

Comments received by May 9, 2022, 5:00pm

From: annmarie emmons
Sent: Friday, May 06, 2022 11:49 PM
To: David Hanham
Subject: Re: Agenda Item 1

My name is Annmarie Emmons and I am a long-time resident of Pinole. I would like to comment on
1. Comprehensive Design Review DR20-10/PL20-0072 BCRE Project as follows:

It looks like a beautiful design, however, It appears to be 60 feet plus tall and it appears that it will stand taller than the existing condominiums, apartments and The Pinole Senior Village. I am concerned that it will tower over the other buildings on Estates Avenue. I am concerned that my home value and other residents home values will decrease in the area. As we drive down Faria Avenue, we all will see balconies full of people, junk and possibly barbecue smoke from the balconies and from the roof top. It appears that it will be an eyesore and will decrease our home value because it evasively sits above other building in the area. I vote No on the current design. Maybe, if it were 2 or 3 stories tall and the balconies were not facing the existing community.

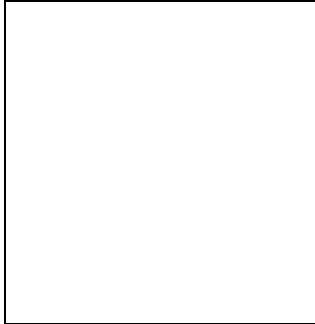
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From: annmarie emmons
Sent: Monday, May 09, 2022 3:29 PM
To: Maureen Toms; David Hanham; Andrew Murray; Justin Shiu; Andrew Murray; Devin Murphy; Neil Gang; Anthony Tave; Norma Martinez-Rubin; Vincent Salimi
Subject: Re: All proposed apartment units for 2022 and 2023 and beyond
Importance: High

I have an idea for the old Kmart building! What about miniature golf Like Scandia in Fairfield. We have nothing fun in this town. It doesn't have to be as big as Scandia in Fairfield. It doesn't have to include an arcade or go-cart race cars or it could. We need some fun. A Cal Train station and a Ferry Terminal would be fun, too. It might allow Bay dinner cruises and Cal Train would allow people to hook up to Bart and work in Silicon Valley. We need to think about transportation before we think of more apartments.

Here is a link to a list of cities in The San Francisco Bay Area. It includes the population and square mileage of each city. [List of cities and towns in the San Francisco Bay Area - Wikipedia](#) The Housing Element does not give cities a housing unit quota and it has been around since 1969, so it is not new law. Most of the need for housing, affordable or not, is down in Silicon Valley and San Jose. Silicon Valley has made shacks in San Jose worth millions of dollars. Our houses are affordable and we can not with stain all these apartments. These

proposed apartments will JAM all the freeway on-ramps and cause a dangerous situation if we need to evacuate. Your traffic assessment and report are incorrect and are NEGLIGENT and DANGEROUS.



List of cities and towns in the San Francisco Bay Area

The San Francisco Bay Area, commonly known as the Bay Area, is a metropolitan region surrounding the San Francisco Bay estuaries in Northern California. The region is home to three major cities: San Francisco, Oakland and, the largest, San Jose. The Bay Area has been inhabited since antiquity, first by the Ohlone and Miwok peoples, followed by the Spanish, who first arrived in 1769 and ...
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We have tank farm hill on 80 east, Chevron Refinery, Conco Phillips Refinery in Hercules/Rodeo and Shell Refinery in Martines, and maybe BP Refinery in Benecia. We also have miles, and miles of watershed land beginning with the hill behind my house and going all the way to Lafayette. I is all grasslands that can easily go up in flames. To complicate the situation further, the Franklin Canyon Golf course is being redeveloped into an RV recreational and camping facility with RV residency spots for people to live there. All of you are not listening to experts Pete Murray and Debbie Long. All of you are making this town dangerous. We have real threats and possible disasters that may require evacuation. This town CANNOT with stain all these proposed apartments as expert Pete Murray has stated in the attached memo I just read, today.

We probably have Planning Committee requirements that include residency and homeownership in Pinole. If you go through with all these apartments that experts have said no to, you all could be held liable for negligence and may be held liable personally. You have all been warned and you all chose to go against expert advice to not allow all of these apartments. The apartment you propose to approve will have a rooftop penthouse and rooftop gardens for the tenants. It will be more than 60 feet tall with a rooftop penthouse and garden. It may become a threat to all of the residents that use Faria Avenue. We will never who is on the roof. It could also become a problem for the Police that protect the city and the children at Pinole Valley High School. It is against our town's height policies for residential use. Please keep the residents of Pinole safe by taking the advice of experts and the long-time policies set for residential use.

Sincerely,

Annmarie Emmons, Pinole Resident and Homeowner