Subject: FW: June 22nd City Council meeting for Item 10.4

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:59:18 PM

From: laura lee <

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 12:14 PM **To:** City Clerk <

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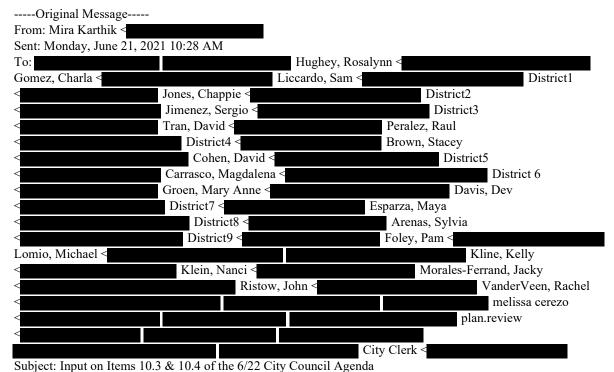
Sincerely submitted,

Laura Lee

resident of Market Place Condominium.

Subject: FW: Input on Items 10.3 & 10.4 of the 6/22 City Council Agenda

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:55:58 PM



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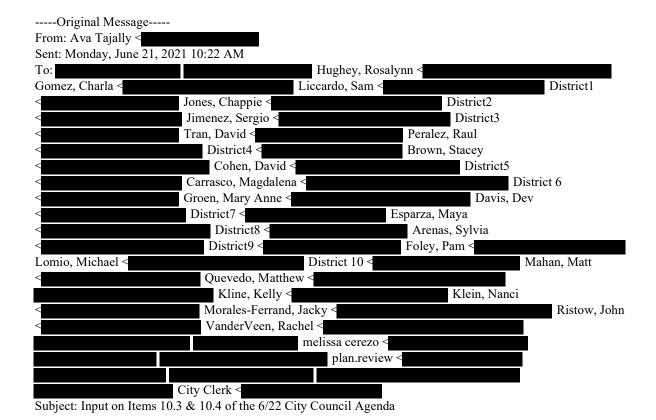
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Sincerely, Mira Karthik, District 10 Resident

From: City Clerk
To: Agendadesk

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Sincerely,

Ava

Sent from my iPhone

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Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:46:09 AM



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From: City Clerk **Agendadesk** To:

Subject: FW: June 22, 2021, Agenda Item 10.4 on Planned Devpt Zoning for Real Property located at 1590 Berryessa

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:45:54 AM **Attachments:** LLA SJ Flea Market Advocacy Letter (1).pdf

From: Chair LLA < Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:38 AM To: City Clerk < Liccardo, Sam < Jones, Chappie < Davis, Dev < Carrasco, Magdalena < Arenas, Sylvia Esparza, Maya < Jimenez, Sergio < Foley, Pam < Cohen, David < Mahan, Peralez, Raul < Matt < Elizabeth Castaneda < Cc: Subject: June 22, 2021, Agenda Item 10.4 on Planned Devpt Zoning for Real Property located at

1590 Berryessa Road

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones and City Councilmembers,

Please see attached letter from the Latino Leadership Alliance regarding concerns of the proposed rezoning at 1590 Berryessa Road, the location of the San Jose Flea Market.

Sincerely,

Lennies M. Gutierrez Chair, Latino Leadership Alliance www.latinoleadershipalliance.org

Subject: FW: Please no further delay of item 10.4 **Date:** Monday, June 21, 2021 9:27:37 AM

From: Yen Nguyen <
Sent: Saturday, June 19, 2021 10:31 PM

To: Theodoros Toulas < City Clerk < District 10

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The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

Subject: Please no further delay of item 10.4

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Hello,

Please no further delay of item 10.4. Approve the Berryessa BART Transit Village Project NOW, so our neighborhood parks and creek trails will be completed and more options for restaurants and shopping in our neighborhood.

Thanks,

Yen Nguyen

Subject: FW: Please and Please no further delay of item 10.4

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:23:23 AM

Attachments: <u>image002.png</u>

From: Changran Wei <
Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 3:47 PM

To: City Clerk < The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

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District5 < District 6

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District 10

Subject: Please and Please no further delay of item 10.4

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Dear Officer,

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Thanks!

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Ryan Wei

Software Engineer Systems Infrastructure





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Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 3:45 PM

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Subject: Please and Please no further delay of item 10.4

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Dear Officer,

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This is super critical for our community. Our entire community has been waiting for this for a long time. It is also the biggest reason we purchase the property here.

Please approve the Berryessa BART Transit Village Project **NOW**, so our neighborhood parks and creek trails will be completed and there will be more options for restaurants and shopping in our neighborhood.

Thanks!

