

From: LOUISE BEKINS <louisebekins@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 8:16:20 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Eric Rodriguez; Joe Goethals; Maureen Freschet

Subject: Height Restrictions - Measure P - Your Vote - YES to place on the ballot

Dear Councilpersons,

Regarding your consideration and vote to place the Citizen's measure on the ballot to extend the height limits for our City, I am one of the many who deeply believe this democratic process should not be cast aside, and thus ask that you vote to **allow the measure to be placed on the ballot**.

Please pay attention to the thousands of people who agree and signed the petition.

Thank you for all you do.

Louise Bekins
809 Wharfside Rd.
San Mateo, CA 94404

From: mbenton0111@aol.com <mbenton0111@aol.com>

Sent: Saturday, July 7, 2018 4:56:20 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Request To Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council:

Over 7,000 San Mateo residents signed a petition and met all legal requirements to place a new building height/density limits extension on the ballot, yet it appears that the City Council still has the power to nullify our wish by not placing the measure on the ballot. If I understand the indirect process correctly, even though the San Mateo City Council still needs to approve the measure before it is placed on the ballot, it does not have a strict veto power; therefore, this proposed initiative should be placed on the ballot so that the 7,000+ voters have a say in how we will be affected.

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for your support of this democratic process because:

- 1) I support allowing our citizens to vote on this important development matter,
- 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them, and
- 3) I want the city to discuss this publicly, and not behind closed doors meetings with developers and where their money determines what happens to San Mateo.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Margaret Benton
1034 Bermuda Drive
San Mateo, 94403

From: timandpam10@earthlink.net <timandpam10@earthlink.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 12:31:16 AM
To: timandpam10@earthlink.net; Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez
Subject: Re: Measure P needs to be on the November ballot!!

I haven't heard from any of you. I've never been too busy to vote...

-----Original Message-----

>From: timandpam10@earthlink.net
>Sent: Jul 3, 2018 5:40 PM
>To: Rick Bonilla <rbonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>, jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org,
dpapan@cityofsanmateo.org, mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org,
erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org
>Subject: Measure P needs to be on the November ballot!!
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>All,
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>I'm one of over 7,000 San Mateans who signed a petition to put Measure P on the November ballot. Please make sure this citizen's measure is on the ballot and let the voters decide building height limits. Do the right thing! See you at the City Council meeting on July 16th.
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>Sincerely,
>Tim Berndt
>18 year resident

From: david <david@davidbertoldi.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 11:08:56 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Take action, stop your abusive over development of our once nice city...

Dear City Council;

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

- 1) I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter
- 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them
- 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

I honestly don't think any of you care about us long time residents and have pretty much zero respect for any of you. Do something right for s change and stop selling us out!!!!

David Bertoldi
31 Belford Way

From: Kevin Burke <kev@inburke.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 08, 2018 7:41 PM

To: City Mgr <citymgr@cityofsanmateo.org>; Rick Bonilla <RBonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>;

Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>; Joe Goethals <jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>;

Diane Papan <dpapan@cityofsanmateo.org>; Eric Rodriguez <erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: Agenda order for 7/16 meeting

Hi there,

I'm hoping you could place the height limits item(s) first on the agenda for the July 16 meeting. There will probably be a lot of speakers on that item, some of whom are new, have families, are bringing small kids or have early wake up calls (as I do) on Tuesday morning. Instead of making 50-80 speakers wait through agenda items that are of interest to 5 people, it seems reasonable to take comment on the most popular item first.

The San Mateo Daily Journal is likely to cover the height limits discussion as well and I feel bad when their reporters have to stay until 11pm or midnight - it's likely difficult for them to hit a deadline when they have to do that.

Further, the default time for speaking is 3 minutes. **I am hoping you could limit time to 2 minutes each if there are in excess of 30 speakers.** This would be fair - everyone would still get the same amount of time - but would lead to a much more efficient meeting, and make it more feasible to stick around for the resolution.

Thanks!

Kevin

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Kevin Burke

925.271.7005 | kev.inburke.com

From: Marilyn <m.canadas@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 9:17:44 PM

To: Eric Rodriguez; Maureen Freschet; Diane Papan; Joe Goethals; Rick Bonilla

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council,

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits on the ballot and letting the citizen's of our city vote on its future. I do not support placing a competing measure on the same ballot. I am asking for your support of the democratic process because:

I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter.

I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them.

I want the city to discuss this public ally, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

Over 7,000 San Mateans signed the petition and the City Council needs to do the right thing and put the measure on the ballot.

San Mateans will remember how they were treated by this City Council.

Thank you,
Marilyn Canadas
650.342.7648

Sent from my iPad

From: Suzanne Carder <suecarder@me.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 3:52:35 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Measure P

Dear San Mateo City Council Members,

The citizens of San Mateo deserve a chance to vote on measure P!

Suzanne Carder
114 12th Ave,
San Mateo, CA 94402

From: Elizabeth Cookson <bbcookson@comcast.net>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 12:55:57 PM

To: mfreschet@citysanmateo.org

Cc: Diane Papan; Joe Goethals; erodriquez@cityofsanmateo.org; Rick Bonilla

Subject: San Mateans for Responsive Government

Dear Maureen;

My name is Elizabeth M. Cookson and I first became a resident of the City of San Mateo in 1950 when I moved with my family from San Francisco to 517 Dorchester Road, San Mateo. In 1967 we moved to Hillsborough in order to comply with attendance boundaries set by the San Mateo High School Union High School Board of Trustees. In 2004 my husband and I (our children grown and on their own) moved back to San Mateo. My current address is 601 Laurel Avenue, San Mateo. Put all these years together and I have been a resident of this area for 68 years! During all these years I have been active and interested in our community. I have attended Council meetings, Planning Commission meetings, Park and Recreation Committee meetings.

