

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Regional Housing Need Allocation](#)
Subject: Housing Element Appeals
Date: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 12:32:46 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to echo my partners sentiments. I feel the same way he does, that housing for all should be a top community effort. Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on the Housing Element Appeals. I am a homeowner [REDACTED].

While a resident of Pleasanton, the Tri-Valley region's housing market needs to be examined as a whole. The inaction of one municipality affects the housing of all residents in the region. As such, I am writing to express my disappointment in and disapproval of the appeals filed by the City of Pleasanton, Town of Danville, City of San Ramon, and City of Dublin:

City of Pleasanton: The City of Pleasanton is appealing on the grounds that water supplies and land are too limited. Water supply is limited across the state and Bay Area. By neglecting our responsibility to build housing, we are simply pushing the water burden to another community - a community that is likely part of the same water utility anyways. As for land, Pleasanton is rich with underutilized land. There are multiple vacant lots that could be used for high-density housing with access to good schools and commercial amenities. Additionally, there are huge swaths of vacant parking lots near our two BART stations that need the right incentives to be redeveloped. Finally, there is the entire County Fairgrounds, next to the ACE train, that could be so much more than empty fields and parking lots.

Town of Danville: The Town of Danville is appealing on the grounds that their lack of public transit would be detrimental to the well-being of people who would live in affordable housing. Not having public transit is a choice that the community made and continues to make. It is a form of segregation because they exclude those who need buses from living in the community. The fact that Danville choses to be segregated should not be an excuse to continue that segregation by denying affordable housing.

City of San Ramon: In the City of San Ramon's appeal, they admit that they have lots of jobs and should build housing near their employment centers. However, they are at the same time rejecting the amount of housing that needs to be built. San Ramon can provide so much economic opportunity to so many Californians through employment. Those people deserve to live near work, and they will pollute less and cause less traffic if they don't have to drive as far.

City of Dublin: The City of Dublin is appealing, in part, because they have built a lot of housing recently and do not feel the continued pressure is fair. We should all be very grateful to Dublin for leading the Tri-Valley in building new homes for our neighbors. However, they need to keep that momentum up. Every community in the Bay Area needs to do all they can.

Thank you again for the opportunity to write in and express my views.

Best,

Alison Kuelz

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