

Joey Mariano < jmariano@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Fwd: 861 E El Camino Real design and development permit

1 message

Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 2:17 PM

From: John & Betty Licking

Date: Mon, Mar 28, 2016 at 9:29 PM

Subject: 861 E El Camino Real design and development permit

To: mnetto@sunnvvale.ca.gov

Margaret Netto:

I will not be able to attend the public hearing but still wanted to express my thoughts regarding this project.

Potential Impacts:

Noise and Cultural Impacts should be minimal; no problem.

Additional traffic being generated on El Camino Real is a serious problem with no solution in sight, this would only worsen this problem. I can't see anyone building a 5 story 162 room hotel if they didn't think it would be often fairly full. 162 rooms would likely equal at least 162 trips to the

Hotel each day, most for the rooms but many also for the staff, and another 162 from the hotel, or at least 324 trips each day. Very likely more if

they were able to fill more of the rooms and also if they had any sort of meeting spaces where many additional people would be coming for special events.

A 5 story building is much higher than almost all of the other buildings in this area. A 3 story building with underground parking would fit the character of the area much better and somewhat mitigate the traffic problems this project would generate. This would also minimize the solar shading issue. Solar shading might not be too much concern for many but as we have solar electric generation, solar panels for our pool, and solar panels for heating our hot water and also our house I am more aware of this issue. Solar can be a very real benefit but a 5 story building adjacent to someone else's property, especially when the building is close to the property line, forever eliminates this as an option in the future; not good if the City ever wants to encourage the installation of solar. If I had the adjacent building and this was really an issue for me I would probably be satisfied if the hotel just put several panels on their roof and then wired those into my house; something like this could be a possible solution for some neighbors. I don't know how to get around the traffic issue; that is still a serious problem.

Thank you for listening; please pass this on to the City Council at the meeting.

John Licking





Fwd: Projects and Plans

1 message

Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 2:19 PM

From: Stanley Taguchi Date: Tue, Mar 29, 2016 at 8:52 AM Subject: Projects and Plans To: mnetto@sunnyvale.ca.gov
City Council Hearing file #:2014-7633 No on building 5 Story Hotel or a so called INN. We need a Park there stick with the Zone Law. It is the numbe one on the ballot.
Stanley M. Taguchi and family, Ed, Setsuko and Patrick. Sunnyvale, 94086.
We're to addicted to industry.
If you would like to talk to me my phone number is,
There is too much carbon monoxides in the air. It will multiply many folds. Apple campus and the University. We need to put a more balanced approach to the EPA Policy.
- Sent from Gmail Mobile
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Margaret Netto, Contract Planner Community Development Department
City of Sunnyvale Phone: (408) 730-7628

mnetto@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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Fwd: Project at 861 E El Camino Real

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Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 2:19 PM

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From: bill channell

Date: Mon, Mar 28, 2016 at 6:19 PM Subject: Project at 861 E El Camino Real

To: "mnetto@sunnyvale.ca.gov" <mnetto@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Cc: Bill Channell

Hi,

I received the notice on the above project. I live in the area and have gotten very concerned about all the projects on Wolfe road. I am concerned that traffic will be really bad, which will decrease air quality and my quality of life. If the recycled water project happens, then I think this project and all other proposed projects on Wolfe road be put on hold until after all the current projects are completed.

I hope the city will think of its citizens before developers.

Sincerely,

Bill Channell

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Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 2:33 PM



Proposed Hotel on Wolfe & El Camino

Christina Gorokhovsky
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov,

Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 7:37 AM

Hi,

Please protect this city from the loss of another beloved business. The proposed hotel at Wolfe and El Camino will make it impractical for neighboring Golfland to continue its operations.

Me and my children, along with many, many others, enjoy spending time together at Golfland. I see many teens working and playing there - I appreciate that this business is there for them.

People from all over the Southbay drive to Sunnyvale and Golfland to enjoy the family activities offered.

Please protect this existing business!!!

Christina Gorokhovsky

Santa Clara 95054

Sent from Gmail Mobile



PlanningCommission AP <planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

No building variances at El Camino Real and Wolfe

Chris Stahl

Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 7:54 AM

To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Dear Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I am writing to express the urgency with which you should grant NO variances to the out-of-town developers that are requesting the opportunity to build a hotel that would stick out like a sore thumb from the beloved landscape that Sunnyvale cherishes. It would set a dangerous precedent for the future look and feel of Sunnyvale. Most immediately, the variances would irreparably harm the ambiance of Golfland-USA, one of the last historic Sunnyvale icon, and one of the very few family friendly, outdoor recreation spaces in the Bay Area.

