

Please fund the South Reno Fencing Project

Elaine Proffitt <devaswhispers@everyactioncustom.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 11:28 AM

To: Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Dear City Council Members,

What have WE Become? Putting Developers and Money over the preservation of Our Beautiful Wildlife. They do not deserve this nor should OUR City Council ALLOW this to happen. Personally I find any Developer who comes in and destroys OUR land and harms our wildlife not worthy of building on this land. How would HE/They like it if they were cut off for their drinking water their families denied water. I am a concerned citizen based in Reno Nevada. I care about the welfare of the free-roaming Virginia Range horses. I recently learned that despite not yet obtaining proper approvals for their project, a housing developer has put up fencing that blocks the mustangs' access to critical water sources in the Damonte Ranch area.

WHY HAS THIS BEEN ALLOWED? WHO EXACTLY HAS DONE THIS? I WANT TO KNOW SO I CAN NOT SUPPORT THEM ON ANY LEVEL..

This is unacceptable and very dangerous to the safety and well-being of the mustangs in this area. Who do they think they are to do such a thing? WE ARE THE TAXPAYERS AND WE VOTERS AND ARE SICK AND TIRED OF SEEING OUR BEAUTIFUL WILD LIFE BE HUNTED, KILLED RAN OUT OF THEIR HOME AND DYING FOR RANCHERS, DEVELOPERS BUILDERS AND POLITICIANS.

There are humane compromises available that would preserve existing access for all wildlife and enable the landowner to proceed with development when they have the required approvals in place and the new access point to water is opened.

THIS MUST BE OPENED FOR OUR HORSES AND WILD LIFE TO HAVE WATER.

In the meantime, the fencing must be open immediately until a compromise solution is reached.

This situation exemplifies the need for the City Council to fund the South Reno fencing project fully. This would protect both community drivers and the historic and beloved Virginia Range horses. WATER IS LIFE & LIFE IS WATER!

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Ms Elaine Proffitt

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Sunny Hills Developer blocking water

Jennifer Pitts <jennifer.pitts@adhocteam.us>

Wed 5/8/2024 1:26 PM

To: Hillary Schieve <SchieveH@reno.gov>

Cc: Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>; Devon Reese <reeseD@reno.gov>; Meghan Ebert <EbertM@reno.gov>; Kathleen Taylor <TaylorK@reno.gov>; Brekhus@reno.gov <Brekhus@reno.gov>; Martinez@reno.gov <Martinez@reno.gov>; Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good Day Local Leaders,

It has come to our attention that the horses at the Meadow just past Rio Wrangler are fenced out of their water supply. Sunny Hills, the developer of the land, put up a new fence that keeps the horses away from their natural resource for water. Our understanding is that at this time, the developer does not have a permit to build yet, but has chosen to put up a fence that keeps the horses from their water source.

An alternate water source is not available at this time and the horses have no access to water. They are in distress running the fence line and some are even jumping the fence. In this picture, a young foal is too little to jump the fence and so he tries to go through it and gets caught up. Mom is obviously frantic. The foal did make it out after a struggle.

The developer's actions prove that he does NOT care about our horses. WE DO!

This situation needs to be addressed immediately. Lives are literally at stake.

Jennifer Pitts & Tom Laughlin

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Becky Calhoun <beck_calhoun@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 5:41 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Becky Calhoun

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Virginia Foothills wild horses.

Bettye Carmichael <bmcskc1990@gmail.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 7:38 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

To whom it may concern...

As representatives of the people, please listen to the people voicing their concerns about these beautiful animals . They are something Reno can be proud of, not more houses and apartments.

Please show some compassion and stand up AGAINST more developments .

Thank you for your time.

