

# Council and Authorities Concurrent Meeting on 2022-11-01 4:00 PM

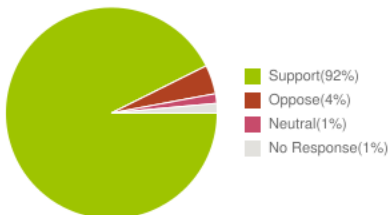
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### Overall Sentiment



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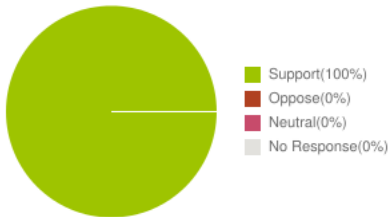
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### Jaspreet Kaur

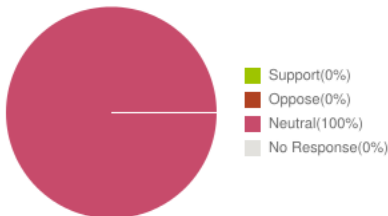
Location:

Submitted At: 2:56pm 11-01-22

I support the city building a park instead of the high density housing. We need to keep Santa Clara safe and clean and not fear what our future generation will deal with and the unknowing of the types of individuals that will move into our quiet-kept community.

Agenda Item: eComments for 2. 22-1155 Real Estate and Morse Mansion Study Session

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### Susan Hinton

Location:

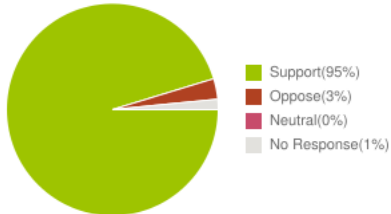
Submitted At: 10:19am 10-31-22

The Mansion would make a beautiful Community Center. It's hard to tell from the outside but one imagines adequate space inside for folk, country, ballroom, or line dancing. Money might be made by renting some space as a wedding or other venue, but a portion of the interior and exterior space should be made available to public groups and non profits for free or appropriately affordable rental amounts. One also is reminded of Mountain

View's Rengstorff House near Shoreline Lake, on the Bay.

Agenda Item: eComments for 11. 22-1256 Action on a Written Petition (030) Related to the Possibility of Acquiring 1601 Civic Center Drive for the Purpose of Establishing a City Park

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**Lydia Mi**

Location:

Submitted At: 3:44pm 11-01-22

Our community needs a park since we have to walk 10 minutes to the closest Fremont park across El Camino Real to walk and enjoy nature. Considering new Warburton Avenue townhomes, which will become available in late fall, we'll have an increasing demand in public areas, children's playgrounds, and sports corners. The neighborhood is already well-packed, and another high-density building will make a huge negative impact on residents regardless of whether it is affordable housing project or not.

**NLC Coffey**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:59pm 11-01-22

There have been no new parks in the last 30 years relative to the amount of growth that we have incurred in our area. PLEASE support the development of this park and beautify our neighborhood rather than cram more people into it!

**Reshma Kotwal**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:57pm 11-01-22

I strongly support building a park. Currently, a lot of residents drive down to other cities such as Sunnyvale and Mountain view to use parks for our kids. We need this park so the community can come together to use the park resources for learning, exercising, and address numerous community building incentives. If we keep building housing without parks, our city will be less attractive to future family residents and act as a catalyst for families to move to better planned cities.

**Ganyu Lian**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:56pm 11-01-22

I support for a new park! The population in the neighborhood has grown rapidly in the past ten years but we don't have enough amenities to accommodate this population growth! A new park will greatly help us to unite with our family and neighbors.

**Jaspreet Kaur**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:54pm 11-01-22

I support the request to build a part instead of the high density housing. We need Santa Clara to be kept safe and clean and not fear what standard of individuals that will be moving into our safe community.

**Svetlana Bolotova**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:44pm 11-01-22

Please give us a green park, we suffocate from roads and cars.