Please do not set our city on a path that Palo Alto is already on and now struggling to reverse, with controversy about a similar hotel this past year.

Please do not jeopardize another icon of our city - Golfland - that continues to offer the fading opportunities for family friendly outdoor activity, and brings business from such families to neighboring restaurants and other businesses.

Please to not let out-of-town developers that know nothing of our community, except that it looks like a good financial opportunity on paper, change our community in this way.

Please do not grant the variances that would allow this development.

Thank you,

Chris Stahl

Red Oak Dr. East, Unit F, Sunnyvale

From: Pratik Radadia

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 2:24 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Golfland

Subject: Re: Golfland - We need the communities help!

Dear Planning Commission,

Why don't you allow 100 story high building and just ruin fun for our children and family at once!!!!! Please stop this madness and leave some land for family fun....

Thanks, Pratik

On Monday, October 12, 2015 12:15 PM, Golfland

wrote:

Dear Friends and Community,

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We ask that you please attend the Planning Commission Hearing on October 12, 2015 at 8:00pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA and voice your opinion against a 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland and become the new panorama. If you don't have time to attend

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the meeting please send an email to <u>planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u> and cc me at with your name and address so it can be presented at the meeting and future meetings.

Please forward this email to friends, family, and community who have enjoyed Golfland and want to see it stick around.

Thank you, Jason Kenney 3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA

Unsubscribe this list:

Our mailing address is: Golfland Entertainment Centers, Inc. 855 E. El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087 USA

From:	Kathryn Axtell
Sent:	Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:35 PM
To:	PlanningCommission AP
Subject:	Re: Please nurture Community Recreation Mecca: GOLF-LAND
Thank you very much	h, Cristina, and for the fast response!
:)	
On Oct 13, 2015, at 1	12:32 PM, PlanningCommission AP < <u>planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u> > wrote:
Dear Kathryn Axtell,	
Thank you for your email	l to the Planning Commission.
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Thank you,	
Cristina Pfeffer	
Administrative Aide	
CDD/Planning	
City of Sunnyvale	

On Tue, Oct 13, 2015 at 9:13 AM, Kathryn Axtell wrote: Greetings Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I have been a resident of Sunnyvale for 25 years and my husband's family another 25 before me. There are touch points in Sunnyvale that warm the heart and bring our community together. Golfland is one of these places. Good, clean, affordable fun. Every kid in the surrounding area is familiar with Golf-land.

If the Kellers are committed to providing this resource to folks, the least the community can do is to let the sun shine on Golf-land!

Thank you,

Kathryn Axtell & Family

From: Kathryn Axtell

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:32 PM

To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov; Community.outreach@vta.org

Subject: BRT - El Camino Real plan feedback

Hello Planning Commissioners,

As a result of interaction with a neighbor, I just now looked up the BRT plan for El Camino (been meaning to). I like it very much.

My family would use this as a safer bicycle route and as a way to link up with public transport. We would be able to walk over to the bus stop on Hollenbeck Avenue, transfer to a rapid transit bus going north or south(or is it east or west?), then get all the way to trains, airports, sports arenas, cultural events and theaterseven see my brother in Oakland....

I am extremely concerned about global warming and how it will affect my kid's future. I frequently ask myself how I can get places without a car. This plan would help our family sync up with public transit more easily but also more safely. The stations and bump outs, dedicated bike /bus lanes, are all about safety. That would encourage a huge population of people who feel unsafely exposed on the roads, that they have a viable route to work, etc. All the commuters I know would completely re-think the possibilities.

Mountain View was a sleepy, poorer cousin to Sunnyvale when I moved there 27 years ago. But then they redesigned it with a performing arts theatre right in the center of downtown, made it more pedestrian-friendly and upgraded their connections to public transit... now Mt. View is a very *happening* town!

I think that if my city of Sunnyvale opted out of the BRT, as this person desires, then it would also become an island unto itself when cities up and down and adjacent, create it.

Assuming that best practices were used to create the best and most clever of plans, I support the BRT plan for El Camino.

