

Katherine Douglas

Public Comment - Group 5



Workshop

**From:** Hotmail <ib1ward@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 1:05 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Rezoning in District 2

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Dear County Board of Supervisors,

I want to express my gratitude for your recent efforts in raising community awareness regarding the rezoning efforts. However, I would like to address the challenges faced by everyday working families in understanding how the County intends to address the impact of these efforts through the Housing Element update process. The information provided in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is complex and difficult to comprehend. It seems that the primary focus of the Board of Supervisors has been on the affordability of new housing, with little discussion about how the community will be affected and supported amidst the significant and concentrated influx of new population.

I have a straightforward yet crucial question: How does the County plan to ensure that the State and private developers are held financially responsible for the necessary infrastructure to implement the County's Housing Element? Our environment is already strained to its current carrying capacity, and it appears that County taxpayers are left to bear the consequences. Traffic congestion already regularly extends onto the freeway and local neighborhoods, schools are overcrowded and in disrepair, and the South Coast is starting to resemble the failed urban centers of the State.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this important question.

Sincerely,  
The Ward/Smith family  
Santa Barbara County Residents,  
District 2

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**From:** Robert Lesser <albardach@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 1:37 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Carp re-zoning of Ag

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.

We are writing against any re-zoning of Carp's remaining Ag land to turn into a builder's bonanza...

It is already bumper to bumper traffic on the one way roads by high school (Foothill) and Kim's market (Via Real)....

More housing at either place would be environmentally perilous in terms of traffic, water, and air from car fumes.

NO

Thank you  
R.Lesser  
Carpinteria

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**From:** Peter Blair <pblair@reggatta.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 2:05 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Where do the golfers go?

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Hello:

I see there is a proposal to transform Glen Annie golf course into housing. My main question is, "Where do the golfers go?" Muni is already packed, Sandpiper is too expensive, Rancho San Marcos is closed. I'll bet some of the new residents in the housing you are considering will be golfers - where will they play? Perhaps you could help get another course built north of town or maybe build more houses there instead? It would be great if any new developments you consider do not take away recreation we already have and enjoy. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Cheers,

Peter Blair  
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**From:** Eileen Read <eileenwhiteread@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 2:18 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Fwd: Housing projects on county land

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To the Santa Barbara County Supervisors:

First of all, I want to thank you sincerely for your public service. And thank you to Supervisor Laura Capps for calling today's meeting on housing issues, particularly on the subject of using Santa Barbara County land for housing projects. We desperately need affordable, low-income, and workforce housing in this county. I regret that I cannot attend in person today; My husband and I just got back from three weeks in Vietnam and Cambodia, but I have brought back with me strep throat.

I'm writing to you today about the issue of our lack of sufficient beds in homeless shelters. As you contemplate what land can be used for housing projects, I would ask you to also consider where might county build additional housing to accomodate congregate shelters for our many homeless people countywide? I'm a founding partner and board member of Hands Across Montecito, and I write about issues related to the unhoused for the *Montecito Journal*.

Our H.A.M. group - which works in partnership with Citynet and with all the relevant local/county government agencies - is almost desperate at this moment, because we continually find unhoused people who want to go inside for shelter, but the shelters are full. Last year, we encountered a total of 43 individuals, yet sadly we had nowhere to house them because there are no shelter beds available. Clearly, SB Co needs to build more housing - my husband and I are 100% behind this - but we believe the county, which is responsible for public health, also needs to build more congregate bed shelters in order to temporarily house those folks who are in the most desperate straits. If land or warehouse space on county land could be found, we feel certain that we could help put together private-public partnerships to add somewhere between 200 and 400 additional beds for our unhoused. And this is only a fraction of what is actually needed: SB County's point-in-time count found more than 1,800 unhoused adults, yet countywide there are only approximately 800 shelter beds. along with about 200 parking spaces available for people living in their vehicles. That's a deficit of about 800 - forcing unhoused people to live outdoors in appalling conditions.