Bettye Carmichael

Sent from my iPhone Bettye

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Cathy Minshall <mcmminshall@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 4:36 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Cathy Minshall

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Fwd: Please keep Sunny Hills Fencing open for the Virginia Range wild horses

Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>

Tue 5/7/2024 10:02 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Naomi Duerr

Vice Mayor

Councilmember - Ward 2

Duerrn@reno.gov

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From: Chrysta <chrysta.b.rathburn@gmail.com>**Sent:** Tuesday, May 7, 2024 9:44:31 PM**To:** Jenny Brekhus <BrekhusJ@reno.gov>; Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>; Miguel Martinez <MartinezMi@reno.gov>; Mayor <Mayor@reno.gov>; Devon Reese <reese@reno.gov>**Subject:** Please keep Sunny Hills Fencing open for the Virginia Range wild horses

Hello,

I am reaching out to ask that you advocate to keep Sunny Hills Fencing open for the Virginia Range wild horses so that they can access water. It is inhumane to take away water access . I was raised in the Virginia Foothills and now as an adult reside in Curti Ranch. These horses need to be treated better, they have always been such a big part of this area, it's truly upsetting to see what the growth of this area has done to these animals. Please do not allow their water source to be taken away.

Thank you,

Chrysta

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Crisy Coulon <crisycp@everyactioncustom.com>

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Sincerely,

Ms. Crisy Coulon

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Daniel Coburn <dannogram@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 7:13 PM

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Sincerely,

Mr Daniel Coburn

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Danielle Dziuk <danielledziuk2016@everyactioncustom.com>

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Sincerely,

Ms Danielle Dziuk

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danielledziuk2016@gmail.com

Comment for 5/8 City Council Meeting

Danielle Cady <danielle@renocounselingcollective.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 8:55 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Hello Reno City Council members,

I am writing to you today due to my growing concerns about the development in South Reno that continually negatively impacts the Virginia Range wild horses. First, I'd like to thank you all for your efforts to protect these beautiful animals and keep them and the public safe. I'd love to see the momentum continue and am requesting the following items:

- ***Please advocate to keep the fence open in the Rio Wrangler meadows*** until a new water source is created so the horses can access water and will not get separated, injured, or worse.
- ***Please fund the fencing to complete the Geiger Grade gaps.*** This will help keep horses off the roadways and keep both humans and animals safe.
- ***Please consider our wildlife when approving new building and developments.***

Thank you,
Danielle Cady
Ward 6 Resident

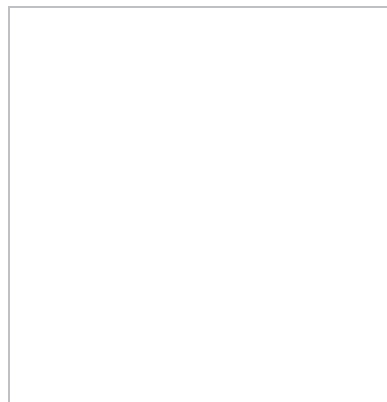
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Danielle M. Cady (she/her)
Marriage and Family Therapist Intern

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Donna Friebert <dfriebert@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 7:26 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Dear City Council Members,

Dear Council Members, At the meeting to be held on May 8, 2024, the issue of fencing and wild horses will come up. Currently a fence has been put up by the developers in the Diamonte area that blocks the horses from their water source. The fence has also lead to a foal being caught in the fence. Until another water source can be provided for the horses, and the developers having the proper authorizations, please consider having the developers agree to a temporary access point of entry for horses seeking water.

I realize the developers have to follow certain guidelines but I pray that a compromise can be reached.

I have written to you and other Council Members before of my concerns about horse/car interactions. I believe fully funding the projected horse fencing project that was unveiled at a Ward 2 meeting back in March 2024 mapping out how horses would be safely enclosed on the range and off streets and roads, is the only way to end these interactions. I even said I had a check for \$100.00 to help finance this project.

At that same meeting, this point about blocking the horses' water source was raised as a question. The developers' representative blew off the question. Now this point has been brought into focus on Chanel 2 News and various NextDoor apps. These horses, loved or hated, shouldn't be left without water. Dehydration, especially for young foals, can be deadly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ms. Donna Friebert

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dfriebert@sbcglobal.net

Fw: What Is Workforce Housing? (And How To Profit in 2024) | GowerCrowd

Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Wed 5/8/2024 9:12 AM

To: Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Forwarding

Take care,

**Mikki Huntsman**(She/Her/Hers)*City Clerk*

City Clerk's Office

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From: Dora Martinez <doraleemartinez1@gmail.com>**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2024 8:36 AM**To:** Lauren Morris <MorrisL@reno.gov>**Cc:** Dndjdije Group <syongs@unr.edu>; Catherine Nielsen <CMNielsen@dhhs.nv.gov>; City Clerk <CityClerk@reno.gov>**Subject:** Re: What Is Workforce Housing? (And How To Profit in 2024) | GowerCrowd

Thank you Miss Morris. Have a great day.

