# Sarah Mayer Public Comment-Habitat for Humanit



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Subject: May 3 BOS Meeting Public Comments - In Support of Rezoning Glen Annie (80

signatures)

Attachments: Habitat Glen Annie Support Letter Signatures.pdf; Homeowner Support Letter 1.pdf;

Homeowner Support Letter 2 .pdf; Homeowner Support Letter 3.pdf

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Dear Clerk or the Board,

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment on the BOS Special Meeting on the Housing Element Rezone. Attached are four letters in support of the rezone of the Glen Annie Golf Course. The first letter includes a list of 80 community member signatories who are in support of Glen Annie rezone. The subsequent three letters are from Habitat for Humanity Homeowners in the County who are expressing their support of the Glen Annie rezone. Thank you so much.

Best,

Amanda Cobb (she/her) | Community Engagement Coordinator
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**Subject:** Housing Element Update Proposed Rezones

Date: May 2nd, 2024

Dear Chair Lavagnino and Members of the Board,

Habitat for Humanity of Southern Santa Barbara County (Habitat Santa Barbara) along with the signatories listed below, are writing in support of the rezoning of the Glen Annie Golf Course site to allow for housing and accompanying recreation to be developed, with a range of housing types for multiple income levels, including 100% affordable Habitat for Humanity homes.

We urge the County Board of Supervisors to take seriously the current housing shortage and acknowledge the urgent need for more housing for individuals and families in order to protect our community's ability to hire workers, allow people to live where they work, and allow families to put down roots where their children can grow and thrive.

We urge the County Supervisors to vote yes on rezoning Glen Annie to enable housing to be built and thank you for taking this important step on the road to ensuring safe and stable housing for everyone.

Sincerely,

Jessica Wishan De L'Arbe, CEO

#### Signed:

### District 1

- 1. Albert Vasquez, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 2. Alejandra Lepez, City of Carpinteria, District 1
- 3. Amanda Zavala, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 4. Andy Barrad, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 5. Andy Young, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 6. Chris Goodrich, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 7. Debbie Castanha, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 8. Douglas Beverly, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 9. Ellen Barger, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 10. Gary Hopkins, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 11. Janet Burki, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 12. Janice M Hubbell, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 13. Janis Salin, City of Carpinteria, District 1
- 14. Jen Lemberger, City of Santa Barbara, District 1

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- 15. Kathryn Barnes, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 16. Laurel Tumbler, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 17. Lauren McKay, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 18. Linda Snook, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 19. Linda Wood, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 20. Lydia Aldana-Vasquez, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 21. Marlena Goodman, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 22. Matthew Gunner, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 23. Nancy Rapp, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 24. Nicole Wasserman, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 25. Samuel Ferguson, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 26. Sarah (Sally) Hearon, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 27. Sarah Rothschild, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 28. Sophia Roberts, City of Santa Barbara, District 1
- 29. Tony Helf, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 1
- 30. Tracy Stouffer, City of Santa Barbara, District 1

#### District 2

- 31. Amanda Cobb, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 32. April Jauregui, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 33. Ariana Bilek, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 34. Autumn Tate, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 35. Cameron Pyles, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 36. Daniel J. Mountcastle, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 37. Delia M. Stafford, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 38. Diana Trautwein, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 39. Duke Vincent Belmonte, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 40. Ethel Jean Christensen, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 41. Hannah Stepanek, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 42. Isabella Faith, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 43. Izzy Savage, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 44. James Roggero, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 45. Jean Wollenberg, City of Santa Barbara, District 2

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- of Southern Santa Barbara County
- 46. Jessica Wishan, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 47. John Renehan, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 48. Jonathan Peterson, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 49. Karen Lyons, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 50. Kat Ward, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 51. Lynn Rodriguez, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 52. Michelle Geldin, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 53. Nadia Abushanab, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 54. Natasha Cunningham, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 55. Patricia Mata, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 56. Peter Bent, City of Goleta, District 2
- 57. Philippe de L'Arbre, District 2
- 58. Phoebe Hitchman, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 59. Richard Pointer, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 60. Rosealeen Angel Hernandez, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 61. Ruby Baruth, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 62. Sabina White, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 63. Santana Vera, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 64. Sara Bazan, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 65. Stefani Canin Mullen, City of Santa Barbara, District 2
- 66. Susan Renehan, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated, District 2
- 67. Susan Solomon, City of Goleta, District 2
- 68. Timothy Wilder, City of Goleta, District 2

