

# Council and Authorities Concurrent Meeting on 2021-10-19 4:30 PM

Meeting Time: 10-19-21 16:30

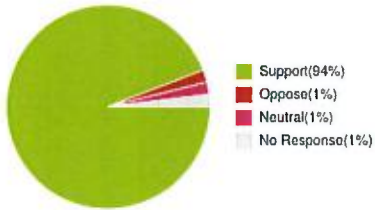
## eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Council and Authorities Concurrent Meeting on 2021-10-19 4:30 PM	10-19-21 16:30	80	51	48	1	1

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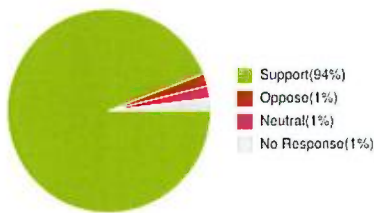
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
CONTINUANCES/EXCEPTIONS/RECONSIDERATIONS	1	1	0	0
A. 21-1478 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) submitted by Morteza Shafiei, as representative of HOAs on October 7, 2021 to add an Agenda Item to a future Council Agenda to Consider the Purchase of lot at 1601 Civic Center Drive	49	47	1	0
3. 21-1416 Direction to Staff on Alternatives for Revisions to the El Camino Real Specific Plan; Possible Action on the Consultant Contract with Rami & Associates and budget amendment for Revisions to the El Camino Real Specific Plan (Continued from September 28, 2021 and to be Heard Early on Agenda )	1	0	0	1

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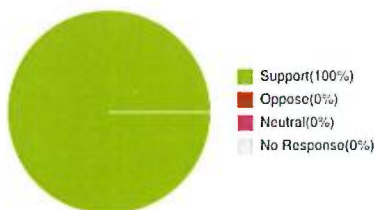
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### VENEE CRUZ

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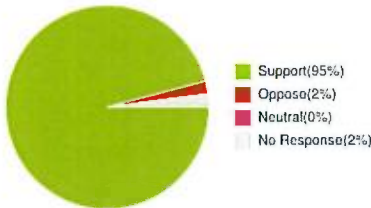
Submitted At: 7:46pm 10-19-21

100 % I support Agenda item 12A, to build into a neighborhood Park, in 1601 Civic Center Drive, to promote and enhance a well harmoniously living in our community. A peaceful, and orderly community will always prevail.

To the members of City Council, please support us, please vote ' YES ' Our community is counting on you. Thank you.

Agenda Item: eComments for A. 21-1478 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) submitted by Morteza Shafiei, as representative of HOAs on October 7, 2021 to add an Agenda Item to a future Council Agenda to Consider the Purchase of lot at 1601 Civic Center Drive

#### Overall Sentiment



#### Sinan Liu

Location:

Submitted At: 12:17am 10-20-21

I strongly support Agenda item 12A. We do need a park for people, especially kids, in the neighborhood

#### Wei Zheng

Location:

Submitted At: 11:17pm 10-19-21

I strongly support Agenda item 12A. A park would be crucial for raising a family, providing a safe environment for kids to play, and building strong community.

#### Keyhan Sinai

Location:

Submitted At: 11:00pm 10-19-21

I support 12A..The City cannot allow "affordable" housing to become a wedge used by developers to promote their agenda. We are the true owners of this City not developers. Who will hold Charities Housing (actually a tax-exempt entity ) accountable for 13 months of torture they put their neighbors thru? We need green space, adequate parking , and a safe neighborhood. Let's not compound existing problems by politically expedient quick fixes. A park is an affordable long term solution.

#### Vishal SL

Location:

Submitted At: 10:31pm 10-19-21

Totally support the idea of a park. It will be a great use of the space, providing fresh air and a open track for people to walk around and kids to play.