Watch your thoughts, because they become your words. Watch your words, for they become your actions. Watch your action, for it becomes your habit. Watch your habits, for they become your character. Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny.

Best,

Dora Uchel-Martinez (she/her)

(775)501-4653

Nevada Disability Peer Action Coalition Advocate

On May 8, 2024, at 7:35 AM, Lauren Morris <MorrisL@reno.gov> wrote:

Good morning,

Please send all public comment to cityclerk@reno.gov.

Best,
Lauren



Lauren Morris

Agenda Manager

City Manager's Office

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Cc: Dndjdije Group <syongs@unr.edu>; Catherine Nielsen <cmnielsen@dhhs.nv.gov>

Subject: What Is Workforce Housing? (And How To Profit in 2024) | GowerCrowd

Good morning Miss Morris here's the other part of my public comment I will be there around 9:45.
Thank you.

<https://gowercrowd.com/real-estate-investing/what-is-workforce-housing>

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Wild horses fenced out of water

Kristin Field <kristinmariefield@gmail.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 9:32 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Please allow the Virginia Range herd access to the water source they have historically used until their new watering station is provided for them later this summer. As I'm sure you are aware, they have been fenced out from their water source by Sunny Hills and the fencing put up on Desert Way.

No doubt I don't need to tell you that the wildlife must be protected right along with the planned growth for our city to thrive as a healthy, vibrant, beautiful home for all.

I sincerely appreciate your immediate attention and action with regard to this matter. Many lives, albeit 4-legged ones, are depending on you in this very moment.

Thank you,
Dr. Kristin Field
185 Cedar Lane
Reno NV 89521

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Gary Cantara <gcantara@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 5:40 PM

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Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Cantara

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Janice Perry <hjkperry@everyactioncustom.com>

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Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janice Perry

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City Council Comment received from janis foltz

Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Wed 5/8/2024 9:03 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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janis foltz

Commenting on behalf of:

Ward #:

Ward 2

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Phone Number:

7754134640

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A new comment has been submitted for the Reno City Council Meeting held on: 2024-05-08.

Section:

General Closing Session Comment (unassociated to an agenda item)

Item:

Public comment on Wild horse fencing and access to water.

Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

Please keep the Sunny hills/ Talus development fencing open for an alternate route access to water for the Virginia Range. wild horses until future planned access is available. Fine or direct the developers that fence these animals away from a critical water sources for their survival. Under the Federal Wild horse and Burro protection act this is against the law or should be. I realize that the Virginia range free roaming horses are not under BLM jurisdiction but need to be cared for to ensure healthy thriving lives. It is only humane. They are being managed to keep herd numbers down and there are predators in the area. This is not what Nevada is. Nevada statute maintains that animals should have access to their usual water supply and not blocked from access as this developer has done. These are only greedy developers being inhumane. Please fund the fencing project in South Reno for the safety of these beautiful horses. It is the same in my neighborhood only for the deer, but the developer or adjacent landowner provided an alternate route to Galena Creek for the deer to drink. I have the deer family in my yard as they flee from the rock crushing noise pollution and excavating that has destroyed their habitat. What a desecration this is as is for the free roaming Virginia range horses.

Sincerely Janis Foltz Callahan Ranch. Washoe County Nevada

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

By checking the "Yes" below, you agree that all the information above is true and accurate. For additional information, please refer to the agenda for today's meeting.

Yes

By checking the "Yes" below, you understand, acknowledge, and expressly agree that: (1) all information submitted by you will be entered into the public record, made available for public inspection, and freely disseminated without restriction; and, (2) any contact, personal, financial, or medical information intentionally or inadvertently submitted by you will not be maintained in a confidential manner, or subsequently exempted from public inspection.