Below is an article from the Montecito Journal that I recently wrote on this subject:

<https://www.montecitojournal.net/2023/12/19/hands-across-montecito-the-updates-and-challenges-facing-homelessness-relief/>

Again, thank you for your attention to this issue,  
Eileen Read

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**From:** Heather Shea <heathercshea@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 2:49 PM  
**To:** sbcob; PAD LRP Housing Element  
**Subject:** I oppose rezoning Glen Annie golf course for housing

**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.**

Dear Housing Element staff and decision makers, I am a 23 year Goleta resident, and homeowner. I live on Verona Avenue, near Dos Pueblos High and the Glen Annie Golf Club. I am writing to you to express my concerns about the SB County's proposed rezoning of Glen Annie Golf Club for housing units. My concerns are outlined below:

- 1) Impacts on City of Goleta services and infrastructure, including additional police, road infrastructure, traffic, and school services within the city of Goleta. How would these be provided and funded?
- 2) Geological concerns in reference to the increased weight of development on an already moving hill and potential impacts on current housing below the hill. Tee boxes continually slide and undulate on course as well as compromised irrigation pipes on a constant basis already due to current earth movement.
- 3) Open space of the current golf course provides a vital wildfire break for the City of Goleta neighborhoods below and Dos Pueblos High School.
- 4) Traffic, safety, and noise impacts of development on Cathedral Oaks, Glen Annie Road, and corresponding overpass. Adding additional traffic to some of the most high volume intersections in the City of Goleta seems ill advised. Safety concerns on one of the most used corridors by bicycle and pedestrian traffic concerns me. Noise on an already congested traffic corridor presents health and quality of life concerns for residents whose homes are near Cathedral Oaks Rd. Will the County provide sound walls for those residents to mitigate the noise impacts?
- 5) Water Rights and where does the water to support this additional development come from as Glen Annie Golf Club primarily uses reclaimed water. Where does the Goleta Water District stand on this proposal?
- 6) Impacts to nature in regards to local flora and fauna. The golf course was designed to accommodate the Red Legged Frog, how does that fit into any proposed development in this area?
- 7) If Kenwood Village and Heritage Ridge have both yet to even break ground how do we account for the potential impacts of these developments already approved. Wouldn't it be more prudent to wait until these areas have been infilled before considering the proposed zoning changes?
- 8) What precedent would this set for other areas North of Cathedral Oaks in western Goleta. Specifically the adjacent large tracts with agricultural water rights such as the property on Northgate and Cathedral Oaks and further to the West side of the Evergreen terrace apartments? For these reasons, I strongly oppose the proposed rezoning of Glen Annie Golf course for housing units. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Heather Shea

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**From:** Max Rorty <maxrorty@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 3:11 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Yes please glen annie development!

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Dear supervisors,

Please please can we have the gorgeous proposed community in Goleta!

Thank you thank you!

Max Rorty and Kate McDonald

March 16, 2024

The Honorable Das Williams  
The Honorable Laura Capps  
The Honorable Joan Hartmann  
The Honorable Bob Nelson  
The Honorable Steve Lavagnino  
Santa Barbara County  
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Dear Board Members;

Santa Barbara County is in desperate need for new housing. It is reassuring to see the County government moving so urgently to work to make that can become a reality.

I am writing to share my support of including the Caird properties among the proposed projects to begin a rezoning process immediately. I have noticed in recent years a good number of new rental opportunities and while we need more, we also need new homes for sale. I believe this is one of the only projects with a good number of for sale homes, including some that are affordable.

For sale homes located near jobs will help us keep our workforce local and help employers hire and retain employees. Many individuals face challenges hiring experienced professionals as workers cannot stay in the community because they cannot find a home that is affordable or market rate to buy.

The Caird property plan is a unique one as it will include single-family homes, multi-family homes and affordable homes. It is ideal for homes as it is at the heart of thousands of jobs, close to schools and shopping and outside high fire areas. Many workers will be able to walk to work or bike to work on the Class 1 bike path nearby.

Knowing that the future of South Santa Barbara County depends on new housing, including for sale homes, I strongly encourage you to include the Caird properties in your rezoning. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,



Tony Morris

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**From:** emeraldsnowmoon@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 3:22 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Housing Developers-OUT IN THE OPEN

**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.**

County Board of Supervisors,  
Converting agriculture Land is the wrong direction for developing to residential housing.  
Direct effect with hard scape causes excessive run off during rain events i.e. potential flooding as we have all experienced.  
as open agriculture land is covered not allowing percolation of rainwater back into the under-ground aquifer. Open space is needed for people's health and well-being.

This area is not right for this scope of development as Santa Barbara County is already half taken by National Forest Land.  
Also lack of reliable water supply storage is not here.

The State of California's total acreage is 20% National Forest Land.

