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March 5, 2024

To: Board of Supervisors

Re: Housing Element Rezone Workshop on March 19th

Citizens Planning Association has been trying to follow the Housing Element Update process and has been very disappointed in the process so far. We now see that a special session is planned during which South Coast project proponents will be given time to highlight their proposals. It seems this is being done to give more information to the decision-makers before the actual rezones take place the following month. Since something like this has not occurred previously, at least to our knowledge, it is very important it be done correctly and transparently.

If you are going to have a Builders Showcase event, CPA suggests that it be open to both the North County and South Coast developers as residents in the North County have an interest in the proposed projects and some Builders Remedy projects that came in late or even after the maps were determined.

Although the 'showcase' seems to be for benefit of the potential developers and the BOS, we would hope that the public will be allowed to participate and to ask questions both during the presentations in the chambers but also during the showcase activities that will occur in the foyer. But if that will not be done, at least have the session for all impacted areas of the County.

Marell Brooks

President

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