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Janis Foltz <snowroofs@everyactioncustom.com>

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Miss Janis Foltz

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Fwd: Builders Block Wild Horses from accessing water-New Development on Veterans Parkway/Rio Wrangler

Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>

Wed 5/8/2024 8:39 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

From: Jim Hay <jim@jimhay.net>

Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 8:13:12 AM

To: Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>

Cc: Hidden Valley Wild Horse Protection Fund <hiddenvallewildhorses@gmail.com>; Laura T Hay <haylaura33@att.net>

Subject: Builders Block Wild Horses from accessing water-New Development on Veterans Parkway/Rio Wrangler

Hello Naomi, I love our wild horse community and our Western Heritage. We need your immediate attention and the other council members in this matter. The builders have blocked the wild horses from getting to the water source. Three days ago, photos were shown on Next Door where a mare and foal were attempting to get to the water supply. The foal flipped over the fence, while the mother looked on! This was a horrific event and unacceptable! It is heartbreaking to see all of the photos on Next Door when the horses are in desperate need of water to survive!

Please work on ameliorating the fenced off water supply for our wild horses at this new development on Veterans Parkway ASAP!

Please let me know what I can do to help resolve this situation and kindly share this email with the other council members.

P.S. Please acknowledge receipt of my email and action will be done!

Jim Hay

Fathom Realty

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5/8/24, 9:04 AM

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Jordan Coburn <dsjacoburn@everyactioncustom.com>

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Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 7:38:38 PM

To: Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>

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Laura Hay

Sent from my iPhone

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Laura Payerle <laurasexpat20@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 4:03 PM

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Sincerely,

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Please fund the South Reno Fencing Project

Lisa OSullivan <nevadalo@everyactioncustom.com>

Tue 5/7/2024 8:39 PM

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Louanne DeBerry <ldeberry@everyactioncustom.com>

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Sincerely,

Miss Louanne DeBerry

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City Council Comment received from Margaret Picinski

Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Wed 5/8/2024 7:58 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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Ward 2

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A new comment has been submitted for the Reno City Council Meeting held on: 2024-05-08.

Section:

General Opening Session Comment (unassociated to an agenda item)

Item:

Blocked water access for the rio wrangler wild horses.

Position:

In opposition

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

As a Nevadan I oppose to development that is blocking the access to water for the wild horses and human to access public lands. When building new developments, the wild life and the current residents should be taken into consideration. The horses need the water and people need some access to open space. Right now, south east reno has become overcrowded with cars, homes and streets. The new developer should provide a solution for that, like safe corridor for the wildlife to access water and maybe establish some land for a sanctuary. This way the city can have happy thriving communities that are not angry with traffic and lack of open space to hike and spend time outdoors!! Not to mention the parks are so small and so limited. Just look at maps of Reno with new developments!! Nothing green!! Concrete desert!!!

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Yes

Sunny Hills Fencing

reenew@charter.net <reenew@charter.net>

Wed 5/8/2024 7:38 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

The horses have been fenced off from, water at the end of Rio Wrangler.
It appears premature since the project does not have building permits.

The fence should be opened immediately until a compromise solution is reached. Additionally, the South Reno fencing should be fully funded, solving the horses on the streets once and for all.

Mary M Gomez
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Water for Horses

Melinda Harnish <nanaedith@icloud.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 10:11 AM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

While I realize that Reno's goal is to remove the horses away from the city and surrounding areas, it is inhumane to deprive them of water areas they've used for hundreds of years abruptly. It is apparent that the "decision makers" have no respect for animal rights. Are those who've blocked this access even residents of Reno?

This could be done gradually in a humane manner. Death from dehydration is a cruel and unusual punishment that neither man nor beast should have to deliberately suffer. Please do this removal gradually so the horses can adjust to new watering areas.

And please stop allowing non residents having a say in what matters to this community culturally and historically.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Melinda E Harnish

Sent from my iPhone

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Patricia Pruitt <patricia-pruitt@everyactioncustom.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 6:07 AM

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Sincerely,

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City Council Comment received from Peter Neumann

Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Tue 5/7/2024 5:02 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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Peter Neumann

Commenting on behalf of:

Newlands Neighborhood Association

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Section:

D Items - Department Items

Item:

d.1.

Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

Are they speaking in person?

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Please see my attached letter, attached as a .pdf digital file to an email to you.

