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**Subject:** RE: Appeal for not to use diesel power generator on the 2905 Stender Way project site.

Hello Sam,

Thank you for your email.

The proposed data center use and overall features on-site were approved under the PD rezoning at the June 15<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Please note that there was a 7 day appeal period after the decision at City Council was made. The appeal period has already passed.

This project is currently scheduled for the July 28<sup>th</sup> Development Review Hearing, however this meeting is only for the review of the exterior building materials and landscaping – not for the use or the layout of the project as this has already been approved.

Thank you,

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Dear Tiffany,

Firstly, I want to thank you and other staff, all Planning Commissioners and all the City Councilmembers for your hard work on planning and reviewing the 2905 Stender Way project.

At same time, I strongly urge City councilmembers and City Planning Commissioners not to approve the project since the Developer of this project plans to use a diesel power generator on its site.

Mayor Gillmor, on behalf of Santa Clara city, signed “Diesel Free by 2033” Statement of Purpose on August 2, 2018. That is an excellent pledge and inspirational (a signed copy is attached here). However, while the ink of the signature is still wet, Mayor Gillmor appears voting for approval of this project which includes a diesel generator on its site. Like many impacted Santa Clara community members, I am extremely disappointed since apparently, by doing so, the Mayor breaks her promise as demonstrated in her pledge to the public for Diesel Free by 2033. Here is a basic formula: if a diesel power generators is added to Santa Clara city at any time between August of 2018 and the end of 2033 (The Pledge Period), “Diesel Free by 2033” pledge is greatly compromised. And if more diesel power generators are added in during this period, in my opinion, the “Diesel Free by 2033” pledge will become empty words without any value.

Grace Center located at 3010 Olcott Street, is just a few hundred feet away from this project site. The elderlies in Grace Center are very vulnerable to air pollutions generated from the diesel power generators on the site. The patients who visit Crossover Healthcare Center at 2371 Owens Street, which is also within several hundred feet from this project site, are also very vulnerable to the same diesel pollution from this project site. With a slightly further distance on the north of this project site, future residents including children and elderlies at the massive Santa Clara Square Apartments would encounter the same health threat due to using the diesel power generator on the project site. We strongly oppose using the diesel power generator on 2905 Stender Way project and urge the City to consider other way of power backup to save our clean air in Santa Clara. This could be a major health concern to all the impacted neighbors.

State government agency BAAQMD (Bay Area Air Quality Management District) also seriously concerned using diesel power generator on the project site. Actually BAAQMD awarded a \$300k grant to SVP for replacing data center backup diesel generators with solar cells or electric energy storage systems or other zero-emitting alternatives. I would ask why BAAQMD’s concerns and proposals had been repeatedly ignored by the Developer and the City. We strongly believe that the project owner should take advantage of this award.

Thank you for your time to read my appeal.

Respectfully,  
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