Best regards, Kathryn Axtell & Family

From:	raven erebus
Sent:	Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:21 PM
To:	PlanningCommission AP
Subject:	Re: Golfland
Thank you for keeping me in	formed.
Best, raven	
On Tue, Oct 13, 2015 at 12:0	06 PM, PlanningCommission AP < <u>planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u> > wrote:
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Thank you,	
Cristina Pfeffer	
Administrative Aide	
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409 720 7440	
408-730-7440	

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 5:38 PM, raven erebus Wrote: Hi,

I am opposed to the proposed 5 story hotel that would ruin Golfland. Let's preserve a cherished LOCAL business, rather than letting out of state businesses ruin something special.

best, raven erebus resident From: Trudi Ryan

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:07 PM

To: Cristina Pfeffer

Cc: Margaret Netto; Gerri Caruso; Hanson Hom; Rebecca Moon; PlanningCommission AP

Subject: Re: OPERATIONAL - Golfland and hotel development

Cristina, can you send the generic response please.

Trudi Ryan, AICP Planning Officer City of Sunnyvale 408-730-7435

tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:28 AM, Cristina Pfeffer < cpfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov > wrote: Forwarding operational item from Planning Commission Answer Point.

Outside of official commission meetings, individual commission members are not authorized to represent the City or their commission and therefore this item is being forwarded as *Information Only*. Individual commission members should not respond to the individual.

City staff, please respond within 72 hours.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer

Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale (408) 730-7440 cpfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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From: **Deborah Gorman** <dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Date: Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:23 AM

Subject: Fwd: POLICY--Fwd: Golfland and hotel development

To: Cristina Pfeffer < <u>CPfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u>> Cc: Gerri Caruso < <u>gcaruso@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u>>

Another email regarding concerns for Golfland regarding old SummerWinds site - PC item going tonight.

Deborah Gorman, Administrative Aide City of Sunnyvale, CDD dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov (408) 730-7642

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On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 8:42 AM, Council AnswerPoint < council@sunnyvale.ca.gov> wrote:

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From: **Lisa**

Date: Sun, Oct 11, 2015 at 4:21 PM Subject: Golfland and hotel development

To: "council@sunnyvale.ca.gov" <council@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Dear Council members,

It has come to my attention that Sunnyvale planning commission may be allowing a five story hotel to be built next to the corner of El Camino Real and Wolfe road, next to Golfland. If this is allowed Golfland will basically be in the shade and under the surrounding shadows of a five story hotel. This should not happen nor be allowed to happen. Sunnyvale has made some very poor choices in its development, look at our non functional buildings downtown along with an unusable parking structure. Why should Golfland suffer because someone wants more revenue? Build a hotel across the street from the same area and forget about residential housing! Over growth is not a positive thing.

I have lived 55 years in Sunnyvale and we have grown but lets continue to grow in the right direction and not over shadow our privately owned businesses

I vote NO for the hotel!

Regard,

Lisa Atkins 842 W Remington Dr Sunnyvale, 94087

Sent from my iPhone

Ms. Heidi Kirk
Executive Assistant
Office of the Mayor and City Council
City of Sunnyvale
456 West Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94088, USA
hkirk@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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From: Leslie Heuschkel

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:26 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: We love Golfland!!

To whom it may concern,

I have grown up in the Bay Area and have loved going to Golfland as a child and I now enjoy bringing my children there. Please ensure that Golfland can continue to operate and thrive in it's current location. It is one of the few family friendly places for outdoor fun. It would be a huge loss to the community if it were to be driven out of our area.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Leslie Heuschkel Vallejo Dr. San Jose, CA 95130

To: planningcommission@	sunnyvale.ca.gov
Cc:	
Subject: Golfland Support	
Dear Sir or Madam,	
golf and video games at Golfland as a child, and cherish the years. My son is now six years old; and my wife and	when he hit his first hole-in-one there; and every so often, we'll
	or development of hotel property in Sunnyvale. But I also hope at with the interests of Golfland. I genuinely hope to play golf warm sunshine of Sunnyvale.
Kind regards,	
Brian Gin	
Calgary Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087	

Brian Gin

From:

From: Dana Rao

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:45 AM

To: Aaron Aguas-Rao; planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: RE: Golfland in Sunnyvale

In addition to Aaron's points, I would also like to note that, as a 13 year resident of Sunnyvale, the traffic at Wolfe/El Camino is among the worst in the local area. I really don't understand how you can plan to add so much more congestion and traffic to an already extremely busy intersection. These sorts of decisions significantly impact our quality of life here, just getting to and from the grocery store, pet store, local restaurants, etc. I find myself shopping more in Santa Clara now b/c traveling north down El Camino toward Wolfe is so difficult.