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Yes

Peter C Neumann
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May 7, 2024

Hon. Hillary Schieve, Mayor, and Hon. Members of the Reno City Council
Reno City Hall, One East 1st Street
Reno, Nevada

Re: Council Meeting of May 8, 2024, Agenda Item #: D.1 proposal to amend
Title 18 of the Reno land development code

Dear Mayor Achieve and Council Members:

I respectfully submit my comment on the above described agenda item, D.1, as follows:

When the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature, in 2023 amended Chapter 278 of Nevada Revised Statutes, it obviously intended to require governing bodies of Nevada cities and counties to address the issue of “affordable housing.” (Or perhaps, the *shortage* of it). This is a problem in thousands of communities in our country, and I applaud the Reno City Council’s efforts to comply with this very complex statutory mandate of the Legislature.

Most people agree that the problem of homelessness is extremely serious and urgent. It is heart breaking to witness people of all ages, including many who served their country in military service, sleeping in commercial building doorways, on cold cement, without a roof over their heads. The City of Reno has not escaped this terrible problem, and I am glad to see that its city council is attempting to address it, and making a good faith effort to comply with the mandate of the Nevada Legislature.

Rather than pretend that I have any expertise on this complicated subject, I instead request you to keep in mind the admonition of the Greek Physician, Hippocrates, who is reputed to have said, about 2,400 years ago: “**First, Do No Harm.**” In other words, in attempting to treat your patient, The City of Reno, do not make her worse, by causing her another injury or even death.

My fear is that this Council, in attempting to comply with the mandate, may alter existing land-use laws and regulations in a way that will permit and encourage developers to substantially increase the **density** of land -use, of land which is presently

treated as “single family residential” land. Existing residential neighborhoods which have been used for single family dwellings, should **not** be allowed to be converted into apartment housing or multiple-family neighborhoods.

If you did allow that, real estate developers will build cheap, unattractive structures which will then be sold to commercial interests who will use them for short-term rentals, such as Air B&B’s. And those owners will rent them out **not** to homeless people, because they will not be able to afford them. The owners will convert existing leafy, shady, single-family residential neighborhoods into short-term rentals, and this will not alleviate the problem of homelessness. We have seen that happen in the past and it is not pretty.

It will instead, cause entire sections of Reno to be converted into unsightly, treeless, sad places where the residents will likely have little incentive to improve the property, because (as non-owners) they won’t have any pride of ownership. They will simply be renting space, for short durations, from commercial owners.

So please, **Do No Harm** to your patient, which is the way I hope you think of the body politic – including the taxpayers and permanent residents of the City of Reno – as you deliberate how to comply with the mandate of the Nevada Legislature.

Thank you.

Peter C. Neumann

Reno City Council Meeting 5/15/2024 Agenda Item D.1.

sanshaff@sbcglobal.net <sanshaff@sbcglobal.net>

Tue 5/7/2024 4:02 PM

To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>;Hillary Schieve <SchieveH@reno.gov>;Devon Reese <reeseD@reno.gov>;Kathleen Taylor <TaylorK@reno.gov>;Martinezm@reno.gov <Martinezm@reno.gov>;Jenny Brekhush <BrekhushJ@reno.gov>;Meghan Ebert <EbertM@reno.gov>;Naomi Duerr <DuerrN@reno.gov>
Cc:'Rick Shaff' <rickshaff@sbcglobal.net>

Dear Reno City Council,

I attended the City of Reno Housing and Affordability Initiative Public Workshop #3 via zoom. It should be noted that I did sign up for email newsletters from the City of Reno, but I was not notified via the email of this workshop. It was through a neighborhood email that I was notified. I think that there might be a link broken in your communication process.

I am in agreement that there are Housing and Affordability issues that need to be addressed in the City of Reno. I want to thank the Reno City Council staff that answered my questions. My comments on the workshop presentation are as follows:

- **Specific to Affordable Housing to satisfy SB 213:**

Incentives for Affordable Housing and expedite review of Affordable Housing:

