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Carol McCarthy - Fwd: Do NOT build a football stadium in Santa Clara!

From: Kim Fettahlioglu
To: Carol McCarthy
Date: 11/20/2007 5:07 PM
Subject: Fwd: Do NOT build a football stadium in Santa Clara!
CC: Jennifer Hardie
Attachments: Do NOT build a football stadium in Santa Clara!

I have repeatedly made previous requests to the City of Santa Clara to halt development. I failed to get your attention when you sold Agnews to Sun Corporation, and we lost an opportunity to preserve a heritage site and a beautiful open space for our community.

Now, you are trying to develop a football stadium for the 49er's. This stadium will cost city dwellers money, create enormous traffic and liability problems, and deprive our citizens of yet another area which would be better served as open space.

Think of other big cities that made the decision to plan for beautiful open spaces - such as San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, New York City's Central Park, London's Hyde Park, and Athens' Kings Gardens, to name a few. Do we need more "development?" How about creating a park, which will provide a beautiful respite to citizens, as well as transform toxic carbon dioxide into refreshing oxygen.

I have included Mr. Fleck's appeal in my book *Silicon Valley: Fact and Fiction*, which will be published in December. I hope I will not have to update it with the sad news that you have done the unthinkable.

My parents bought our home on Baird Avenue in 1963, and we continue to reside there. I also vote, and I'll remember each of you at election time.

Regards,

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From: "Nick McCurdy" <nick@nickandrozane.com>
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Date: 11/20/2007 2:28 PM
Subject: Stadium

Mayor and City Council,

Please stop wasting city resources on this stadium proposal. No matter how much money the council spends on studies, it will still be a great deal for the forty-niners, and a bad deal for the city.

The latest attempt to fleece my city's money through redevelopment funds is more even more reprehensible and disgusting than fleecing the utility emergency fund. The proponents of the stadium have their priorities scrambled. To give either of these two suggestions any consideration beyond immediate dismissal is a dire dereliction of your duty to the city and its citizens. The stadium will be a liability and we should not pay anything for it. Redevelopment funds for affordable housing and utility emergency funds are both critical needs for the city, a stadium just does not compare in importance.

If the forty-niners must move here, fine, they can pay for the land, pay for the permits, and pay the taxes. No subsidy from the city is necessary. I would prefer that they just go bother another city. We have wasted a half-million in studies, that is already too much in my book. Also, The forty-niners have shown that they have no regard or respect for our city just by mere suggestion of using either of these two important funding sources for their playground. Do we really want that kind of 'neighbor' in our city?

Kaiser built a new hospital in Santa Clara for significantly less than the proposed stadium's projected cost. A hospital! A hospital is used 24/7/365 to save lives, help people, bring new lives into the world. A hospital employs people from across the economic and educational spectrums - full-time, with benefits. A stadium is used a few days a year to play a game. A stadium will employ part-time low-wage earners on a seasonal basis. Probably with minimal, if any, benefits. Did Kaiser demand or receive any subsidy from the city?

My point is this: There are much better things we can do with this land and money than to subsidize a playground where some people watch other people play a game. Get your priorities unscrambled.

Sincerely,

Nick McCurdy,

Citizen and Voter,

Santa Clara, CA.

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From: Lupe Robles-Sane <lrs33@comcast.net>
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Date: 11/20/2007 12:09 PM
Subject: Bonds to support '49ers stadium

To the City Council Members: We urge you to consider very closely the possibility of committing the city and its residents to taking money from the Redevelopment Authority Affordable Housing Fund to help meet the '49ers subsidy. This is very serious and we are very uneasy about it.

Lupe Robles-Sane and Jim Sane

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From: <jsane@comcast.net>
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Date: 11/20/2007 1:17 PM
Subject: the proposed raid of the RDA affordable housing borrowing

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capacity
> is outrageous and unconscionable. The irony that this indefensible raid is
> presented on the eve of the Thanksgiving Holiday is apparent to all, excepting
> the Santa Clara City Council.

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From: "Donald P.Buchanan" <dbuch981@msn.com>
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CC: "Law Offices of J. Byron Fleck" <jbyronflecklaw@sbcglobal.net>
Date: 11/20/2007 12:31 PM
Subject: You Are a Public Cabal !

Mayor, Council & City Staff
City of Santa Clara, California

All Concerned,

Enough already !

Have you all lost your minds ?

You are foolish squandering public funds trying to appear sophisticated when everyone knows the Yorks are just using you as a ploy to garnish better trappings in San Francisco !

You have already made Santa Clara the laughing stock of the bay area if not the whole country, chasing your silly dreams of building big stadiums and believing the 49er's want to leave San Francisco.

Kindly explain your collective rational tonight on the following two points;

1.How do public Redevelopment Agency funds ever get construed to mean one subsidized home for just a lousy ball club ?

According to today's SF Examiner:
Examiner SAN FRANCISCO (News<about:/Dateline-SAN FRANCISCO.html>) - Subsidized homes planned for low-income families, seniors and people with disabilities would be sacrificed in Santa Clara to woo the 49ers away from San Francisco under a new proposal that will be discussed by the Santa Clara City Council tonight

2.How is it that you seven (7) representatives on the city council vote unanimously, continually, supporting such a contentious issue ?

Such arrogance and stupidity is hard to imagine !

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