I find it to be a very frustrating time as a resident of Sunnyvale when I feel all we do is battle with the city to preserve the qualities of family-friendliness that drew us here in the first place. Golfland is a perfect example of one of the few remaining family amenities that remain in Sunnyvale, and it should be maintained (and encouraged!) as it is.

Dana

From: Aaron Aguas-Rao [

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:33 AM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Dana Rao

Subject: Golfland in Sunnyvale

Dear Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

My husband and I purchased a home in Sunnyvale in 2001. It has been a wonderful community in which to raise our two daughters (ages 13 and 15).

Something we have always loved about our community is the local family owned and operated Golfland. It has been a part of our family since my children were very small. I have such vivid memories of my small girls swinging clubs that were almost as tall as them. As they grew, they attended countless birthday parties and girl scout field trips at Golfland. As teens, Golfland has provided them with a safe place to be together with friends. It has been invaluable to have a neighborhood place for our entire family to walk, talk and laugh over the fact that one of us still always manages to hit our golf ball into the water.

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I implore you to make a better choice and support a local family run business that has provided such a valuable function to our community. Golfland has provided our community with a safe place to be outside and engaged with each other, lets support those ideals.

Sincerely,
Aaron Aguas-Rao
Cotswald Court

<ACL>

Paul Erickson

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:38 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Please don't urbanize Sunnyvale. One by one the little things that make it worth living here are slowly being torn down and replaced by the same buildings. Parts of El Camino are already becoming a canyon of heavy traffic. Bowling alleys are gone, the surrounding area has lost Dairy Queen and Foster Freeze and the miniature golf course and kart track up on RWC. As a native of Los Altos, Sunnyvale is still in my recreation zone. I just hope you can save yourselves from the building that is swamping El Camino in Mountain View with new apartments, and condos and hotels and leave us things to enjoy besides shopping and eating.

Thanks,

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Sincerely, Aaron Aguas-Rao Cotswald Court Sunnyvale, CA 94087 From: Kathryn Axtell

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:14 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Please nurture Community Recreation Mecca: GOLF-LAND

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Thank you,

Kathryn Axtell & Family

Sent:Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:07 AMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: New hotel on corner

To whom it may concern,

Putting a 5 story hotel on that corner would be such an eye sore, and would take so much away from Golfland. My family has been going there for generations, and I now take my Grandsons golfing often. It is one of the few places left for Families to go and have good quality time together.

Please don't take that away for future generations.

Thank you,

Cindy Torkildson Victoria Ave. Santa Clara, CA From: Jay Hopkins

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:49 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Outdoor Family Fun

Having been in the Bay Area since 1970 I have , as have my 3 kids, enjoyed the outdoor facility that Golfland provides. Truth is there aren't many places like it in the South Bay. It would be a shame to take most of the sunshine away by allowing a 5 story hotel to be put up next door. Hopefully my daughter , who lives in Sunnyvale will be able to take her kids to GFolfland and enjoy the outdoor experience as much as we have. Thanks.

Jay Hopkins

Grapnel Pl.

Cupertino, CA 95014

From: Adriana Hartley

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 6:32 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Vote NO on more hote on El Camino in Sunnyvale

There are so many reasons why we don't need a five story hotel on the old Summerwinds Nursery lot.

- 1. Golfland needs the sun for their outdoor experience. Blocking the sun with a high rise hotel kills the ambiance and benefits from being outdoors and changes the experience. This will ruin their business and is unfair.
- 2. The traffic down Wolfe road is already backed up for miles. Adding another hotel will bring even more traffic messes. There is a fire station not even a half mile away. How will the emergency vehicles be able to get through the congestion?
- 3. With two Apple campuses being built on both ends of Wolfe Road, please don't add any more reasons to slow down the flow of vehicles through our city. Please consider the major impact you're imposing on residents who live in the neighborhoods surrounding Wolfe road who can barely get through town because of the already increased traffic flow. You have major projects being considered at Butcher's Corner, the Summerwinds Lot and the new hotel that's already causing congestion just around the corner at the old Arke site on Fair Oaks.

Preserve the sunshine. Preserve our city.