- I am **in** favor with the recommendation to assign a staff liaison to all affordable housing projects during building permit review.
- I am **not** in favor with the Planning Commission recommendation to allow affordable housing projects to be built two stories higher than the zoning allowed. Since duplexes, triplexes and fourplexes are allowed in SF-8 and SF-11, allowing this would drastically alter the nature of the neighborhood.
- I am **not** in favor with the Planning Commission recommendation to remove parking requirements for 5 stories – affordable projects. This clutter and vehicle theft. While on the subject, the City Council should change the code to require apartments to be built with garages in the downtown area. This would be a much-needed proactive step in accommodating the growing population of our city.
- Density Bonus - Affordable Housing. I am **not** in favor of unlimited density bonus if in the city 0-60% AMI range. This seems arbitrary and does not consider the residences who must live in the area.
- I am **not** in favor of allowing for density bonus if you are in 61-120% AMI range. Two weeks ago, the Director of EDawn informed us of the number of tech jobs that have been brought into the area. The median salary is \$90,000. 120% of this is \$9000/month for rent? This would incentivize Developers to build projects that only tech workers could afford, this doesn't appear equitable.

The changes that the Reno City Council made three years ago to modernize and streamline the code and allow Density Bonus was proactive in addressing the incentive part of SB 213 and adding a staff liaison to help navigate the process would certainly expedite the review process.

I would add that commercial land development should include a percentage of affordable housing be built as part of the project, especially, if they want to attract future employees (i.e. Damonte Downtown). The designated MF areas of the project can be By-Right as well.

Affordable Housing should be incorporated in the development of large apartment units as a percentage of the project. This will not alter the nature of the neighborhood.

- **Specific to Increasing Housing Supply:**

- **Density Bonus - Market Rate** – 12 projects have used Density Bonus in the last 3 years,
 - Staff proposed to increase density bonus to incentivize developers to use it. However, the examples that were given, Motel 6 conversion project and the Wells Ave. project both met their objectives with the current density bonus in place.

I think that the current economy and high interest rates should also be factored in the analysis of whether current Density Bonus has been successful. How many more projects would have come online if the financing and economic climate was more favorable?

- **Allow More Development By-Right**
 All multi-family development with less than 100 units be allowed by-right in MF-14, MF-21, MF-30, NC, GC and PO zoning districts. - Currently these zones require an entitlement review process.
 Public review adds months (2 – 6 months) to the project even though the result is the same at the end of the process.

I am **not** in favor of allowing more Development By-Right. This is where the staff liaison will be beneficial in expediting and streamlining the process, but at the same time get community onboard with the project.

- **Allow More “Missing Middle” Development**
 Council Staff recommends expand where we allow duplex, triplex and fourplex (DTF) units in SF-3 and SF-5 zoning districts with a Conditional Use Permit.
 - Planning Commission recommendations for Missing Middle
 - Allow this all **by-right** in all single-family zoning districts, with no input from the public. Go straight to building permit.

I am **not** in favor of this recommendation. Driving through the SF-3 and SF-5 neighborhoods, it is very obvious that there are many custom and semi-custom homes and custom developments in these zoning areas. These homeowners made the biggest purchase of their life on a 30-year investment and, if they are like my husband and I, they relied on the Reno Master Plan map to make their purchase decision. We actually had a lot come up for sale in Hidden Valley that we were very interested in, but the on Reno Master Plan, it showed what is now Veteran Parkway, planned to be built in back of the lot in the future. It made our decision easy to back out of the purchase.

To make a change to these neighborhoods would be a breach of trust with the homeowners. They most likely purchased during a time before PUDs were the norm and the Reno Planning Map was the PUD.

One of the unintended consequences of allowing DTFs in these zones would be to incentivize Developers to outbid single family homeowners on homes and redevelop the lot into DTF units. This would change the nature of the neighborhood drastically for the worse and prompt some questions:

- Would homeowner insurance in the area increase as a result of the mixing of MF and SF zones?
- Would there be an increase in property tax rates?
- Would neighbors be able to band together and create CCRs for their neighborhood to exempt them from allowing DTFs?

Even though the staff noted that DTFs are currently allowed in SF-8 and SF-11, I don't agree that it should have been a blanket change of all the SF-8 and SF-11. Certainly,

there are areas that may benefit from this change ie neighborhoods that are in close proximity to downtown, but this clearly is not something that is good for all neighborhoods.

Unfortunately, not all of us have the good fortune of Councilman Reese to live in a PUD, but we should be respected for the decisions that we made to invest in an area zoned for single family residences and to have the peace of mind that we will not have the proverbial rug pulled out from under us.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments in your decision.

