

Rendell Bustos

From: Joe DeFelice [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 8:03 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Block 21 Development

Hello,

I urge the Planning Commission to deny the request of the developer to increase the size of the Block 21 development to 6 stories. Based on the information in the article below from the San Mateo Daily Journal, that would result in a height of 72 feet (after city approval of a waiver of Measure Y), 30% higher than the measure Y limit. Measure Y was passed for good reasons, and if the housing to office/retail mix needs to be adjusted in new development, it should generally be done within that framework.

[San Mateo's Block 21 development adds 6th level | Local News | smdailyjournal.com](https://www.smdailyjournal.com/news/san-mateo-block-21-development-adds-6th-level/article_1234567890.html)

Thank you,
Joe DeFelice
San Mateo (Sunnybrae Area)

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From: Rendell Bustos
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 8:21 AM
To: DA
Subject: RE: Block 21

Good morning,

Thank you for your comment. I will keep a record of the comment for Planning Commission consideration.

Regards,

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

From: DA [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 7:35 AM
To: Planning Commission <PlanningCommission@cityofsanmateo.org>
Subject: Block 21

Hello Commissioner's,
I'm glad to see that the developer has added more housing, but there should be more 2 bedroom and three bedroom units. Not having those does not allow families to move in which does not make it equitable for people with children.

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From: martha moore [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 6:02 AM
To: Rendell Bustos
Subject: block 21 project- one residents opinion

Hello,

Thank you for your response to my phone call regarding the lack of parking currently proposed for the new Block 21 development, specifically for the residential units.

It is my opinion that each unit should be required to have at least one parking space IN THE BUILDINGS GARAGE. It is naive of the city, and a way for the builder to save money, to assume the residents will not have cars, especially now that I have read the developer is proposing a 6th floor variance at this point in the process. The city has control of this project prior to approval.

Now is the time to increase residential parking in the footprint, not after it is built and parking becomes a significant problem downtown.

The city does need housing, but it needs to be thoughtfully designed. Unfortunately cars are a reality for most people in the Bay Area still.

I realize there are many cities that are easily manouvered with public transportation, but the bay area has not gotten there yet.

Thank you for your time,

Martha Moore