#### Sunil Bhagwani

Location:

Submitted At: 10:19pm 10-19-21

Strongly support 12A. City has been only thinking about building houses, but for building communities we need open space where children can play & adults can meet. Area around this site is already very dense & over saturated with recently completed housing projects. Additionally, the sneaky/non-transparent way Charities Housings has moved their proposal thus far raises many red flags. I request City to reject their application for exploiting loop holes & save itself from potential legal troubles

**Reshma Kotwal**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:15pm 10-19-21

I strongly support agenda item 12A. Why a Park you may ask? Parks contribute to a healthy neighborhood, a safe environment for kids to play and grow, people to interact and grow socially and in turn contribute towards a healthy and happy county. A park will help the economy; parks create an economic benefit for both the city and the residents. Retail and businesses near parks will benefit and flourish. A park will add environmental, aesthetic, and recreation benefit to our youth and city.

**Morteza Shafiei**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:12pm 10-19-21

I support this agenda item 12A. We are all aware of the housing shortage in California. However, this problem should not be approached in any way possible, regardless of the impact on the existing infrastructure and existing citizens and neighborhoods. High-density constructions should be developed in the areas in our city that can be designed and developed to handle high-density housing and its requirements.

**Deepa Hotchandani**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:06pm 10-19-21

I strongly support Agenda item 12A. An overwhelming number of citizens in our neighborhood want a park, not a 60' tall building with severe shortage of parking and a developer who has a track record of not protecting immediate neighbors, disregarding us and acting behind our backs. We are not against housing but it should be developed at suitable sites and not to just benefit the developers at the expense of existing communities.

**Thien Thai**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:59pm 10-19-21

I Support agenda item 12A to build a neighborhood park in 1601 Civic Center drive, to continue to promote a peaceful and orderly community.

With due respect to the City Council, our community is counting on you.

Please vote YES for agenda 12A

There's already too much traffic noise and petty theft.

**Sunil Ra**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:59pm 10-19-21

I am long time santa clara resident and stay near 1601 civic center dr. The proposed 6 floor low income housing violates the privacy of the adjacent homes, adding noise and parking congestion as well as increasing both foot and auto traffic. Alternative to have a community center, dog park, nursery

**Shirley Deng**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:57pm 10-19-21

I am strongly in support of having a park in 1601 Civic Center Dr. Neighbors in this area need more open spaces and parks for kids to play with and grow healthy especially during the Covid period. Please help us take this forward and consider a park in our neighborhood.

**Sneha Shah**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:54pm 10-19-21

Add this to the council agenda to improve the neighborhood and give people a decent living area for the prices we have paid for these homes. Currently, neighborhood parks are plagued with homeless, trash and sewer. There is no car parking and absolutely zero upkeep of the vicinity. This park is a much needed uplift to the

neighborhood.

**Min Yang**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:39pm 10-19-21

Another apartment across El Camino Real is under construction already. If we can have a park in our neighborhood, it'll benefit our community a lot.

**Ray Sport**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:35pm 10-19-21

Please consider a park in our neighborhood. This will improve the neighborhood with more green and walking space. It will also create a safe space for the neighborhood kids to play together.

**Shuo Cao**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:32pm 10-19-21

in support of establishing a park for the improved wellness of residents with living-friendly environment

**David Sternitzke**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:05pm 10-19-21

Strong support.

**Brenda Collins**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:49pm 10-19-21

I am in support of the petition to establish a public park. A park will enhance the quality of life for the children and seniors living near Civic Center Drive. Additionally housing will cause addition cause an additional burden to current residents who struggle to find safe and secure street parking.

**Sumit Rao**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:43pm 10-19-21

The neighborhood around 1601 Civic Centre Drive is seriously lacking a beautiful park where residents can walk, kids can play and breathe some fresh air. With the current density, it is highly congested and there is no such location for residents to go unwind. Hence I strongly support Agenda 12A to build a park in the community. Requesting the council members to please help us take this forward.

**Disha Shetty**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:37pm 10-19-21

I strongly support Agenda item 12A. This neighborhood is already pretty congested and what we need is an open space and community park. It is our sincere request to the council members to please vote Yes on this. This will greatly benefit the current residents and future generations to come.

**Atul Madhusudan**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:37pm 10-19-21

I support the project. A park is the right direction to go

**Flora Kho**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:37pm 10-19-21

I strongly support Agenda item 12A.