Adriana

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Thank you, Jason Kenney 3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA

address is:
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855 E. El Camino Real
Sunnyvale, CA 94087
USA

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From: Richard Funderburk

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 6:11 AM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland adjacent development

Dear Planning Commission,

I am writing on behalf of Golfland USA, in Sunnyvale, CA. This miniature golf site provides a fun, family friendly location to unwind and enjoy the beautiful surroundings and just being outdoors in Sunnyvale. I understand that you are looking to approve the building of a large hotel next door. This will turn a park-like atmosphere into, essentially, playing in a parking lot! If the view of the whole south side of Golfland becomes the side of a building, casting a shadow over the majority of the property, the whole concept of being outdoors is diminished. Part of the fun of Golfland is enjoying the beautiful weather in Sunnyvale!

I ask that you please reconsider this development project and look to keep Golfland a Sunnyvale tradition for family outings.

Sincerely, Richard Funderburk San Jose, CA From: Brydon Raethel

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 5:57 AM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: No five story hotel on the summer winds site

I don't think it's a good idea to have a huge hotel overshadowing Golf Land.

I'd like to put my name on the list of residents against the hotel development.

Brydon Raethel
Durham Ct
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Justin Scott

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:59 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Comments on 5 story hotel

Hello,

I'm writing because I recently heard about plans to build a new 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland. For a number of years I lived in Palo Alto and Redwood City, and would regularly make trips to Golfland -- it was one of my favorite spots for fun with friends and dates. Even since moving to San Francisco 2.5 years ago, I have still made several trips all the way down to Sunnyvale for the express purpose of taking friends to Golfland.

It would be a huge mistake to run Golfland out of town as proposed, as it's certainly the only reason I have visited Sunnyvale in the last few years (and spent money in the city). Sunnyvale already has plenty of hotels, as does every surrounding city. But there's only one Golfland in that area, and it's something that brings locals and visitors alike to have fun. It would be a huge shame to lose such an iconic family-run Sunnyvale establishment to a run of the mill hotel no one will look twice at.

Sincerely,

Justin Scott

Francisco St.

Apt. 401

San Francisco, CA 94133

From: Bonnie Hsia

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:37 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Sunnyvale Golfland

To: Sunnyvale Planning Commission

From: Bonnie Hsia, concerned local resident

Subject: Hotel proposal adjacent to Golfland Sunnyvale

Dear Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I am writing to urge you not to approve the hotel proposal adjacent to Golfland Sunnyvale.

Background Information:

Some of the joy of golfing at Golfland is the community feeling that Golfland, its staff, and its community support provide. There are already at least 16 hotels within 2 miles in either direction along El Camino Real. Moreover, Golfland is a historic icon of Sunnyvale that should not be hidden by a five story hotel that would wreak havoc on Golfland's clientele both during and post construction. Sunnyvale Planning Commission should deny this proposal because it would negatively impact a historic local business and its patrons, and another hotel is unnecessary in that vicinity.

Discussion:

Benefits of Golfland as it is

Having grown up in the Sunnyvale area and now raising my own child in this area, I have seen the wonderful community camaraderie that has been developed through the generosity of this family-owned business, a rare kind of business that should be fostered for its uniqueness. Golfland's Kenney family have been consistent supporters of the local community, such as donations to local schools, including West Valley Elementary School, and other children's programs. Moreover, Golfland's management hire local students to help run their business, providing job training, work experience, and professional skill development for the betterment of their employees' future successes. The result is that Golfland has not become a historic icon just because it has been at this location since 1958, but because it has provided a place for families and kids to gather in a positive social atmosphere that promotes fun and camaraderie with an emphasis on being outdoors in fresh air and sunshine enjoying physical activity and personal interaction, values that do not receive enough focus in modern times.

Nearby

Sunnyvale does not need yet another hotel that would block the breeze and the sunshine that patrons of Golfland enjoy. There are at least 13 hotels in Sunnyvale, according to Sunnyvale's Chamber of Commerce. Two of those hotels are visible from the Golfland property. Adding another hotel in the vicinity would hinder traffic in an already congested area as hotel occupants unfamiliar with the area attempt to navigate the nearby, often challenging, intersection that is Wolfe Road, El Camino Real, and Fremont Avenue. Moreover, Golfland's limited parking would likely be affected since hotel guests might be tempted to use Golfland parking in place of, often pricey, hotel parking. Finally, a hotel on this corner of El Camino and Wolfe Road would decrease the outdoor ambience of Golfland by reducing its open feel. In short, it would negatively impact some of Golfland's charm as an outdoor, open, family-friendly space.

Recommendation:

I urge you to deny this hotel proposal adjacent to Golfland in order to preserve the ambiance, charm, and history that is beloved by the local community. Golfland is in the hands of its family's third generation, and that speaks to their strong family values. Please allow these family values to continue being spread into our local community through the preservation of this historic presence as it is, without the obstruction of another unnecessary hotel.