Thank you for your consideration,

Matt & Josie Williams

Both raised in Santa Barbara.

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**From:** Dave Henderson <dave.henderson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 11:40 AM  
**To:** PAD LRP Housing Element; sbcob  
**Subject:** No to rezoning agricultural land for housing

**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.**

Hello I am writing in opposition of the proposal to rezone the agricultural land at glen annie golf course for housing, and in general the rezoning of agricultural land for housing.

This is a terrible choice for many reasons I'll share a few of those.

Rezoning agricultural land for housing in general should not be done. It sets a terrible precedent and would lead to more urban sprawl on the gaviota coast which is the last undeveloped area in Southern California. It is an irreversible decision.

The golf course is enjoyed by the public and provides recreation, wildlife habitat, dining, wedding venues and a buffer against wild fires. Whenever there is a major fire in the area DP high school is a staging area the firefighters sleep and rest at. (which by the way is why cathedral oaks road is falling apart from bulldozers driving on it) Without that buffer of non flammable open green space of the golf course it would not be as safe.

Goleta with the recent fast growth policies has issues currently with gridlock traffic and poor traffic planning. It is an inconvenience to sit through multiple lights to get through an intersection at Storke and Hollister, or Storke and Calle Real, or at Fairview. But more than an inconvenience is a real safety issue. The traffic backs up on the highway every day and all the way up storke to the freeway, it is very dangerous at times and there have been accidents. There will be more accidents. Adding absurd amount of housing will increase the traffic and make these dangerous moments where people slam the brakes in front of you more common, there likely will be a fatal accident and this housing idea increases that chance. This project may kill someone.

There are other areas that would be better suited for infill housing to consider all over the county not just in Goleta and definitely not pushing on city boundaries on AG LAND toward the Gaviota coast. There are open lots in the county, build a little here a little there all over the county, Montecito and Hope Ranch, and North county etc in appropriately zoned locations, and not force a big project in the wrong location in Goleta.

How about instead of rezone Agricultural land considering rezone of commercial properties to mixed use. You could put thousands of dwellings right on top of Goleta city hall. Do not rezone ag land and pave it over. Cementing of this earth has a larger climate impact than burning of fossil fuels. Save the world and stop cementing it.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like help. Thank you,

Dave Henderson  
Goleta resident

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**From:** Juan Pimentel <juanp@leapcentralcoast.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 3:55 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** In Support of Glen Annie Housing proposal - for Public Comment

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to express my full support for the Glen Annie housing proposal. Although I can't attend today's meeting, I believe this development will benefit our community in significant ways.

As a resident of Goleta for almost 20 years, I understand concerns about increased traffic. However, the advantages of this project, such as providing much-needed housing outweigh the negatives. I've struggled to find affordable permanent housing. Rising rents make it harder for me to stay in the area. We desperately need more housing in Goleta.

Please vote in favor of rezoning the Glen Annie Golf Course for housing. It's time to take this positive step forward for our county.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Juan Pimentel  
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Goleta, CA 93117

## Juan Pimentel

Assistant Executive Director



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**From:** Julie Moore <j.moore.gen@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 4:42 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Rezoning meeting 3/19/24

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Dear SB County Supervisors,

I just watched the South County presentations and am speechless about all the proposed developments along Hollister. Each one was well thought out, but when taken as a whole, there will be traffic nightmares on the already congested Hollister Road. I didn't make notes, but it seemed to me that from Ward Road to Turnpike, the proposals total about 4 thousand new units.

It sounds wonderful to think people will take the bus, walk or ride bikes but in reality, each unit will probably have two cars, and probably more if the high school kids also have a vehicle.

Please, there has to be another way, and with all these three and four story developments, there goes the nature of Santa Barbara County. I have no idea how all this came about that Sacramento declared that thousands of units have to be built in our county, but my recollection was this happened when we were all worried about Covid and didn't pay much attention to the workings in Sacramento.

We all cut way down on our water usage, fewer showers, never watering outside or washing cars, and despite current rains, we are still in an area which will again have water rationing and that's before thousands more units are built.

Please, think about reducing the number of units along Hollister.

We don't even have enough physicians now to take care of the existing population. Heaven help us all when thousands more people move in. And, how will it be enforced that these will not be second and third "homes" for part-time occupants, not for the local work force?

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of all Santa Barbara residents.

Juliette Moore