When I was asked to help gather signatures to have the height limit on new construction put on the ballot for approval of the voters in 2020 I heartily agreed and was able to gather signatures of approximately 40 San Mateo residents who also agreed.

When I solicited signatures for this petition, I assured all who signed that it did not mean they approved of the height limitation....only that they would have the opportunity to vote for or against the measure in the 2020 election.

It is my understanding that you will be voting to place the Citizens measure to extend the current height limits on the 2020 ballot at your next meeting on July 16th. I can't urge you strongly enough to let the citizens and voters in the City of San Mateo make their choice with regard to height limits on new construction. Today is the 4th of July....let us continue the democratic process!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Cookson

In addition, as citizens, we must fight in their incipient stages all movements by government or party or pressure groups that seek to limit the legitimate liberties of any of our fellow citizens.

Wendell Willkie

July 8, 2018

Honorable Mayor Bonilla
Honorable Deputy Mayor Papan
Honorable Council Member Freschet
Honorable Member Goethals
Honorable Council Member Rodriguez

RE: The Citizens' Measure to Extend Height Limits in San Mateo

Dear Council Members:

Thousands of your San Mateo constituents signed a petition supporting the placement of the Citizens' Measure to Extend Height Limits on the November Ballot. Volunteers worked tirelessly to follow the process legitimately and to secure the signatures, as directed and required.

As our leaders, I urge you to support democracy on July 16th by voting to place the Citizens' Measure on the ballot so the people of San Mateo can vote their preference and desire for growth in our city.

I understand the Council is considering a "counter-measure" which reportedly allows developers to "cut-out" their properties from the limitations outlined in the Citizens' Measure, which could ultimately give developers carte blanche to build whatever they want without limitations.

I strongly urge you to let the democratic process play out by placing the Citizens' Measure to Extend Height Limits on the November Ballot and not confusing the issue with a counter measure.

San Mateo residents volunteered hundreds of hours to get thousands of San Mateo voters signatures, frequently missing time with their families in pursuit of fairly and justly securing more than the minimum signatures required for the petition. Please honor their efforts.

Sincerely,

Mary Cravalho

From: Eric DeMenthon <eriaac@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 2:17:14 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Measure P

Hi there, I'm sure you're receiving lots of copy-pasted emails asking to allow a renewal of Measure P to come to a vote. I would ask you to please not allow it to be voted on, if you're able to block that. It's unconscionable in the midst of this severe housing shortage and skyrocketing rental rates to try to maintain this measure which mandates a FAR/Floor Area Ratio of 3, even in downtown.

They will say that it's anti-democratic to disallow it, but to allow it to be voted on is to allow a highly motivated minority to control the destiny of the city. Most citizens won't bother to learn about it and vote, even if they ultimately would want the lower rents that would come with more density. Instead, they voted all of you into office to represent them, and to take the time to make educated decisions on their behalf. That is what they have time to do. As I'm sure you know, they do not, generally, have time to learn about every decision being debated.

Alternatively, if it is to come to a vote, I'd hope that the arguments for both sides and the date/time of the vote will be advertised broadly, so that the majority of the voters can be motivated to express their opinion on this.

Otherwise, the NIMBYs will get their way, and rents will stay sky high.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Best,
Eric DeMenthon
55 W 5th Ave

From: Johanne DiQuattro <diquattros@att.net>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 7:45:33 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Place Building Height Limit Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council;

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

- 1) I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter
- 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them
- 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

Sincerely,
Anthony and Johanne DiQuattro

From: Coralin Feierbach <c.feierbach@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 4:23:06 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Height Limitation Initiative

Dear Council member Papan,

I don't live in San Mateo. I live in Belmont 50 feet from the San Mateo border.

However, every city's development affects its neighboring cities.

A petition with 7000+ signatures from San Mateo residents was successfully obtained to place a measure on the ballot which would keep the height limitation that was started and continued since the 90's.

As elected caretakers of your pretty city, please allow the process to move forward in an honest above-board manner. Place the measure on the ballot without exceptions. It's the right thing to do.

Thank you for reading this,

Sincerely,

Coralin Feierbach

3206 East Laurel Creek Road

Belmont CA 94002

Former Belmont Mayor

From: fenderapril@gmail.com <fenderapril@gmail.com> on behalf of April Fender
<april@fullofwonder.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 5:09:38 PM

To: Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Heights limits measure on the ballot

Dear City Council; As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because: 1) I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

We have the right to vote on this issue. Obviously it is wanted by more than enough citizens.

Sincerely,
April Fender

JILL WAKEMAN GOODMAN
62 Lyonridge Lane
San Mateo, California 94402

June 21, 2018

San Mateo City Council
City Hall
330 W. 20th Avenue
San Mateo, CA 94403

Dear Members:

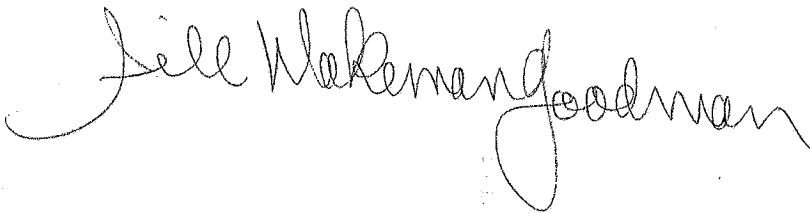
I recently signed a petition which would allow the citizens of our beautiful City to vote on a building height and density limit. I was pleased to read that enough signatures were secured to place it on the November ballot, but I was disheartened to learn that the City Council has the final say on whether or not it appears on the ballot! Is this democracy "of the people, by the people and for the people"?

I naively thought that our elected officials were there to carry out "the will of the people". The will of over 7,000 legally registered voters/residents of The City of San Mateo, is to place the building and height measure on the November ballot as written in the petition.