**jamie vitale**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:32pm 11-01-22

Born & raised 40 yr resident I have seen housing in the Civic Center area grow since the 80s w/ no new parks or amenities added to balance these developments. Future growth from the El Camino Real Corridor & potential high density housing in the area will exacerbate the issue. Focusing on long term community growth this is our chance to utilize this space to serve as a Community Hub given lack of parks for current 1.2 acres per 1,000 residents vs City's current park standard is 2.6 - 3.0 acres

**Chuang Qian**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:30pm 11-01-22

Request to build a park, instead of the high density apartment. The neighborhood designated Scott Lane Elementary is rated as "below average" for both academic test scores and equity. The school has about 77% of low income students. The apartment will add 30 students or increase 7.4% enrollment to the school being all low-income - bringing the school to have almost 85% low income students.

This will drive away existing and potential middle/high income family away, deteriorating the local economy

**Vasily Igishev**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:18pm 11-01-22

Our community needs a park since we have to walk 10 minutes to the closest Fremont park across El Camino Real to walk and enjoy nature. Considering new Warburton Avenue townhomes, which will become available in late fall, we'll have an increasing demand in public areas, children's playgrounds, and sports corners. The neighborhood is already well-packed, and another high-density building will make a huge negative impact on residents regardless of whether it is affordable housing project or not.

**Luis Giron-Yuja**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:11pm 11-01-22

I strongly support a neighborhood park at 1601 Civic Center. Our neighborhood already has overly dense housing without adequate green areas for young families. My family and I tried to visit Civic Center Park several times to find homeless people living on the sidewalk of Housing Community Services and other individuals smoking on the benches. Not to mention the close proximity to a highly transited street such as El Camino Real makes it not a viable place for kids to be running.

**Leon Li**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:02pm 11-01-22

I believe that city parks are important public infrastructures that can unite us as Santa Clara city residents. It creates a public space for residents to take a rest and spend time with their families (kids, parents, etc), friends and neighbors. With good amenities, it could also attract people who loves sport and / or natural views.

**Shirley Deng**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:00pm 11-01-22

Strongly support the idea to bring a new park to the neighborhood. It will benefit not only residents, seniors, and children who have been living here for a while, but also be great for young couples who recently moved to this area where they settle down and start to build families. In our community, there are already 5 newborns this year and there's going to be more for sure in near future. We residents of this area are in need of more parks for

children to play safely and healthily grow up.

**Brenda Collins**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:44pm 11-01-22

The Warburton area is a prime location to place a park that could accommodate seniors and residents in the area. Within the Walberton/Civic Center neighborhood, they were mini multi unit apartments that has low income children. Having a local park will allow children to learn and play and senior citizens to meet and socialize in an environment that is close to their residence. A mixed used park would provide a positive influence on not only the neighborhood but the environment.

**Matvei Iliunov**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:33pm 11-01-22

We need a green park with playground for kids, need a lawns and trees for picnics and walking. We have only roads and industrial areas, but we don't have a good park. It's so heavy to get places with green nature in Santa Clara. Please help us to improve our neighborhood.

**Sunil B**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:21pm 11-01-22

City has been approving housing projects left & right in this neighborhood for over a decade but have ignored things like how to make communities stronger, where children are going to play etc. E.g. Existing rotary park does NOT even meet the needs of immediate apartment buildings. Park here will be beneficial to everyone, it will provide much needed open space, community development opportunities, play area etc. City should provide right mix of housing & open space to have healthy communities.

**Rushin Barot**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:56pm 11-01-22

This area is already highly dense It would be better if we can have park

**Olga Valerevna**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:50pm 11-01-22

There has been tremendous increase in housing and population in the neighborhood, but the city has not increased any parks or public space in at least 20 years here. This is a perfect use of this spot, will massively increase quality of life in the neighborhood and is what is demanded by residents rather than a housing project that poorly addresses the needs of the residents and does not fit this specific location.

