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Public Comment - Rohrer

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**From:** Kathryn Lohmeyer Rohrer <lohrohrer@gmail.com>  
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I pre-registered to speak on item 4. It looks like this will no be addressed at 2:30.

I need to leave my desk at 2:20 to get our daughter from school and take her to her horseback riding. There is no wifi at the barn where she rides, so I will not be able to get back on Zoom.

I have very limited cell service (we are in the Santa Ynez Valley), but if I can get some cell service, is there a number I can call into and join the meeting -- both hear what is being said and comment?

When I registered to speak, I provided my landline 805-691-9236, but I will not be at that phone number after 2:20.

After 2:30/2:35, I will try to call in from my cell phone 563-673-6444.

If I am not able to get a call through, is it possible to just have this brief comment read into the record?

Kathryn Rohrer. I live in the Santa Ynez Valley and want to speak just briefly on the matter of the suggested criteria the Board might employ to guide its identification of parcels for rezoning.

My concern is that the suggestions seem to miss the mark in terms of criteria that will work legally -- in terms of zoning and CEQA. The list of proposed criteria actually appears to be a list of *desired outcomes* and fails to take into consideration the *feasibility* of re-zoning site or sites. As a result, I ask that the Board consider that criteria used to identify parcels for rezoning as part of the RiNHA need to consider things like:

- Availability of water and sewer service: Are water and sewer service already available, or are they readily expandible to serve the parcel(s)?
- Proximity to public transit (and possibly bike lanes)
- Ability to design the building(s) in terms of height, mass, and style of have the least possible negative impact on neighbors, e.g., shadows, privacy
- Capacity of the community's existing elementary school to absorb more students

You get the idea.

My concern is that the proposals listed in the write-up provided to the Board reflect a strong bias for a "results-driven analysis" mindset, and I encourage the Board to ensure that the selection criteria be grounded in sound land use principles.

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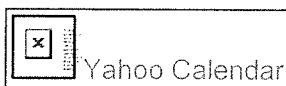
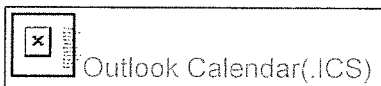
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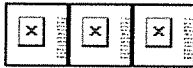
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