I also understand that even if you ok the citizen's measure, you are considering placing a counter measure on the ballot that would allow certain developers to circumvent height and density requirements.

Why are you afraid to allow the citizens of San Mateo to vote up or down on height and density limits -- sans special interests. It is our City, and our children's future. You are our elected officials. LISTEN TO US!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jill Wakeman Goodman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Jill Wakeman Goodman".

From: MHG <gribble1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 12:14 PM
To: Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>
Subject: Measure P

Ms. Olds,

It would be appreciated if you could kindly forward my thoughts regarding Measure P to the members of the City Council prior to the next meeting. Thank you again for your assistance.

Dear Council Members,

I strongly support height and density limits in this city.

I live in Sunnybrae and am unable to get out of my driveway with the current traffic because of the amount of cars especially in the morning and evening as well as the rate of speed of the drivers. In the evening, taking 19th Avenue to the freeway takes forever. I can only imagine what it will be like with the continued development in the area. And, they have not yet opened the old K-Mart site. It would be appreciated if you could kindly forward my thoughts on Proposition P to the members of the City Council. From what I have seen, those living in transit-oriented developments are still driving their cars. The planners seem to dismiss the infrastructure and the available water supply issues. The developers do not care – they just take the money and run. The major concern seems to be how to increase tax revenue.

I was born in this city and have lived in San Mateo since the day I was born and my quality of life has significantly decreased in the past few years.

Sincerely,

Mark H. Gribble

P.S. – Instead of developing the Rite-Aid site put in a park!

From: Devra Harris <devraharris@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 9:23 AM

To: Rick Bonilla <RBonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>; Joe Goethals <jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>; Diane Papan <dpapan@cityofsanmateo.org>; Maureen Freschet <mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org>; Eric Rodriguez <erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>

Cc: Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: Agenda item July 16 Council Meeting

Dear Councilmembers,

I'm writing in concern for the quickly deteriorating quality of life my fellow San Mateo residents and I are enduring due to the rapid growth that's happening around our city. As a long time homeowner and active participant in community affairs, I am disappointed in how the vision of our current council members have played out over the last few years. The provisions of Measure H and Measure P have served San Mateo well. They have helped maintain the suburban character of our neighborhoods while allowing for the continued growth of our local economy. Our city's future will benefit from Measure P provisions as it has proven since 1991. When researching what the plan and goals are for our current members in power, the following information is posted by the city:

2018 Council's priorities strategic goals and visions

- Support future growth and redevelopment in Downtown, other commercial areas, and along the transportation corridor to ensure a well-planned environment and promote a high quality of life.
- Continue efforts to increase entry - level housing, strive for a balance between jobs and housing, and provide incentives for City employees to live in San Mateo.
- Continue to invest in the long-term infrastructure needs of the City and create an identity for San Mateo that generates civic pride and responsibility.

Our local economy is thriving with new businesses at every turn, Hillsdale Mall's multi-million dollar mega renovation, BMII applications doubling the size of office buildings, Concor Passage blockbuster plan, many downtown deconstruction projects looming...

new development being approved beyond imagination.

The difficulty in all this fast paced progress is dealing with the adverse impacts on traffic and overcrowding.

Just what is driving our city officials to compete with the aggressive building models other cities along the peninsula have resorted to when a glaring result is overcrowding and traffic? Does negatively impacting the daily lives of the current residents really promote "civic pride" and foster a sense of community "responsibility"? If anything, it has emboldened us San Mateo community members' to refocus our responsibility on how we can push back against the gross over-building within our city.

I urge you to rethink how "carve outs" will promote and ensure a high quality of life. This has changed the quality of everyday life here and not for the better — and nowhere near a "high quality" that the council cites as a priority.

Two direct ways to refocus and ask for a fair judgement of how the community wants their city to progress would be to 1) host Town Hall meetings/study sessions that invite residents to weigh in on how we want our city to approach our growth and development 2) remove previously discussed conflicting and confusing BUILDER-focused ballot measures from the upcoming July 16th City Council meeting agenda. Without the true feedback from your San Mateo residents that would be found within a Town Hall setting, it is socially irresponsible to offer a competing measure at the direction of the council whose main job is to be a voice for what the city residents want/need.

Put Measure P on the ballot.

Please slow the pace of construction here, our city is out of balance.

Respectfully,

Devra Harris

40 Year homeowner and resident San Mateo

Former SMGVNA Board Member

Citizen's Advisory Committee Member (2001 - 2005)

From: Devra Harris <devraharris@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 9:32 AM

To: Eric Rodriguez <erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>; Maureen Freschet <mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org>

Cc: Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: In appreciation- (PLS include in July 16 council packet)

Dear Councilmember Rodriguez and Councilmember Freschet,

We understand that you have the residents of San Mateo in mind when you are considering the plan for long term growth within our city. We want to thank you for holding the values expressed by your constituents in regard within the City Council. Your support does not go unnoticed.

Respectfully,

John and Devra Harris

From: gisoardi@aol.com <gisoardi@aol.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 4:21:40 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Place the Citizens height limits measure on the ballot.

Dear Ms Papan. As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because: 1) I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots

Gary Isoardi
Aragon San Mateo.

From: Jerry James <jernsue@comcast.net>

Sent: Saturday, July 7, 2018 1:29:03 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Joe Goethals; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council Member,

We signed the petition to have this measure placed on the ballot because we think how this issue is resolved could alter the character of San Mateo basically forever, so every citizen should have a say about it. Any attempt by the City Council to circumvent the effort put forth by so many in the expectation that succeeding would result in the measure being on the ballot will be seen as a subterfuge necessitated by capitulation to those who hope to profit by more and more building.

Our own position on the matter is that even with the current building limits the development which has already occurred has not been done successfully with respect to matching supporting infrastructure. The result is already that people can hardly get around within the city limits. Until it can be demonstrated that we can provide the infrastructure that we already need to keep us from becoming practically gridlocked we should not be stressing what we have any further.