We love our community and really hope it better. But the limited parking space and activity areas are a big concern in our community right now. Building a new apartment will definitely increase density in our community and make the situation even worse. As a resident of the civic center community, I really hope to build a park. Thank you!

**Liang Li**

Location:  
Submitted At: 8:33pm 10-19-21

I strongly support this petition! Turning it into a park will greatly improve the city's image and the nearby communities' well-being. On the other hand, it could improve the parking, noise and safety conditions around the civic center park.

**Anil Rao**

Location:  
Submitted At: 8:26pm 10-19-21

I strongly support this and request Santa Clara council to address the needs of the community. This area with that kind of housing density is in need of more open spaces and park is the right direction to go.

**Rajendra Kundapur**

Location:  
Submitted At: 8:01pm 10-19-21

Strongly support the neighborhood park. I am assuming that the elected council members understand the needs of Santa Clara residence and would take the right next steps for the well being of their residence.

**Lisa Huang**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:58pm 10-19-21

I strongly support building a park at 1601 Civic center Drive. The neighborhood has too much density housing with limited parking areas and greens. Building a park would benefit all the neighborhood, and it would make our community be a place to raise the next generation.

**Chuang Qian**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:52pm 10-19-21

Community along civic center already has denser population than many other more quiet residential areas, given most housing in the neighborhood are apartments and condos. Unfortunately, except the very small civic center park, there is really no park in walking distance. As a resident in this neighborhood, we feel desperate need of more open space to relax. I respectfully urge the council to please build a park in 1601 civic center.

**Ross daSilva**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:42pm 10-19-21

Building a park would complement the city hall and museum. The neighborhood already has too much highly density housing. A park would give residents a place to venture out and feel less cramped.

**Christine Fu**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:39pm 10-19-21

I strong support 12A to build a neighborhood park in 1601 civic center dr. Good petition is improve community environment, safe , no adequate space parking and green area. Vote YES for agenda 12A.

**VENEE CRUZ**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:37pm 10-19-21

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**Jean-Noel Billaud**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:21pm 10-19-21

Strongly support the petition. I don't want a high rise building in this neighborhood. A low-income 2-3 stories with a reduced number of units with the same exact number of parking spots will be preferable. A small commercial center that gather small shops and restaurants and cafes would be a nice alternative as well. Everybody will benefit, values of homes will increase, less congestion and parking for everybody.

**Jiacong He**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:20pm 10-19-21

Support the idea of building a park in the 1601 Civic Center Drive. This will lower the density and improves the living quality for the neighbourhood.

**Leon Li**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:18pm 10-19-21

I support the proposal to re-purpose the zone as a park. As a resident of the neighbor community, I constantly feel the lack of open spaces in the community. We need an outdoor green place that is suitable for our kids to enjoy their childhood lives.

**Yifan Jiang**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:13pm 10-19-21

Adding another ultra-dense building to the already space-limited neighborhood is simply a poor decision. We are long experiencing shortage of parking, green space, noise, petty crime and pollution. Our neighborhood cannot afford another ultra-dense building. Please instead turn 1601 Civic Center Drive into a park for the benefit of all existing residents.

**Henry He**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:07pm 10-19-21

I strong support 12A to build a neighborhood park. This will bring peaceful and improve the safety of this area. This area is already too crowded, a lot of local crimes, constructing affordable housing will make the situation even worse.

**Sridhar Lakshminarayana**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:00pm 10-19-21

I support to add this to the agenda. Not sure why this would need a petition given this was on the agenda at the last council meeting. There are several high density homes in Santa Clara and Adding more in an already congested area of Santa Clara is going to make local crime, parking AMD vehicular traffic worse than before.

**Xuehui Zhu**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:00pm 10-19-21

Strongly support the written petition. We need more parks around to continue building a peaceful neighborhood.

Constructing affordable housing brings no good except arising more insecure activities like drug use, the homeless roam.