**Ruoyu Zhang**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:47pm 11-01-22

The area is already crowd. Having a park will not only balance the population density, but also provide an area for people to social around and relax instead.

**Simon Yegh**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:44pm 11-01-22

There has not been any development for parks in this neighborhood for decades now, this is a ideal location since it's close to the museum and addresses many concerns of proper development of the neighborhood that residents have

**Jay Wu**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:41pm 11-01-22

Great idea to build a new park in this neighborhood. I have lived here and known numerous residents who would actually benefit from this. Think about the positive impact that the park will bring to peoples life, to attractiveness of the city, to sustainable future of the area. Strongly support the idea to build the park. Thank you.

**Flora Kho**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:38pm 11-01-22

I highly support that we should create a space for community members to congregate safely. There are more and more child born in this community. A safety place to play is critical for child development. And a park help build healthy and stable community. If we could build a park at 1601 civic center, it means a lot to this community.

**Siqi Bai**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:34pm 11-01-22

Yes. We will have a new born soon. And it would be important to have a some open space for the kid.

**Ye Cao**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:29pm 11-01-22

I strongly support this proposal, the nearby neighborhoods are with very high living density, and people doesn't have the area to relax. Transferring the building to a park will significantly improve the living quality for nearby people.

**Larry Luis**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:24pm 11-01-22

I have 3 kids. All of them are native born as Santa Clarian. As parents we do wish we could have more open space for our children who may enjoy more sunlight, more fresh air. Santa Clara is known as a tree city. I strongly support establishing a city park in our neighborhood , civic center area.

**XI YI**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:24pm 11-01-22

The neighborhood is already crowd. We really need a park nearby and I believe 1601 Civic Center Drive is a perfect spot for a city park.

**Vishal SL**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:24pm 11-01-22

Yes, we absolutely need a park. It will add more contour to the area and offer a space for recreational activities and safe place for kids/families to enjoy.

**Cheryl De**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:19pm 11-01-22

I support this park for its positive impact on resident quality of life, environment, and safety.

**Margarita Bliznikova**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:16pm 11-01-22

I support a park proposal.

It will add a great value for the whole community and provide the recreational space with many kinds of activities for all residents. We really need such green space here.

The park will contribute to the community life way better than high-density residential development on 1601 Civic

Center Drive for which there is at least not enough infrastructure for drastically increasing traffic and such amount of cars that would be parking in the streets.

**James Kim**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:15pm 11-01-22

I strongly support a neighborhood park at 1601 Civic Center. Our neighborhood already has overly dense housing without adequate amenities for the community.

**Robin Deng**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:15pm 11-01-22

I support this park as it will be a great place and will improve lives of residents here.

**Eric Lee**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:12pm 11-01-22

Useful green space is always lacking in our increasingly high-density urban environment. After learning that the new Community Garden facility at Eddie Souza Park (at Monroe/San Tomas) has a very narrow requirement for access, limited to residents within 0.5 miles of the park, it's clear that a similar-style project here to serve our community would be a welcome addition to the area. Please give this proposal due consideration. QoL for existing Santa Clara residents' QoL is important!

**Mario Vitale**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:58am 11-01-22

I've been a resident of Santa Clara for over 10 years and am in favor of a safe, walk-able community park that our families can access and enjoy. 1601 Civic Center Drive is a prime area to have a park serving the future needs of green spaces and community gathering as nearby commercial and city hall are planned for high-density residential in Santa Clara's General Plan. Based on the city's current park standard we are already well under the Santa Clara park acreage target.

**Anton Frolov**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:34am 11-01-22

There are quite a lot of townhouses and condos without backyard in the area, and a community garden will improve life of current residents. Building high density housing without enough parking will make life of residents miserable and dangerous due to increased number of cars parking on the streets. I support this proposal.

**Biyao Zhao**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:15am 11-01-22

The density of our neighborhood is already very high. We need a park instead of a high-density housing development. A park would greatly improve the community, especially for families with kids. Many of us choose to start a family here, and there are very few infrastructures for kids nearby. We need a park!

