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Dear Napa Planning Commission,

I attended the meeting a couple of weeks ago and heard all of the concern from the neighbors regarding this proposal. As a Realtor, I am acutely aware of the need for affordable housing in Napa and as a compassionate person, the need for housing and mental health services for many of our homeless.

However, I can't for the life of me see why you would consider putting this project in that location when all the services so many of the intended residents need is clear on the other end of town and they have to walk a considerable distance to the bus, plus have the mental health to understand their needs and want to avail themselves of the services sufficiently to make the effort and there's no repercussions if they can't recognize their needs, or want to or bother to avail themselves.

We have a large mental health facility with vacant land on Soscol. Why aren't you considering the State Hospital excess land for this project? The residents would be miles closer to the new location of County Mental Health and very close to a grocery store, bus service at the corner etc.

The Valle Verde location would be perfect if you take the mentally ill out of it and just make it low income, work force housing. We need that desperately and none of the neighbors would object at all as they all stated in their remarks.

My daughter spoke at the meeting and what she said made a lot of sense, i.e. you are creating a mental health facility with no mental health services. What could go wrong?

Thank you for allowing us to comment.

Warm regards,

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