Regardless of one's views on building height limits we think most San Mateans would agree that all of us deserve to be provided credible information and to hear the issues involved debated publicly. Then we should be allowed to vote our preferences.

Sincerely,

Gerald (Jerry) James and Susan (Sue) James

From: Larry Karp <larrymkarp@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2018 8:06 PM

To: Eric Rodriguez <erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>; Maureen Freschet <mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org>; Diane Papan <dpapan@cityofsanmateo.org>; Joe Goethals <jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>; Rick Bonilla <RBonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>; Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: Measure P

Hello Council and City Clerk, I have never really been actively involved in many political campaigns in my entire lifetime, but Measure P is one that I believe in so I "rolled up my sleeves" and went knocking on the doors in my townhouse community to help get signatures to get the Measure P on the ballot in November. I even stood in front of Piazza's one Saturday morning. I was shocked that I got very little resistance to sign the petition. The "will" of the community sure spoke to me. Residents do not want development in the Downtown area!

I have been a resident of San Mateo since 1987. I have seen the Downtown area grow from a "sleeping" Downtown to what it is today. The Downtown is "busting at the seams!" My daughter lives Downtown. I see her almost every evening, because I am a committed father. Believe it or not parking is difficult even on a Tuesday evening! Development by "heavy-hitting" developers has the potential to be rampant! The possibility exists that we will see "tear-downs" right in the middle of the bustling Third and Fourth Avenues. Do we really want to see "High Rise" residential communities that exist in San Francisco, Chicago and New York? These communities would be expensive units which might house "Big Box" retailers on ground level. The whole character of the Downtown will change for the worse!

Development by developers will be "self-serving" while ignoring the "will" of the majority of the City of San Mateo residents. I urge you to let the voters speak by placing the Measure P on the ballot. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Karp, San Mateans For Responsive Government

From: Rick Karp <rick@colehardware.com>

Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 2:21:16 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: July 16th Meeting

Council Members:

My name is Rick Karp. I was the spokesperson for Measure H, and of course an active signature gatherer back then as well. I want you to know in advance that I will be attending your meeting on July 16th. I understand there may be some uncertainty on your part about authorizing San Mateans' desire to vote on the re-authorizing and extension of Measure P and/or authorizing a competing measure with developer set-asides. Of course, I feel this is inappropriate and that you should put the ballot initiative on the November ballot as our citizens' request.

The last time I appeared before the City Council was to encourage the extension of Measure H into Measure P. I look forward to updating this conversation with you as well. In the meantime, if any or all of you care to discuss this with me in advance of the meeting, I can be reached via email, or by cell at 415-846-2004.

Thank you very much.

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Warm regards,
Rick

Rick Karp
Cole Hardware
70 4th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415-846-2004
www.colehardware.com

From: Deborah Kohn <dkohn@daksystcons.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 4:44:28 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: City Council Members: Don't Kill Our Democratic Process or Circumvent the People's Will!

Dear San Mateo City Council Members,

You, our City Council members, were elected by the citizens of San Mateo to represent the citizens of San Mateo.

I, along with approximately 7000 other citizens of San Mateo, recently signed a petition that would allow the citizens of our community to decide if there should be a building height limit in San Mateo.

Now, I feel that the San Mateo City Council members are no longer acting in the best interests of San Mateo citizens. Instead, I, along with the approximately 7000 other San Mateo citizens feel that the San Mateo City Council members are more concerned about keeping developers and career politicians happy at our expense.

I do not like to see the rapid expansion of high-density housing in our community. I do not like the excessive traffic congestion as a result. I do not like the possibility of buildings being constructed over 3 or 4 stories in San Mateo near the CalTrain stations of Hillsdale and San Mateo.

WHAT SOCCER MOM IS GOING TO TAKE HER KIDS TO GAMES RIDING CALTRAIN??

WHAT INDIVIDUAL IS GOING TO SHOP FOR FOOD RIDING CALTRAIN??

I am not pleased that some of the same developers who pushed the recent El Camino project limit (and which was passed by the City Council) now are insinuating that those who signed the petition for height limitations to be placed on the November ballot do not know what these citizens signed.

I am not pleased that the City Council is trying to change the rhetoric in the petition for building height limitations to conform to state regulations that are not clear.

I no longer believe that the San Mateo City Council, Planning Commission, and Public Works Department know how to effectively run a city. The citizens of San Mateo have the right to determine the building height limit ANYWHERE in our community. The citizens of San Mateo have the right to determine who holds a City Council seat. Thankfully, they also have the right to determine who should no longer hold a seat on the council.

Sincerely,

Deborah Kohn

Dear City of San Mateo Councilmembers,

I and many others who signed the petition to maintain the 5-story height limit feel we should be listened to and our City Council should not interfere or compete with our ballot measure. We do not feel special interest groups should be favored over the majority of people we contacted. Also, the majority of people we contacted wanted to sign our petition.

There are many discussions that our only effective leverage if the city council goes against our ballot measure is to formally boycott 3 groups:

1. Hillsdale Shopping Center-not shop or use services there and not do business with Bohannon Development Company,
2. San Mateo Chamber of Commerce and all their members- recommend to do business in San Mateo County but not with any Chamber Members of San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce. We could publish boycott all member lists.
3. San Mateo Central Labor Council AFL-CIO, San Mateo Building and Construction Trades Council AFL-CIO and their members and not use their union workers and recommend using non-union workers in these areas.