**Kevin Si**

Location:

Submitted At: 6:35pm 10-19-21

This project will only add to the congestion and lack of parking in the neighborhood. There is already a lot of homeless activity and possible drug use in the church parking lot right next to this project, and a low income project will only invite more of this. Promoting low income housing will bring housing prices down and make our neighborhood less desirable compared to other areas of Santa Clara with upscale new buildings

**MARIA ESPINOSA**

Location:

Submitted At: 6:33pm 10-19-21

I Support agenda item 12A to build a neighborhood park in 1601 Civic Center drive, to continue to promote a peaceful and orderly community.

With due respect to the City Council, our community is counting on you.

Please vote YES for agenda 12A

**Edna Pampy**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:55pm 10-19-21

I support the written petition impacting my neighborhood and property values, The City needs to listen to the needs of the existing community.

**Bryce Yao**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:35pm 10-19-21

Petition is strongly supported. Good petition to improve community environment, reduce safety concerns and improve overall living conditions of the city.

**Ye Cao**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:33pm 10-19-21

I support the petition because the high density project at 1601 Civic Centre will cause more issue with parking, green area, safety and so on. The city should find other better places for home building but definitely not within existing neighborhood.

**dwarkanath sakpal**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:19pm 10-19-21

Strongly support the petition .High density project at 1601 Civic Centre is NOT feasible with no adequate space ,parking and green area.

Charity housing worked behind our back and pushed the project ,we residents caught unaware.

Fully support a park in the area.

**Charlotte Wang**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:19pm 10-19-21

I support the petition to build a park in the neighborhood I am living. The whole neighborhood already tolerate limited parking and activities areas, a park is the best way to relieve this situation. And the neighbors have more chance to do activities especially due to covid conditions. It would be great to have more outdoor area.

**Bradley Gardner**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:28pm 10-19-21

I am writing to support more home building in Santa Clara. I am a Santa Clara resident, native, and voter currently serving my country overseas. Every time I return home some of my friends have been forced out by high rents. I am worried that with my salary I will be left with no home to go back to. Please allow homes to be built.



**Eric Lee**

Location:  
Submitted At: 1:46pm 10-19-21

I am a resident at 1690 Civic Center Drive since 2002. I am a bit concerned that such a large development proposal to both amend the General Plan as well as re-zone the parcel in question has been put forth with a) no input from local residents and b) without any consideration of alternative options for use of the space. Allowing developers to approach City Council carte blanche with high-density development projects without any due regard for local citizens "QoL" needs to stop. -Eric Lee

**bob walters**

Location:  
Submitted At: 1:04pm 10-19-21

Too many waivers are asked for. This is a for-profit company playing on emotion to try to get financial advantage. Don't fall for it -- the rules are there for a reason.

**Sivaji Yara**

Location:  
Submitted At: 10:59am 10-19-21

Representing an home owners association in this area. Parking is already a huge challenge.

**Aditya Auradkar**

Location:  
Submitted At: 10:00am 10-19-21

I'm a neighboring HOA member, and I support this written petition. Our area is extremely congested for parking already, and there aren't really any good parks very close by given the density of our housing.

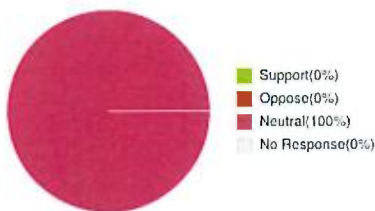
**Alex Salzmann**

Location:  
Submitted At: 9:27pm 10-17-21

I am a BMR condo owner and neighboring HOA Board Member. I am for affordable housing for all. I am opposed to the development at 1601 Civic Center because the current plan has inadequate parking and the building is much taller than the neighboring residential buildings. The neighboring multi-family complexes already have inadequate parking, and street parking is already tight. Also, our neighborhood school has an 80% low income rate. Why are all the poor put in the the same space in Santa Clara?

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Overall Sentiment



**Bradley Gardner**

Location:  
Submitted At: 2:25pm 10-19-21

I am writing to express my strong concerns about the Council's move to zone for lower densities in the El Camino corridor. I am a Santa Clara resident, native, and voter currently serving my country overseas. Every time I return home some of my friends have been forced out by high rents, all while the City Council has outlawed new construction where they could live. I am worried that with my salary I will be left with no home to go back to. Please reconsider and allow homes to be built.