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San Mateo City Council
330 West 20th Ave.
San Mateo, CA 94403
Re: Council meetings
Attn: Council Members

July 6, 2020

Dear Council Members,

I'm mystified as to why you allow non-residents to speak at Council meetings and more perplexing is why you listen to them and actually let them influence your opinions.

A new rule should be that when people attend a Council meeting they must show some form of ID and if they are not residents they must sit in their own section of the hall so everyone will know they don't represent the interests of San Mateo.

When Bohannon could not muster enough signatures to place a measure they wanted on the ballot, "you carried their water" and put the measure on the ballot anyway.

Bohannon is in San Mateo to make M-O-N-E-Y and will do whatever it takes to do so.

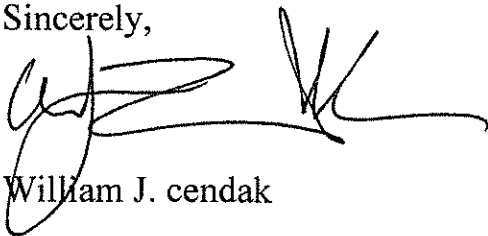
You as a group selling yourselves for their interests can be called that other "P" word - politician.

You were voted into office to represent San Mateo residents not special interest groups, especially not those from out of town, or corporations attempting to ruin our community. I lived and worked most of my life in San Francisco. I moved here to avoid the traffic, over-crowding and tall buildings.

Now I have to deal with you people who want to make this city another San Francisco, Los Angeles, or New York.

What is wrong with San Mateo the way it is?

Sincerely,



William J. cendak

Subject: Support for a Better San Mateo
From: " >
Date: Wed, July 15, 2020 9:02 am
To: residents@sm4neighborhoodprotection.com

Dear Mayor Goethals and the San Mateo City Council,

I am writing to you in support of a balanced approach to the future of San Mateo. Along with my neighbors, housing advocates, and the business community, I encourage the Council's support for the alternative measure to height and density limits - the Neighborhood Protection, Housing Opportunity and Affordability Act. San Mateans deserve a real choice on the ballot to support preserving neighborhood height limits while also granting flexibility to the City to better plan for our opportunity areas. Please join us in granting voters the chance to decide in November.

Respectfully,
Silvana Garetz

From: Michael <>

Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2020 10:12 AM

To: City Council (San Mateo) <CityCouncil@cityofsanmateo.org>

Cc: Drew Corbett <dcorbett@cityofsanmateo.org>; Patrice Olds <polds@cityofsanmateo.org>; Shawn Mason <smason@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: SMRG Postiion re: Ballot arguments discussion July 20, 2020 Council meeting

July 8, 2020

RE: Ballot arguments discussion July 20, 2020 Council meeting

Dear Mayor Goethals & City Council members Bonilla, Lee, Papan, and Rodriguez,

Per the Elections Code, San Mateans for Responsive Government (SMRG) will be submitting the **primary argument in favor** of our measure. We will also submit the **primary argument against** the competing measure.

Background:

SMRG members watched the June 29th council meeting and took particular interest in your discussion of whether the Council itself would write any of the ballot arguments about the two planning measures. We understand that you decided that the Council will NOT write a **primary argument in favor** of either of those two measures.

You then discussed the **primary ballot arguments against** each of the measures. In the end, you stated that the Council would not draft any such argument but seem to have left that decision open until the July 20th meeting to get feedback from the two groups who circulated the petitions. You expect that these two groups will write those arguments, and asked that interested parties contact the city with their intentions.

San Mateans for Responsive Government will be submitting the **primary argument in favor of** our measure, in accordance with the Elections Code. The Council agreed that it is only logical that the group that originally circulated the competing measure will submit the **primary argument in favor of** that one. This symmetry and fairness makes logical sense.

That same symmetry, fairness, and logic also apply to the **primary arguments against** each of the measures. San Mateans for Responsive Government will be writing and submitting the **primary ballot argument against** the competing measure.

As provided in the Elections Code, the text of both arguments will be delivered to the City Clerk by the 5PM deadline on Friday, August 14th.

We expect that this assurance of our participation answers the open issues for the City Council. Please email us, or call us at 650 539-4930 if you have any questions about this.

Sincerely,

Michael Weinbauer

for San Mateans for Responsive Government

cc: Drew Corbett, City Manager
Patrice Olds, City Clerk
Shawn Mason, City Attorney