The reason we feel a boycott is necessary is that these organizations are working against the democratic process so important to the American way. If they support violating our ballot measure we have no other recourse but to boycott and protest against them. We passed around petitions to maintain the **5 story height limit throughout ALL of the City of San Mateo** without and exceptions and overwhelmingly our City of San Mateo voters and tax payers are in favor of **maintaining the 5 story height limit for ALL of the City of San Mateo.**

We have too much congestion, traffic stoppage, lack of parking, inadequate infrastructure, inadequate public transportation and we are wasting too much time and energy and causing too much pollution because we have over developed without adequate solutions to traffic and infrastructure resulting in wasted time do to road blockages.

We are watching how our City Council members individually vote and will remember how members vote and try to do all in our power to get out of office the members that vote to over develop, allow exceptions to our petition and cause more traffic, waste of time, cause more pollution and overcrowding problems in our city.

Al Landucci

cc: Bohannon Development Company, San Mateo Chamber of Commerce
San Mateo Central Labor Council, San Mateo Building and Construction Trades Council

From: Julia <jemlov@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 10:51:48 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: July 16th Citizen's Measure

Ladies and Gentlemen;

I understand you are voting on July 16th to place the Citizen's measure on the ballot to extend the height limits. I am just one of many San Mateo residents who deeply believes this democratic process should not be cast aside, and anticipate that you will move this forward in the process since thousands of San Mateans put their signatures to the petition to support this. We are all voters and we have very long memories! Also, I am appalled that the City is contemplating putting up a counter-measure in order to allow 'cut-outs' of developer properties which would not have to comply with height and density limits - giving them a 'free pass' to build what they like! I hope you all start doing your jobs and listening to the residents of San Mateo and stop bowing down to the developers. We are all watching to see how you behave and to see if you are serving the citizens of San Mateo, or the developers.

Looking forward to seeing you on July 16!

Sincerely,

Julia Lovotti

San Mateo Citizen and Voter

From: lmaley@pacbell.net <lmaley@pacbell.net>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 10:48:54 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Measure P Extension

Dear Council Members:

I am shocked and discouraged that during the June 18 council meeting certain Council Members chose to draft a measure to compete with the citizen's measure to extend Measure P. I fully expected Council to represent the 7,000 constituents who signed the petition and wanted this measure placed on the ballot.

I collected signatures for this petition and spoke to many of your constituents. There is overwhelming support for this measure. The feedback I received most consistently was that traffic is horrendous, we need to preserve the suburban character of San Mateo, and that "big money" is at the root of the development; the will of the people is unimportant. There are certainly other concerns including the lack of infrastructure, the absence of quality architecture and the impact to schools, to name a few, but the consensus is that development has gotten out of control and the quality of life in San Mateo has diminished.

Council's direction at the last meeting has only created more anxiety and doubt in the confidence of our government to represent the people and not special interests. The Council sponsored "carve out" solution is not what your constituents are asking for.

I am urging City Council to vote to place the Citizens measure on the ballot that without a competing measure. Restore our faith in the democratic process.

Respectfully yours,

Lisa M. Maley

From: Mike Manely <makqs@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 5:46:20 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez; letters@smdailyjournal.com

Subject: San Mateo City Council, Please Protect Us

FYI, your constituents are aware that BIG MONEY operatives are trying to suppress the vote of Measure P (maintaining exist. height restrictions) and many of your "resident-taxpayers" won't be disregarded. In The Daily Journal article on June 8, 2018 about "Battle brews over height limits" explains how Bohannon Development Co, San Mateo Building & Construction Trades Council and San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce are trying to use their high-priced lawyers to delegitimize the almost 7000 "Measure P' petition signatures to put it to a vote in November (only 5185 signatures were needed). These BIG MONEY INTERESTS are trying to take-away the democratic process from YOUR SAN MATEO CITIZENS.

Now, their latest assault is a PHONY online OPINION SURVEY, not only is the survey biased but it also contains "inaccurate, fake statements" about Measure P. Just who is ... "California Public Policy Surveys" and what is their connection to "McGuire Research" and other political operatives that have been "paid-off" by these BIG-MONEY INTERESTS ? Who paid them off ??? How much \$\$\$?

So please protect your citizens from these OUTSIDE interests and please share true facts about the above questions with all of residents of San Mateo, the sooner the better.

Mike Manely

From: b bta <bta101@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 9:07:26 PM
To: Diane Papan
Subject: Building Height and Density Limit

Dear Ms. Diane Papan:

I am one of the voters who signed the petition to extend Measure P and have it on the November ballot. I am respectfully requesting the City Council to support the voice and will of the seven thousand plus San Mateo residents.

I am shocked and very disappointed to hear that the council actually proposed your own measure to undermine the one supported by the citizens. Furthermore, there are two cared-out locations in your proposal, which is appalling. City Council is supposed to represent the interests of the residents and not any special interest groups.

I have lived in San Mateo for over thirty year. The traffic congestion, pollution, and the massive building development is unsustainable and destroying the suburb feeling of this town. People choose to live here to be away from the city (and the high-rise buildings). I am proud of my fellow San Mateans who worked tirelessly to gather the needed signatures for the purpose of preserving the height and density limits in our neighborhood. The petition the citizens signed did address the new law.

I am asking the council to stop trying to kill a democratic process and endorse the measure supported by the community by putting Measure P extension on the ballot.

Sincerely,

Barbara Miao

From: Ellen Miller <ellenmariemiller@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 1:32:17 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council:

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

- 1) I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter
- 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them
- 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

Ellen Miller

From: Genel Morgan <glmrn12@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 4:40:52 PM

To: Diane Papan; Eric Rodriguez; Joe Goethals; Maureen Freschet; Rick Bonilla

Subject: Building height/density limits

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have lived in San Mateo all of my childhood and the majority of my adult life. My parents moved into their home in Glendale Village in 1951, several years before Hillsdale Shopping Center was built.

I have seen many changes in San Mateo over the years and understand the need to address the housing situation, but my expectation of you, our elected City Council, is to listen to concerns voiced by the residents.