# District 3

69. Ann Burgard, City of Santa Barbara, District 3

# District 4

70. Annette Vait, City of Santa Barbara, District 4

## **District Not Listed**

- 71. Alexandra Hamill, City of Goleta
- 72. Catherine Cunningham, City of Lompoc

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- 73. Deborah Madrigal, City of Santa Barbara
- 74. Jalen Graham, City of Lompoc
- 75. Marco Diaz, City of Santa Barbara
- 76. Mary Stern, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated
- 77. Serena Zahler, County of Santa Barbara Unincorporated
- 78. Sergio E. Castellanos, City of Santa Barbara
- 79. Steven Moliterno, City of Santa Barbara
- 80. Wayne Smith



**Subject**: Habitat Homeowner Letter 1/3 on Housing Element Update Proposed Rezones

Date: May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for the rezoning of the Glen Annie golf course to allow for the construction of housing, including 10-15 Habitat for Humanity homes.

I became a Habitat homeowner in 2019 when me, my wife Maria, my 10 yrs old son Max & my daughter 7 yrs Sophie moved into our home. We worked alongside volunteers in the community to build our own home, and now our housing community is an integral part of the neighborhood.

Becoming a homeowner has benefitted me and my family in so many ways. I worked for SBMTD as a Bus Driver. We have been able to live near our jobs, and the stability of homeownership has given us the chance to plan for the future.

Since we've moved in we had the opportunity to start saving money and planning our kids college futures. Also the opportunity to live by ourselves.

I hope the Supervisors will allow this property to be rezoned and the project, including the Habitat homes, to move forward, so that more families like mine can benefit from this life-changing affordable housing model.

Sincerely, GABRIEL HUERTA Carpinteria Sawyer Ave.



Subject: Habitat Homeowner Letter 2/3 on Housing Element Update Proposed Rezones

Date: May 2nd, 2024

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for the rezoning of the Glen Annie golf course to allow for the construction of housing, including 10-15 Habitat for Humanity homes. I became a Habitat homeowner in 2015 when my two boys and myself moved into our home. We worked alongside volunteers in the community to build our own home and it was an empowering and uplifting experience. The hope and joy it instilled for me as a single mother is beyond description. Becoming a homeowner has benefitted me and my family in so many ways. As a single mother working as a therapist for a non-profit, the only housing I could afford was a studio that cost me almost half of my income at the time. Our Habitat home was close to the high school and it enabled my boys to have their own room and walk to school.

Having a space with a kitchen and two bedrooms created a much needed environment where they could study and achieve in school more effectively. During the time we have lived in the Habitat Condo I was able to support both of my boys in going to college. They both have graduated with Bachelor's degrees and one of my son is in graduate school. The stability of homeownership has given us the chance to build a strong foundation for the future.

Habitat for Humanity offers hope to families and gives people a chance to better themselves and their futures. I am asking the Supervisors to please allow this property to be rezoned and the project, including the Habitat homes, to move forward, so that more families like mine can benefit from this life-changing affordable housing model.

Sincerely, Sara Bazan, Cannon Perdido Property, Santa Barbara



Subject: Habitat Homeowner Letter 3/3 on Housing Element Update Proposed Rezones

Date: May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for the rezoning of the Glen Annie golf course to allow for the construction of housing, including 10-15 Habitat for Humanity homes.

I became a Habitat homeowner in 2011 when my daughter Larissa and I moved into our home. We worked alongside volunteers in the community to build our own home, and now our housing community is an integral part of the neighborhood. Becoming a homeowner has benefitted me and my family in so many ways. I work as a Psychotherapist for the Family Service Agency as well as Santa Barbara City College. We have been able to live near our jobs, and the stability of homeownership has given us the chance to plan for the future.

I began a Master's in Counseling Psychology in 2011, graduated in 2014, and, in 2019, obtained licensure as a Marriage and Family Therapist. My daughter Larissa has been active in the field of theater since the age of 9 and now is finishing up her freshman year at the renowned Syracuse University, where she is getting a Bachelor of Arts in Musical Theater. None of these accomplishments on our part would have been possible without home stability, especially in a town where living costs continue to grow year after year. It is an incredible blessing to have been able to take advantage of Habitat for Humanity's fixed monthly payments since 2011.

I hope the Supervisors will allow this property to be rezoned and the project, including the Habitat homes, to move forward, so that more families like mine can benefit from this life-changing affordable housing model.

Sincerely,

Raquel Do Carmo San Pascual Homeowner Association