## **Baring, Patricia**

**Subject:** FW: Heritage House

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## [EXTERNAL]

Erin-

My name is Brett Halloran and I am a homeowner here in Napa.

I live at 987 Serendipity Way. My home is directly behind the Heritage House building. My property line goes to the middle of the Salvador Creek.

I have 3 concerns regarding this property.

- 1. The area is currently very dark at night. The wildlife for the entire length of the creek is dark at night. I am very concerned about light pollution and the impact on my privacy and home. If the project is approved I would ask that the Planning Commission require that low intensity lighting be required (or motion detector lighting) so that there is no change to the ambient lighting at night.
- 2. I am very concerned that there is significant erosion of the riverbank on the Heritage House side of the creek. The Planning Commission required my property to be a significant distance from the creek and the riverbank to be at a low angle, to preserve the creek. I ask that the commission take similar steps in this case.

The City mandated efforts and sacrifices I made on my property to protect the creek will be negated if nothing is done on the other side of the creek.

The water erosion has already destroyed several trees. The root system of several large trees is exposed now, the last step before the trees collapse into the water. This is visible in the pictures below.

3. Finally, I am concerned about the safety of pedestrians and vehicles that will be in the area near the fence that borders the creek. There is a major risk of injury to those near the fence. As you can see in the attached picture, there has been so much erosion to the dirt that the current fence is COLLAPSING into the water. This is a major risk to children and intoxicated adults (the project is seeking out people with substance abuse issues and sobriety is explicitly not required).



Also please see the limited space the fire department had during a visit last year. The weight of a vehicle may be unsafe with the soil erosion right there.



Finally- please take a look at this last picture, which shows just how active the creek is in the rain. This is the reason there is so much erosion on one side. My side of the creek is not eroding because of the steps we took.



I respectfully request that the area on the Heritage House side of the creek be required to have a gradual incline, low lighting, and a new fence that will not fall into the water.

Not taking these actions creates significant liability for future accidents which will undoubtedly occur.

Thank you,

**Brett Halloran**