I have become aware of your proposal to draft a competing ballot measure to the one San Mateo city residents have worked very hard to qualify for the November ballot. The will of the people is that we vote to continue Measure P which has reasonably controlled the "urban sprawl" many developers would like to create in our city.

My question is, why are you drafting a competing measure? Who is supporting/encouraging you do this? When over 7000 residents signed a petition to put an initiative on the November ballot, I question if it is the residents who want you to draft a competing measure. Is that really your responsibility?

As I said, I have lived in this area a long time and am fully aware of corporate lobbying. My concern is that the Bohanon Corporation and other developers (probably from outside our city) feel the pinch of restricting building height and density and are lobbying you to help them. Your allegiance should be to the residents, not corporate interests.

Lastly, I want to be clear that I am not in favor of a building moratorium, but I feel it is negligent on your part to not address infrastructure BEFORE all of the building is completed. My daughter and her family now live in the home my parents bought in 1951 and the permission for buildings taller than 5 stories will negatively affect homeowners along the railroad corridor.

I will remember come election time how you have chosen to act on this issue. On a daily basis, we have our democracy attacked by Trump and his administration. My hope is that democracy is still safe and respected by my local officials.

Yours truly
Genel Morgan

From: Dennis Murphy <dennis@dennisjmurphy.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 10:48 AM

To: Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>

Cc: Eric Rodriguez <eric@ericrodriguez.com>; Joe Goethals

<jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>; dianepapan@gmail.com; Maureen Freschet

<mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org>; Rick Bonilla <RBonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>; Diane

Papan <dpapan@cityofsanmateo.org>; Eric Rodriguez

<erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>; Joe Goethals <jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>;

Devra Harris <devraharris@comcast.net>

Subject: San Mateo/Glendale Village Supports Measure P & Against Competing Measure
- For July 16, 2018 Council Meeting Record

Dear San Mateo City Hall/San Mateo City Council, unfortunately I will not be able to attend the July 16 City Council meeting and I am writing this email as President of the San Mateo/Glendale Village Neighborhood Association, and on behalf of the residents of San Mateo/Glendale Village to express our total support for the continuation of Measure P and also our unwavering opposition to any competing measure as has been discussed by members of the San Mateo City Council to relax height limits for new developments in the City of San Mateo. Having had multiple discussions with numerous Village residents, it is overly apparent that the community is in full support for the continuation of Measure P and against any competing measure! Our community has reached its boiling point with a city government that continues to put developers and economics ahead of its citizens and neighborhoods. Our quality of life is at stake! Our neighborhoods are at stake! Residents of the Village already can't get in and out of our neighborhood at certain times of the day due to rampant gridlock as our City currently doesn't have the infrastructure to support our current traffic patterns, and now we're hearing the Council wants to relax height limits so we can build taller buildings, and bring additional density to the City that can't support it! No Way! Enough is enough! YES to Measure P and absolutely NO to any competing measure!

Dennis Murphy

President, San Mateo/Glendale Village Neighborhood Association

From: Michael Nash <mnash900@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, July 6, 2018 11:14:36 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Support the Citizen's Measure on Height Limits

Dear City Council:

I am writing to you to add my voice to the many who are supporting the Citizens' measure to continue current height limits. I understand you are voting on July 16th to place the measure on the ballot. I am asking for you to vote "yes".

I am just one of approximately 7,000 people who signed the petition to ensure the people have a chance to vote on this measure. The number of supporters is enough to make it an easy decision to put it on the ballot. To deny it would reflect badly on the City's leadership.

According to the latest Census data, there are 64,123 registered voters in San Mateo. Almost 11% of them support this measure, and in my own canvassing efforts 90% of those asked signed because they want to see a vote. Failing to support this measure would indicate to the City's residents that their substantial expression of interest in voting on the measure was not enough to gain our Council's support.

I personally want to see a new regimen of height and density goals for San Mateo but only when it is done as part of the General Plan update process, and includes detailed descriptions of where such changes will be and why they are good for the City. Until that work is done, it makes sense to extend the current rules.

Please vote Yes!

Regards,

Michael Nash
mnash900@gmail.com
650 400 6274

From: Jeanne Paschal <jampaschal@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 4:44:24 PM

To: Eric Rodriguez; Maureen Freschet; Diane Papan; Joe Goethals; Rick Bonilla

Subject: Extend the current building heights limitations

Dear Council Members,

I am writing in regards to the building heights in the City of San Mateo.

I signed the petition, knowingly and informed, to extend the current building height limitations. I believe this measure should be put on the ballot and the decided by the voters. It should not have required the efforts of the residents to bring this forward.

Let the voters decide; that is democracy!

J. Paschal

From: Diana Prisk <dianaprisk@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 9:05:59 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Citizens Measure to Extend Height Limit

Dear City Council Members:

I understand you are voting on July 16th to place the Citizen's measure on the ballot to extend the height limits. I am just one of many who deeply believe this democratic process should not be cast aside, and anticipate that you will move this forward in the process since thousands of San Mateans put their signatures to the petition to support this. We are all voters and we have very long memories!

Please do the right thing and put this measure on the ballot for the voters of San Mateo to decide. Remember the folks who voted you into office, and believe in you to do the right thing by your City.

Sincerely,

Diana Prisk
Representative of Woodlake Association
SMUHA, 2nd VP

From: Kathleen Ross <laspedras@att.net>

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 10:02:53 PM

To: Eric Rodriguez; Maureen Freschet; Diane Papan; Joe Goethals; Rick Bonilla

Subject: Height limits - and the California Public Policy survey

Hello,

I am a long time resident of San Mateo (21 years!). I have not been politically active (other than voting regularly) in the past. However, I am so concerned about the level of commercial/multi-unit development that has been recently discussed for approval that I have decided to become involved in our city's political actions.