**Sara Bermudez**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:10am 11-01-22

I support the City park proposition.

**Danny Wong**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:03am 11-01-22

Our neighborhood is already too dense, we need a park instead of a high density housing development.

**Caitlin Frates**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:37am 11-01-22

I highly support the park idea. This would improve our quality of life and be a better option than the proposed high density apartment complex.

**David Sternitzke**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:03am 11-01-22

I also support 2-3 story SFH development. They would be more expensive, but the city could offer more units to lower income families.

Reduced taxes, low to no interest mortgages to original owners for a fixed period, and when on sale these units would revert to normal

market expenses. The city and developers would realize their tax/profits basis over an extended period.

**Fung Yi**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:26pm 10-31-22

A park would be a much better option than the currently planned very high- density high-rise that does not have a park or adequate parking. If the City is not willing to build a park, perhaps consider lowering the current plan's density so the impact is not as bad to existing neighbors? Perhaps build a senior housing instead so parking demand is less and also less density? I urge the Council to seriously consider the park option, or an adjustment to the current development plan.

**Orit Skorka**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:23pm 10-31-22

In recent years, many lots in the neighborhood that used to accommodate small businesses were converted into residential areas, where examples include Catalina and the new development at 1790-1792 Warburton Avenue. However, this was not accompanied by addition of facilities for the residents. I support the proposal to establish a city park at 1601 Civic Center Drive because I think that a facility that offers recreational and educational activities to the community is much needed.

**Faisal Safdar**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:45pm 10-31-22

Support Park. We need healthy environment and a space for healthy activities.

**Michelle Gueron**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:11pm 10-31-22

A park will help with quality of life here as opposed to another densed housing project that will add frustration and lower standard of living for the current residents.

**Kevin Lim**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:10pm 10-31-22

Our neighborhood is very crowded and we need more open space for the residents n this neighborhood to relax and have a well balanced live. We need a decent playground for kids in this neighborhood to socialize with each other.

**Udit Jain**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:59pm 10-31-22

Park is better



**Edna Pampy**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:44pm 10-31-22

Strongly support a park. It's the best thing for our climate & people's well-being. Don't listen to "outsiders" that don't even live in our neighborhood!!!

**Jean Song**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:41pm 10-31-22

We need more parks and amenities instead of more people in this neighborhood.

**Yifan Jiang**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:25pm 10-31-22

I support the petition for a city park. The quality of life matters! A city park will benefit environmentally, socially, and economically.

**Liz Lemmer**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:08pm 10-31-22

We need more clean and safe place to walk and jog. The population density is way too high in this neighborhood.

**C F**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:04pm 10-31-22

I support the petition for a city park to improve the quality of the residents in our neighborhood. We have Civic center plaza but no kids playgrounds in the neighborhood. This park would be a great place for the community where children and family can enjoy!

**Olive Ho**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:56pm 10-31-22

We hope the city government can listen to the voice of the community and stop building these high density housing. These are short term solutions that are done based on careless studies.

**CL Li**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:52pm 10-31-22

We need more green land than housing in California. The government should listen to the voice from people who live here.

**Olive Ho**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:50pm 10-31-22

We hope the city government can listen to the voice of the community and stop building these high density housing. These are short term solutions that are done based on careless studies. Please vote no.

**Anna Gao**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:30pm 10-31-22

Parks play a vital role in communities providing a neighborhood with one of the most foundational civic assets

**Casper Wu**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:28pm 10-31-22

Community park is one of the only options for residents to enjoy nature and be active. In addition to the variety of amenities, community playgrounds and parks are beneficial in many other ways:

- 1) Contribute to community identity
- 2) Provide active and passive recreational opportunities
- 3) Appeal to all ages
- 4) Contribute to the health and wellness of a community
- 5) Create valuable green space
- 6) An effective area to encourage native flora and fauna to grow

### **Li Lu**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:22pm 10-31-22

A mixed-use park will be a driver for a more livable and equitable community. A mix-use park will allow the interaction of current low-income residents to interact socially with neighboring planned communities. 369 or 92% of students attending Scott Lane Elementary School are low-income.