Kind regards,
Sandy Shaff
Ward 2

Fwd: No ADU's, Duplexes, Triplexes, or QuadraplexesSteve Foster <sfostermammoth@gmail.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 9:14 AM

To: Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov> 1 attachments (5 MB)

Marsh 885 weeds, 7May2024.jpg;

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Tom Tate** <tom@tatedesign.com>

Date: Tue, May 7, 2024 at 11:32 AM

Subject: Re: No ADU's, Duplexes, Triplexes, or Quadraplexes

To: Steve Foster <sfostermammoth@gmail.com>Steve, send this to Publiccomment@reno.gov for tomorrow's city council meeting, item D1. -TomOn 05/07/2024 8:06 AM PDT Steve Foster <sfostermammoth@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Madam,

We are totally opposed to ruining our single family neighborhood with ADU's and plexes.

Please see the attached photo of 885 Marsh, the failed assisted living facility, and now an Air B&B eyesore, with weeds, tree stumps, dead trees, garbage, etc.

Steve and Elvira Foster
Old Southwest

Please fund the South Reno Fencing Project

Sylvia Coburn <sleyba10760@everyactioncustom.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 7:58 AM

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City Council Comment received from Sylvia Coburn

Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Wed 5/8/2024 7:57 AM

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Sylvia Coburn

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10760 Ridgebrook

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Section:

I Items - Public Hearing Items

Item:

ITEM A3 - VIRGINIA RANGE WILD HORSES WATER SUPPLY -FENCE PROJECT FUNDING.

Position:

In Favor

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

Housing Developer has put up fencing that BLOCKS the horses access to CRITICAL WATER SOURCES in the Damonte Ranch area in Reno. The developer has not obtained necessary approvals for their development plans. Despite this, they have take action that puts our wildlife at risk of death. Humane compromise that would preserve access for all wildlife. The fencing must be OPEN IMMEDIATELY until a compromised solution is reached. One way to protect wildlife while development is growing is to PRIORITIZE the South Reno Fencing project. This is a community concern and the community here wants fencing to protect the horses and local residents. I urge you, the City Council, to fund the Fencing Project to protect the wildlife. People travel from all around the world to see our beautiful mustangs and wildlife in Reno, we need to step up and make this positive solution for all to prosper together. The community of Damonte Ranch is looking to you to help us preserve our beautiful history here in Reno.

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Sierra Sage Golf Course Water Issue

Tom Ciesynski <tciesynski@gmail.com>

Wed 5/8/2024 10:13 AM

To: Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Dear Honorable Mayor Schieve and Honorable members of the Reno City Council,

For the record, my name is Tom Ciesynski and I have lived in the Reno/Sparks area for over 60 years. I am writing to you today to express my concerns as it relates to the water issue with the Sierra Sage golf course in Stead. This golf course has been a part of our community for decades and is one that serves our youth, senior citizens as well as the rest of the golfing population in this area.

What is important for our community is that this is an affordable golf course for many people who cannot afford to play more expensive golf courses elsewhere. I would like to ask you to please work with Mike Mazzaferri Golf to find a solution to the extraordinarily high increase in the cost for water that has been proposed for Sierra Sage. If a more reasonable water cost cannot be established, the likelihood that this golf course survives is in great jeopardy and this will be a huge loss to our community.

Affordable recreation is the backbone of our community, and we should all work together to look at this problem taking into consideration all factors to find a solution that will help keep this golf course in our community for generations now and those that follow. Thank you for your consideration on this most important matter and accept my apology for not being in attendance to present this to you in person.

Respectfully yours,

Tom Ciesynski
6502 Golden Dawn Ct.
Sparks, NV 89436

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CONTACT PHONE: 775-301-0774

E-MAIL: cole461@gmail.com

If you are representing someone, other than yourself, please indicate whom:

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City Clerk <no-reply@zoom.us>

Wed 5/8/2024 5:48 PM

To: Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Hi City Clerk,

Bill Schrimpf (bschrimpf.reno@gmail.com) has registered for "City of Reno - Reno City Council Meeting - 5/8/24" on: May 8, 2024 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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