There is a significant controversy swirling around our community about height limits. Even a proposal by the moneyed non-residents of this city to build a 12 story building near the train station is being seriously considered. These same interests are apparently behind the survey regarding height limits that is currently circulating through our email systems. You should know that California Public Policy surveys is a company that will help develop surveys to "prove a point" - and the wording of the questions supports this view. There is a subtle but clear slant in the positioning of the questions. This survey will not be a true reflection of the views of San Mateo's residents.

We have enjoyed the quality of life that San Mateo offers for two decades. Your continual approval of new building projects has started an erosion of this community, driving it toward the development of a mini-San Jose (that is not meant as a compliment to San Jose). But casting out the current limits on height will add to the erosion of quality of life we have enjoyed here.

I am working with my neighbors to identify who in the City Council supports this change. We think that when elections come up we could give money and time to the new candidates who are willing to work to reverse such poor decisions.

I hope I am not the only one raising concerns about the direction this move toward more development is taking. I know my neighbors are also uncomfortable with this trend.

Kathy Ross



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Mayor Rick Bonilla and City Council
City of San Mateo
330 West 20th Avenue
San Mateo, CA 94403

Dear Mayor Bonilla and Councilmembers,

The San Mateo County Economic Development Association (SAMCEDA) is an economic development and advocacy organization representing the interests of member businesses and public institutions on important economic, political and social issues throughout the Bay Area. SAMCEDA supports projects and issues which have the potential to positively impact the economic, environmental and social well-being of businesses, communities and residents in the region.

The recent success of our local economy has been a benefit to our region in many ways but there are clearly issues that have arisen as a result - in particular traffic congestion and the lack of affordable housing.

SAMCEDA supports policies that are addressing these two very important issues and we also raise concerns and objections to policies we view as counterproductive to solving these critical issues.

Specifically, we believe that the initiative submitted recently to extend height and density limits throughout the entire city until 2030 is misguided and will discourage and impede best planning practices of addressing the issues of traffic congestion and affordable housing. We do support the extension of height limits in residential neighborhoods but we believe that allowing higher and denser proposals near mass transit is necessary.

In order to encourage the use of mass transit and get people out of their cars, and address the lack of affordable housing, every city on the Peninsula is promoting policies to concentrate higher and denser housing near mass transit.

Specifically in San Bruno which also has had a citywide height and density limit restriction, that City in 2014 recognized the limitations of such a policy in addressing the issues of traffic and housing by asking the voters to approve a ballot measure to increase heights and densities along their major transit corridors. The voters of San Bruno overwhelmingly approved that measure.

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The additional challenge facing all Peninsula cities is the increasing impact of internet sales on our local retailers. Clearly when the initial height and density limits in San Mateo were enacted in 1991, the internet was in its infancy and its impact on the world was unknown. Nearly 30 years later, it is having a dramatic impact on retailers. And since retail sales and the sales taxes they generate are the lifeblood funding city services such as police, fire, parks and libraries, cities are also concentrating higher and denser housing near their major retail areas in order to increase the foot traffic for those retailers.

For all these reasons, SAMCEDA would respectfully urge the Council to place an alternative measure on the ballot for November which would continue height limits throughout San Mateo residential neighborhoods but would allow higher and denser proposals to be submitted in the Downtown and near the Hillsdale train station.

Such a measure will allow the city to address affordable housing issues in a 21st Century way. It will allow the city to continue encouraging the use of mass transit to reduce traffic congestion. And it will assist major retail centers and businesses in San Mateo in the Downtown and near Hillsdale Train Station in this struggling retail climate.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

Rosanne Foust
President & CEO

cc: Robert Webster, President and CEO, Bohannon Development Company

From: Karen & Kim Schoknecht <kk.schoknecht@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 10:55:44 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Building Heights Limits Measure

Dear City Council

As 38-year residents of Aragon Boulevard, we ask that you place the citizens' building height limits measure on the upcoming ballot, so the citizens of our city whom you represent can vote on its future.

This matter so directly affects our community that its citizenship as a whole should be allowed to vote on it. We'll be counting on you to put this matter on the ballot, where the impact of developers' contributions can take second seat to the wishes of the people who live here.

Thank you very much,

Kim and Karen Schoknecht
kk.schoknecht@gmail.com

From: Karen C. Sid <ckarengo@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 9, 2018 11:35:02 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Joe Goethals; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Important vote on July 16

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to ask you to please honor your commitment to represent the people of San Mateo: since you have received a valid petition with more than enough valid signatures, please allow Measure P to be placed on the November ballot. Please do not stand in the way of allowing voters to have a voice; let the will of the people – the democratic process -- determine the future of building height limits in San Mateo. Don't keep this measure from being voted on.

Along the same lines, I ask you as representatives of all of San Mateo not to place a competing measure on the ballot that would give any developers special rights and privileges that would exempt them from height and density limits and that would confuse voters. I thank those of you who do not support this unnecessary and harmful counter measure.

I respectfully ask you to be beholden to voters rather than to special interests or special agendas.

I would greatly appreciate acknowledgment of this email.

Sincerely,
Karen Sid

From: Jo Silken <josilken@me.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 1:04:00 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Citizens building height limits measure on ballot

Dear City Council;

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

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- 2) I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them
- 3) I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

Joanne S Silken

1919 Alameda de las Pulgas

143

San Mateo, CA 94403

josilken@me.com

From: Belinda Steyer <belindasteyer@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 1:31:36 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council:

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

1)

I support allowing our citizen's to vote on this important development matter

2)

I want everyone in the city to become more educated about the issue and its impact on them

3)

I want the city to discuss this in the open public setting, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

Sincerely,
Belinda Steyer

From: Ronald Stillian <stillian@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 8:39:09 AM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Building height limits measure

Dear City Council;

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the Citizen's building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for this your support of this democratic process because:

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I want the city to discuss this publically, and not behind closed doors where developer money calls the shots.

