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Good Morning, please find Key Site 26's slide deck for the BOS Housing Element April 30th.

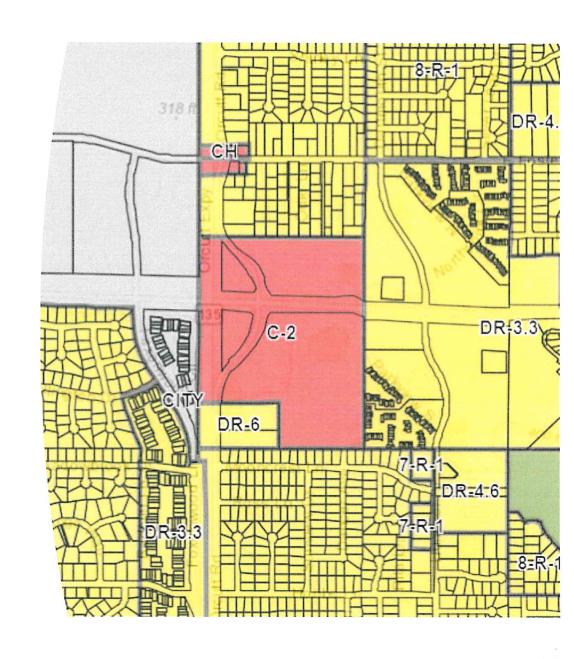
Thank you,

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Housing Santa Maria Elk Rodeo Ground **Element Key Site 26** Urban **Housing Element** Rezone Request

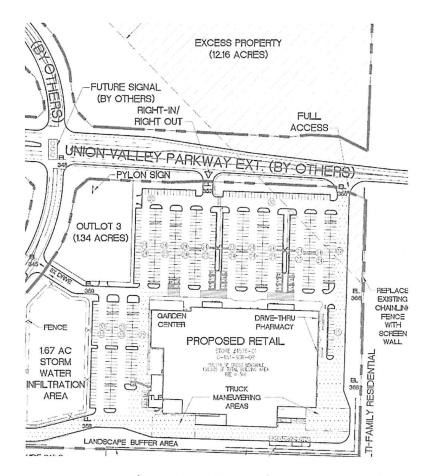
Key Site 26: Unbuildable due to lack of commercial water rights.

- Key Site 26: Zoned for Commercial Use
- Water Availability: Orcutt has no water for commercial development.
- Dead Site: Developers have been unable to resolve the commercial site's water issues for 25 years.
- Resulting in an unbuildable 44-acre infill parcel, encircled by extensive road infrastructure.



Walmart Development Attempt

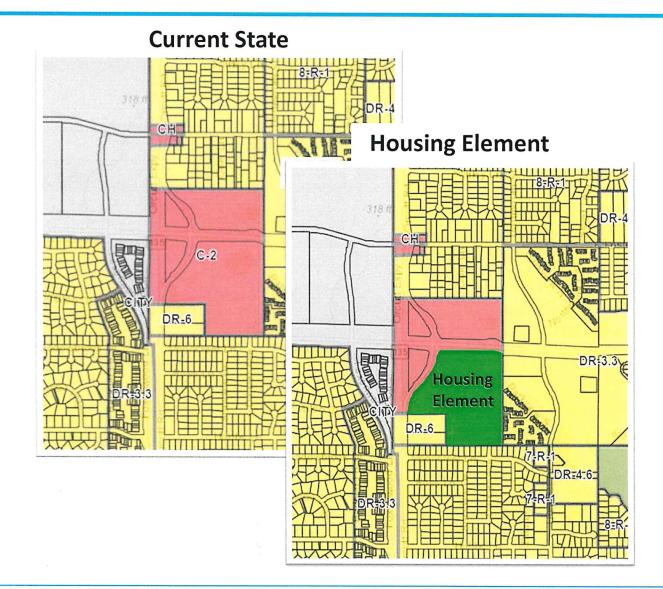
- Walmart purchased the site in 2003, designing a 156,000 square foot supercenter with an additional 15 acres of Commercial Property.
- Walmart was unable to secure water for the site due to Orcutt's lack of commercial water rights.
- Walmart sold the property in 2021 after 18 years of trying to obtain water for the site.



Walmart 2015 Development Drawings

The Housing Element proposes to rezone a portion of the site for residential use. Resolving the issue.

- Residential development in Orcutt is feasible as it has water allocation.
- The property will maintain over 16 acres of prime land for commercial services, offering substantial space for a modern, mixed-use commercial neighborhood center, contingent upon securing water rights.



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Neighborhood Mixed-Use Community



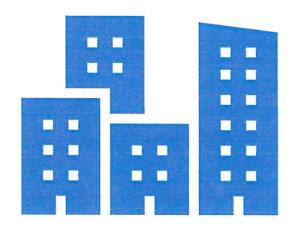






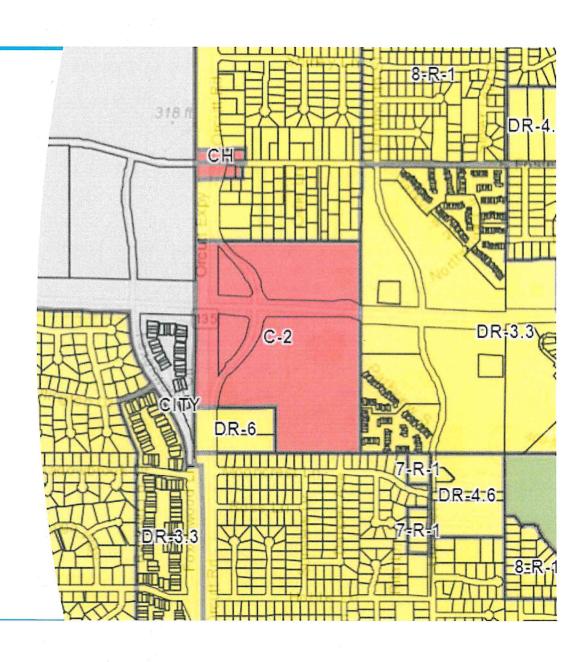
Why is Key Site 26 the best rezone candidate?

- **1. Unusable zoning:** The housing element would take an unusable site and make it usable for housing.
- **2. Urban Infill:** The site is surrounded by urban infrastructure, allowing for affordable housing with minimal community impact and no sprawl.
- **3. The Readiest Housing Site:** Richards Ranch is three years in planning. It boasts a fully realized design and a comprehensive 1,500-page Environmental Impact Report (EIR) with remarkably low impacts for 400+ housing units.
- **4. Urban Infrastructure / Transit:** Key Site 26 was planned for intensive use since the 1980s. It has extensive roads surrounding it, making it the optimal choice for high-density housing with the least impact on community traffic and well-being. There is not another site in the north county list that can support housing with such limited community impact.
- **5. Optimal Development Site:** The site has no agricultural value, is flat, has no wetlands or flood zoning, and is designed to comply with the Airport Land Use Safety Zones while delivering affordable densities.



If not rezoned, Key Site 26 remains unusable.

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