### **Morteza Shafiei**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:15pm 10-31-22

The park would serve as a Community Hub with potentially a community garden, composting station, community room, playground for children, learning center close to the Title 1 School at Scott Lane, library resource, walkways, and plants, amongst others.

### **In Seok Hwang**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:11pm 10-31-22

I also support the petition for a city park to secure green area to improve the quality of the residents in our neighborhood. This park would be a great place for the community where children and family can enjoy walking. The park would be a better alternative to improper high density development building proposal.

### **Deepa H**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:05pm 10-31-22

This may be our last chance to have a new neighborhood park, and 1601 is the only available parcel in our neighborhood suitable for a park, and contiguous with other City properties. Our Civic Center should be a show case for future generations to come, not a block of dense housing. We also suggest that the City may propose leasing the building for some time until additional sources of funding materialize. We have made a Commitment to stay engaged and help our City through this challenge.

### **VENEE CRUZ**

Location:

Submitted At: 5:06pm 10-31-22

Absolutely, I support the need for a neighborhood park, and opposing the planned high density development proposal in 1601 CCD .

It's for all ages to enjoy , with good atmosphere, clean environment through health and wellness of a community. Best for children playground & recreational center as well . These are the amenities that our neighborhood needs and don't have. .It will contribute a balance green development in our neighborhood . City Council should not favor the planned property.

**MARIA ESPINOSA**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:52pm 10-31-22

Strongly support a neighborhood park, and opposing high density development in 1601 CCD. A neighborhood park contribute to community identity. Safety, security, and peaceful living moves our neighborhood forward.

**dwarkanath sakpal**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:17am 10-31-22

We don't want high density bldgs 100+ units in this piece of land with immense parking problems. Parks can be of great help to the neighborhood with lot of social activities, family gatherings, exercise & learning. A clean and safe environment. Support park .

**Duanya Tu**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:46pm 10-30-22

I support the petition of a city park because it can significantly improve the life quality of our neighborhood and provide more amenities to the community.

**B Jam**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:01pm 10-29-22

I support the petition to establish a city park to improve the quality of the residents in our neighborhood and cancel the ill-planned high density development proposal.

**L Li**

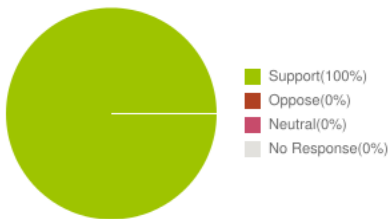
Location:

Submitted At: 5:42pm 10-29-22

During the past 4 decades the population in our neighborhood has gone up by at least a factor of 5-10, if not more, while there have been no new parks or amenities added. This is not balanced development.

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**Susan Hinton**

Location:

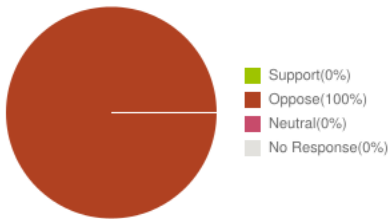
Submitted At: 4:40pm 10-31-22

There should be exceptions for employee parking, especially for employees earning less than the median Silicon Valley salary. Also, just saying, how would City Council Members feel about paying for parking when they drive to

City Hall? (I bet that very few, if any, Council Members are biking or taking a bus to Council meetings.)

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#### Susan Hinton

Location:

Submitted At: 4:23pm 10-31-22

If the Council can't talk about Council Members receiving gifts from the 49ers, which is illegal, then why would the Council talk about a perfectly legal and appropriate letter to Governor Newsom? As for the other issue, would "leaking confidential information" be hearsay? So far the public has heard only innuendo from sources proven in the past to be unreliable, with no hard facts, unlike the 49er gifts which included upper tier NFL seats, being seen at a game, and written firsthand statements.