito.gov> wrote:
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> The approved Housing Element targets a realistic capacity of 80 units and the proposed amendments under consideration increase that target to 94 units for the MLK site. The remainder of the housing opportunity sites are spread throughout the community and can be viewed in the amended Draft Background Report here: https://www.sausalito.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/33609/638602584024400000
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> Let me know if you would like to revise your comments or I should post them as stated.
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> Sincerely,
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Hello Neal: I am a long time resident of northern Sausalito and I have grave concerns regarding the proposed new residential units in MLK park. This area is already stressed in terms of street parking, sewers and traffic.

I was one of the residents that kicked in to fund the purchase of Sausalito Open Space in order to save it from a proposed 150 unit residential project that would have decimated a wild life habitat and created unimaginable congestion in a very small area. This new project proposal will exacerbate the congestion to an unrealistic degree.

This project has been thrown around various areas of Sausalito for years and it seems to me that a measured approach of dispersing housing more evenly throughout Sausalito made more sense. We have hardly any land left here. Targeting a school parking lot and playing field which is used widely by the entire Sausalito community and the school is insensitive to our needs. I just passed there today and the field was teaming with multiple soccer games and children playing. This is what the fabric of community is all about. As taxpayers we should have the right to open parks. This is the only one we have!

The proposed development areas are dispropotionatly in northern Sausalito. There are many long unoccupied commercial buildings here. As and example the old theater on Caledonia lays empty and many office buildings along Bridgeway languish. I would support repurposing these buildings for residential use, not destroying the only park we have.

I drive down Lincoln, Olema and Colma every day. The streets are so narrow that I always have to stop and wait for an oncoming car to pass a parked car before proceeding. I can not imagine how impossible that would be if the proposed structure came to fruition. We live in a high fire area. I have had two fires directly behind my house already and now have California Fair Plan as

my only insurance option. How does adding more residents help our situation? In case of a fire evacuation routes would become deadly traffic jams should these residential units be added. This project proposal is insensitive to all residents and needs to be re-evaluated. It would ultimately cause more problems than it will cure.

Sincerely,

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