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Sent:

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:25 AM

To: Subject:

sbcob Glen Annie

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I suspect the decision is all but done but have some bullet points

If you are converting why is only 10% low income housing? Do the developers not make enough? What are the actual numbers? How many units and each price for a total revenue? Approximately

What guarantee do you have on number of units? I read the La Cumbre development started with one number and after approval it was lowered.

What are the plans for expanding the roads? Have any of you driven by the high school at the beginning or end of the school day?

I don't understand why 10 minutes to the north couldn't be developed instead and save one of the two inexpensive courses for the public

From:

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Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:32 AM

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Subject:

Comment on Housing Plan

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Hello Cassidy,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed housing plan. While I understand the importance of addressing housing needs within our community, the current plan has several significant issues that need to be carefully considered and addressed.

There are a disproportionate number of residences being proposed for unincorporated Santa Barbara County and Goleta compared to Santa Barbara City and Montecito. Introducing a large number of new residences puts excessive strain on existing resources and there are insufficient plans to address these issues. The increased demand for utilities such as water and electricity is not supported by current infrastructure, not to mention concerns of wildfires and drought.

The influx of new residents would exacerbate existing traffic congestion and parking in our area. Traffic management strategies must be implemented to mitigate these issues and ensure that our roadways remain safe and efficient, though there is little space for this type of expansion. The proposal of the Glenn Annie golf course would make Cathedral Oaks a highway and highly unsafe; the traffic around our multiple shopping centers on Hollister and Calle Real is already congested with insufficient parking and cannot maintain this level of population increase in such a small area. These roads are not well-maintained as is (ex. the west-most portion of Cathedral Oaks was closed for weeks and the sections riddled with large potholes) and Goleta and Noleta have taken on the majority of these new stores and developments already.

I am also concerned about the impact of the housing plan on our local schools. Our schools and teachers are already stretched and we cannot afford to sacrifice the educational opportunities for our children. It is essential that any housing development plan includes provisions for expanding school and teacher funding and capacity to accommodate the needs of our growing population.

I urge the board to reconsider the proposed housing locations. It is crucial that any development takes into account the concerns of current residents and includes measures to mitigate the strain on utilities, address traffic congestion, and ensure adequate educational resources for our children. The housing plan needs to think of Santa Barbara County as a whole and not focus on a small portion to satisfy all new housing.

Lastly, I am a golfer and enjoy Glen Annie golf course. It's a beautiful serene space that is full of wildlife. It's important to have spaces like this in our community for people to enjoy. Adding many homes in this space and taking away recreational space will be a net loss for our community.

Thank you,

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From: Kevin Gleason <kgleason@sbunified.org>

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:29 AM

To: sbcob

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Dear County Supervisors,

I have been angry and disappointed to hear of the proposal to rezone the Glen Annie Golf Course to a residential area with the potential of building up to 1000 new homes. I have lived in this community for thirty years and have taught at Dos Pueblos High School for 25. It feels like this proposal is being rammed through with little public awareness and comment. The greed of developers is fueling this to move forward much too quickly. Please stop, ask your constituents and not just those who stand to profit from this how they feel about it, and realize that this would have a horrendous impact on the city of Goleta.

My concerns about this project are huge:

- Environmentally it would be devastating to the area. I enjoy taking my students out onto the cross country course at DP where we have seen signs of coyotes, badgers, bobcats, raccoons, and other wildlife that use the open space of the golf course and creek as a wildlife corridor. The school would have the issue of thousands of residents wanting a space to walk coming onto the open space that makes our campus special. This would be terrible for the school environment we have loved and valued over the years.
- The traffic in this area is already a disaster since the development of the Camino Real Shopping center and the newer housing projects surrounding it. These projects, along with the access to Isla Vista and the hundreds of cars going to the high school, create dense traffic with slow lights. Already there is often a dangerous situation getting off the freeway when school hours are approaching as the cars get piled up off the onramp onto the 101. I was disgusted to see that the need for a traffic survey was waived for this project to try to push it through more quickly.
- Dos Pueblos High School has been a wonderful place for the students in our community to be. It is on the edge of the neighborhoods and the kids have beautiful roads to run on for cross country and track practice. The school would suddenly be surrounded by suburban sprawl and hundreds of more cars going by.
- The beauty of Goleta is the open space. I have heard the argument for decades that the state is requiring us to build so many units by a certain date to meet housing needs. These developments usually end up in Goleta while Santa Barbara avoids most of them. I would like to see you, our County Supervisors decide to say no to development and take the state penalties for not meeting these never-ending building quotas in an effort to protect the communities and open spaces we love so much. The true value of our area is in its limited development.
- I was angered to read an article in the Newshawk that said the Santa Barbara School District is supporting these developments. Teachers and staff have never been polled or asked for feedback on these projects and our current district leadership is notorious for not building connections with our community or having any pulse on how teachers are feeling. They said there would be seven acres put aside for teacher housing. I believe low income housing models do not help people who live in a community because the caps of resale value mean that the owners never get to build equity in a community the way their neighbors do. When they decide to move, they are still forced to go to a different town and never really own a part of the town they grow to love.