From: eptshome@aol.com <eptshome@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 8, 2018 7:19:50 AM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Measure P

Dear Sir,

I am a San Mateo resident requesting you and the other board members to please include Measure P option on the November election.

Thank You,

Elaine Thompson

From: Katherine Van Beckum <kitty3022@icloud.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2018 2:51:36 PM

To: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Eric Rodriguez; Joe Goethals; Maureen Freschet

Subject: Extension of Measure P

Council Members,

I'm so disappointed and angry with Mayor Bonilla and Council members Goethals & Papan's support of a competing measure/carve outs. To keep it simple I request that each of you listen to the citizens of San Mateo and approve Measure P for the November ballot. Resist, don't sell out to special interests.

Regards,

Katherine Van Beckum

From: Lisa Vande Voorde <fitstart@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 6:44:58 PM

To: Joe Goethals

Cc: Rick Bonilla; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: No Carve Outs -- Let An Extension of Measure P Win or Lose This November

Dear Councilmember Goethals,

I was absolutely floored watching the video of the Monday June 18th City Council meeting when I witnessed your about-face in regards to the citizen initiative petition to extend Measure P. My gosh, you at one point not too long ago offered to help collect signatures for the effort, although you never followed through. What changed Mr. Goethals? Does the support (and financial backing) from the Building & Trade Council and Bohannon Development Co. mean more to you than the community that you represent?

At literally the twelfth hour, five hours into an exhausting night, you come up with a competing measure, when all the Council was tasked to do was clarify AB1505 issues. I can only offer my sincerest thanks to Councilmembers Rodriguez and Freschet who pushed back against your idea, underscoring the original reason you all were supposed to be discussing in the first place. But it's interesting and sad that you rather give carte blanche to developers like Bohannon to develop as high and as dense as they desire in designated "carve out" areas, the desires of the people be damned. The 7,000 people who signed the petition wanting to see an extension of Measure P on the ballot this November (who knew full well what they were signing by the way, and any suggestion to the contrary is frankly offensive) do not support continuing Measure P height and density limits **EXCEPT** near train stations. They support the continuation of those heights and density limits throughout the **ENTIRE** city of San Mateo. Why? Because they care about quality of life issues that over-development brings. They are concerned about traffic. They are concerned about maintaining the suburban character of our community. I know, because I personally spoke with hundreds of them. We count on our elected officials to represent us, the people of San Mateo. I voted for you because I didn't think you'd bow to special interest groups. Maybe I made a mistake.

I sincerely hope that you and Councilmembers Bonilla and Papan will re-consider the idea of placing a competing measure on the ballot this November. A measure to adhere to AB1505 should the Measure P extension vote fail, yes. But adding provision that gives developers a free pass, no. To paraphrase a statement made by Councilmember Freschet late Monday night, I ask that you all join in her to decision to "respect the process" regarding the upcoming citizen's ballot measure by rejecting the proposal for a competing City Council ballot measure.

Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Sincerely yours,
Lisa Vande Voorde
168 Arbor Lane
San Mateo

From: **Ellen Wang** <lilac16@att.net>

Date: Mon, Jul 9, 2018 at 4:28 PM

Subject: for 7/16 meeting approval of citizens petition

To: Rick Bonilla <rbonilla@cityofsanmateo.org>, Maureen Freschet <mfreschet@cityofsanmateo.org>, Joe Goethals <jgoethals@cityofsanmateo.org>, Diane Papan <dianepapan@gmail.com>, "erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org" <erodriguez@cityofsanmateo.org>

Cc: Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>

To City Councilwomen and City Councilmen,
Via email

The purpose of this letter is to encourage you to approve a ballot measure to extend measure P by residents' petition. I am one of the over 120 San Mateo residents who collected over 7000 signatures to extend Measure P before it sunsets, so that it can be placed on the November 2018 ballot.

Knocking on doors to collect signatures was an amazing experience. I met like-minded people concerned about San Mateo. Perhaps you felt the same way while meeting people during your City Council candidate campaigns. I was in several different neighborhoods and outside the 25th Avenue Farmers' Market, just a stroll down Hacienda for me. People come from all over. I spoke to residents who live near the Belmont border and live uphill off Polhemus Road. I spoke to residents of all ages, renters and homeowners, newly arrived and long-timers, young workers and retirees.

Resident-registered voters gave myriad reasons for signing the petition:
Here are common themes:

- 1- Gives current San Mateoans a **voice** in their future.
- 2- Allows for responsible (balanced) (measured) (slow) growth.
- 3- Allows for affordable housing
- 4- Maintains consideration of impact to neighborhood (ambiance) (amenities.)
- 5- I prefer (3) (4) stories. However, to meet regional requirements and do our fair share I'll compromise at 55 feet.
- 6- Let's see the effects of what is in the pipeline now before we permit anything else.

I look forward to your support and approval of this ballot measure at the City Council meeting Monday evening, July 16, 2018.

Sincerely,
Ellen Wang

From: Karen Wong <kawwong@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 8:18:21 AM

To: Rick Bonilla; Joe Goethals; Diane Papan; Maureen Freschet; Eric Rodriguez

Subject: Place the Citizen's Building Height Limits Measure on the Ballot

Dear City Council,

As a voting citizen of San Mateo, I support placing the citizens' building height limits measure on the ballot and letting the citizens of our city vote on its future. I am asking for your support of this democratic process because:

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Sincerely,
Karen Wong

From: Linda Yates <lineyates@hotmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, July 7, 2018 3:07:48 PM

To: Diane Papan

Subject: Measure P

Dear Council Woman Papan

The citizens of San Mateo collected the 7,000 signatures to place on the petition on the ballot

and we trust you as elected members of San Mateo city Council to do the right thing and place our petition on the November ballot.

Sincerely,

Linda Yates