Best,

Cassie Gong

Regards,

Changran Wei

Subject: FW: Please no further delay of item 10.4 **Date:** Monday, June 21, 2021 9:19:25 AM

Subject: Please no further delay of item 10.4

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Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:15:47 AM



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Liz Gallegos Glynn District 1 resident

Subject: FW: Input on Agenda Items 10.3 & 10.4 of the 6/22 City Council Meeting

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:15:27 AM

From: Bob Jung <
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 8:00 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <
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City Clerk <

Subject: Input on Agenda Items 10.3 & 10.4 of the 6/22 City Council Meeting

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and the San José City Council,

The Berryessa Flea Market is far more than stalls and vendors. In many ways, it is one of San José's neighborhoods, and it's a community we do not want to lose.

Making a hasty decision to expedite development may yield short-term financial benefit for a few, but could destroy a San José community forever. A city is much more than buildings and development. It's our communities that create a city's heart and soul.

I came to understand this during the 2020 primary election season. I volunteered every weekend to staff a stall to register voters, talk about healthcare, and campaign for candidates. I quickly learned what a strong community existed among the regular vendors in nearby stalls. They are like good neighbors who help and look after one another. After a few weekends, they recognized us, and warmly welcomed us into their community. Many vendors are family businesses, and many of their young kids would be playing with other "neighborhood" kids. (Sometimes the kids would hang out in our stall which was a lot of fun.)

I did have arguments with the vendor across from us. He wanted to give me free food, and I would argue (usually unsuccessfully) that I wanted to pay! Sometimes he would send his kids to bring us food. Once I managed to put money in his cash box, but then he gave food to my fellow volunteers and told them that I had paid for them!

The Covid-19 lockdown started just when the primary season ended. So I have not been back to the Flea Market for 16 months. It's nice that I don't need to get up early on the weekends to head over to Berryessa, but I sometimes miss the warm, friendly Flea Market community.

There are other ways the Berryessa Flea market benefits San José:

Quality & Cost of Living: Silicon Valley's cost of living makes it difficult for many San José families, but the Flea Market is one place that makes things more affordable. More importantly this includes better value for fresh fruits and vegetables which is critical for their health.

Cultural variety: Many vendors come from our immigrant and refugee communities and sell goods and products that bring cultural richness to San José, something important to preserve.

Unique Affordable Fun: People from San José (often with out-of-town visitors) go to the Flea Market for inexpensive fun. It's a friendly place with eclectic and unique shopping experiences. It offers something that cannot be found in one of those large expanses of big box or outlet stores.

Sustainability: With our climate and environmental crises, it's imperative that we minimize the waste we send to the landfill and reduce our consumption. Many vendors sell "pre-owned" goods like tools, furniture, toys, etc. We need to encourage this "recycling" model to help us to become a more sustainable society. Traditional retail encourages our disposable lifestyle.

In conclusion, I understand that change is inevitable, but please "press hold", and spend the time and effort (and involve the vendor community) to find the best way for the development to preserve, as much as possible, the good that the Berryessa Flea Market community brings to San José.

Thank you for your consideration, Bob Jung

From: Gomez, Charla
To: Agendadesk

Subject: Re: 6/22/21: Council Item 10.3 (GP20-008/C21-001) and 10.4 (PDC17-051)

Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 8:15:31 AM

Attachments: <u>Input on Items 10.3 & 10.4 of the 6-22 - Public Correspondance.pdf</u>

Good Morning,

We got one last email this morning to add. Please see attached the single PDF.

We may have additional emails arriving in the next 24 hours. Should I send those to you too? When is the time limit? We may have emails arriving all the way until the hearing begins tomorrow.

Thanks,

Charla

From: Agendadesk <

Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 12:12 PM

To: Gomez, Charla <

Subject: Re: 6/22/21: Council Item 10.3 (GP20-008/C21-001) and 10.4 (PDC17-051)

Hi Charla,

Please send by this week.

One redacted combined pdf would be fine.

Thank you for forwarding!

Agenda Desk

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From: Gomez, Charla <

Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:56 AM

To: Agendadesk <

Subject: 6/22/21: Council Item 10.3 (GP20-008/C21-001) and 10.4 (PDC17-051)

Hello,

I understand I have to forward you the public correspondence via email for these two items for next CC hearing next week.

I wonder if you can please confirm this is the case and the deadline to send you this. I will send one combined PDF file with all emails. or please let me know how I should proceed.

Thanks!

Charla Gomez, AICP LEED-ND Eco-Districts AP
Planner IV – Supervising Planner, Station Area Planning Team
City of San Jose | Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement
200 E Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower | San Jose, CA 95113
Office

From: City Clerk
To: Agendadesk

Subject: FW: Please no further delay of item 10.4 **Date:** Monday, June 21, 2021 4:00:37 PM

-----Original Message----From: Edwin Hu <
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:05 PM

To: City Clerk <
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