Please do not allow the golf course to be rezoned. It would destroy this beautiful part of Goleta and turn it into a congested, over developed, traffic-ridden city like many in Los Angeles and Orange County. The value of our area is in its pastoral, lightly developed, natural landscape. If you truly want to improve our community, turn the Glen Annie Golf Course into an open space and leave it untouched except for a series of trails going through.

Sincerely, Kevin Gleason



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From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:52 AM

To:

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Subject:

Rezone Sites in the Coastal Zone

Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.

To the Board of Supervisors:

I urge that the sites located in the Coastal Zone that are outside the Urban/Rural Boundary be eliminated from consideration for rezoning. They are Rezone Sites 15 [Van Wingerden 1] and 16 [Van Wingerden 2], and Pending Project Site 37 [Bailard].

Doing so will better adhere to good planning principles and will eliminate likely objections from the Coastal Commission that would likely delay completion of the Housing Element Update, extending the window where further Builder's Remedy projects may come in.

Respectfully, Patricia Bryant

From: Danelle Muhr <dmuhr@sbunified.org>

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:07 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Glen Annie Golf Course Rezoning Opposition letter

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Dear County Supervisors,

I am angry and disappointed to hear of the proposal to rezone the Glen Annie Golf Course to a residential area with the potential of building up to 1000 new homes. I have lived in this community for 46 years and have taught at Dos Pueblos High School for 23. I grew up doing cartwheels next to the little league fields which is now the Camino Real marketplace. It feels like this proposal is being rammed through with little public awareness and comment. The greed of developers is fueling this to move forward much too quickly. Please stop, ask your constituents and not just those who stand to profit from this how they feel about it, and realize that this would have a horrendous impact on the city of Goleta.

My concerns about this project are huge:

- Environmentally it would be devastating to the area. The golf course and open areas around DP serve as a wildlife corridor and many animals would be negatively affected.
- The traffic in this area is already terrible since the development of the Camino Real Shopping center and the newer housing projects surrounding it. These projects, along with the access to Isla Vista and the hundreds of cars going to the high school, create dense traffic with slow lights. Already there is often a dangerous situation getting off the freeway when school hours are approaching as the cars get piled up off the onramp onto the 101.
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- The Goleta schools are already full, where would all these children attend elementary school?
- The beauty of Goleta is the open space. I have heard the argument for decades that the state is requiring us to build so many units by a certain date to meet housing needs. These developments usually end up in Goleta while Santa Barbara avoids most of them. I would like to see you, our County Supervisors decide to say no to development and take the state penalties for not meeting these never-ending building quotas in an effort to protect the communities and open spaces we love so much. The true value of our area is in its limited development.
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Sincerely, Danelle Muhr



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From: Courtney Anderson <courtneyanderson@sbunified.org>

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:27 AM

To: sbcob

Subject: Rezone Hearing

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Dear County Supervisors,

I am deeply concerned and disheartened by the proposed rezoning of the Glen Annie Golf Course to accommodate up to 1000 new homes. As a lifelong resident of Santa Barbara and an alumnus of Dos Pueblos High School, where I've been teaching for nearly a decade, this proposal feels rushed and lacking in adequate public input.

The haste with which this proposal is being pushed forward, seemingly driven by developer greed, is alarming. I urge you to pause and consider the opinions of all constituents, not just those with financial interests in the project. The ramifications of such a decision would be disastrous for the city of Goleta.

My concerns extend to several critical areas:

Firstly, the environmental impact cannot be overstated. The Glen Annie Golf Course serves as a vital wildlife corridor, supporting diverse species such as coyotes, deer, bobcats, and raccoons. It's distressing to envision the loss of this natural habitat and the disruption it would cause to the delicate balance of our ecosystem.

Furthermore, the proposed development would exacerbate the already dire traffic situation in the area. The congestion near the Glenn Annie light, compounded by existing shopping centers and housing projects, poses significant risks to both commuters and pedestrians. As a teacher, I've witnessed firsthand the dangers faced by students navigating the increasingly congested roads.

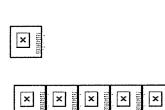
Dos Pueblos High School, nestled amidst scenic surroundings, would suffer from the encroachment of suburban sprawl. The charm of our community lies in its open spaces, and sacrificing them for further development is a disservice to future generations.

I vehemently oppose the notion that the state's housing requirements justify sacrificing our community's character. We must prioritize the preservation of our beloved open spaces over meeting arbitrary building quotas.

I was dismayed to learn that the Santa Barbara School District appears to support these developments without consulting teachers or staff. The promise of seven acres for teacher housing fails to address the long-term impact on community cohesion and equity.

In conclusion, I implore you to reject the rezoning of the Glen Annie Golf Course. Instead, let us preserve its natural beauty for future generations to enjoy. Our community's true value lies in its unspoiled landscapes, not in unchecked development reminiscent of urban sprawl. Let us prioritize the well-being of our community over short-term gains.

Sincerely,



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