Thank you for your time and denial of this hotel proposal.

Sincerely, Bonnie Hsia From: Kaushik Barde

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:04 PM

To: Golfland

Cc: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Re: Golfland - We need the communities help!

We've been Sunnyvale residents for almost 20 years and oppose this change add clutter to the GolfLand neighborhood.

Thanks.

Kaushik & Manjiri Barde, East Homestead Road, Sunnyvale, CA 94087.

Sent from my iPad

> On Oct 12, 2015, at 12:08 PM, Golfland wrote:

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> Thank you,	
> Jason Kenney	
> 3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA	
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- > Our mailing address is: > Golfland Entertainment Centers, Inc.
- > 855 E. El Camino Real
- > Sunnyvale, CA 94087 > USA

From: R. Meedon

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:20 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: 5 story hotel

Hello,

Please do not approve this hotel and shade Golfland.

Richard Meedon
Allen Way
Campbell ca 95008

From: Jin Xu

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:06 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Re: Golfland - We need the communities help!

Name: Jin Xu

Address: Bollinger Road San Jose CA 95129

On Mon, 10/12/15, Golfland wrote:

Subject: Golfland - We need the communities help!

To: "Jin"

Date: Monday, October 12, 2015, 12:09 PM

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Thank you,	
Jason Kenney	
3rd Generation operator of Golfland I	JSA

Unsubscribe from this list:

Our mailing address is: Golfland Entertainment Centers, Inc. 855 E. El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087 USA From:

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 10:01 PMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: El camino and Wolfe Hotel

I am writing as a resident and a small business owner in Sunnyvale. I own and opperate the groom shop that overlooks the lot that will soon be a hotel. My shop has been in the same location since 1987. Now for the first time in all those years we are considering having to relocate. The hotel will block view of the shop from Wolfe, this happens to be the only view from the street we have. We will feel like we are in an alley way, with little to no natural light available once the hotel goes up. This saddens me. We are the second oldest shop in Sunnyvale. We have been serving Sunnyvale families for so long that we consider a lot of them family.

We are also concerned with the family run business Golfland, that will also be affected by the hotel. Please consider all of us small businesses as well as the residents when deciding whether or not is is ok for the hotel to block Our natural light. Sunnyvale used to be so family friendly and now it seems to be more big business and tech friendly. You are doing a diservice to all of us longtime residents if you continue welcome all of these cold corporate business people to take over our city. They will not even be living here, to me that means they should have less say then we do in how our city looks.

Please consider these things. Thank you for your time Sanchia Hendricks Drury Dba Canine Showcase

Sent from my MetroPCS 4G LTE Android device

From: Ray Shih

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:55 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Save Sunnyvale Golfland

Do not allow the 5 story hotel to be build next to Golfland! I support Golfland and enjoy the sun and airiness at the facility.

Ray Shih

14th Ave

San Francisco, CA 94116

From: Colleen Yamada

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:39 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

To the Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

The proposed 5-story hotel next to Golfland really serves no useful purpose to the longtime Sunnyvale residents. We chose to live here many years ago when Sunnyvale was a pretty typical suburb. We did not choose to live in San Francisco or downtown San Jose because we like the suburbs. Now, much to my disappointment, Sunnyvale seems to want to join the urban ranks, with high-density, multistory mixed-use developments. I know of no residents that are in favor of making Sunnyvale a tourist mecca.

The proposed 5-story building going in next to Golfland is really unpleasant. It is a bit like putting a "park" on the shade side of a building. The open-air ambiance is gone if it is always in shade. To add insult to injury, it's not even a residence, but a hotel for transient visitors to Sunnyvale.

I am tired of Sunnyvale planning ignoring the wishes of the residents that are actually living here every day, year after year. You are pulling out the rug from under us, and changing our city against our wishes. What does a hotel do for the locals? There may be some nearby businesses that get a little more revenue, but if the owners actually lived in town, they might even be opposed to it. It would be great if the planning commission felt some responsibility and accountability to the residents of Sunnyvale, instead of only considering the commercial (non-resident) interests. It seems like there are plenty of other hotels coming up around here already. Don't leave Golfland in the dark!

Sincerely,
Colleen Yamada
Daisy Ct
Sunnyvale, CA
Resident since 1970

From: David

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:34 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Keep Golfland free from unsightly buildings

To whom it may concern,

My name is David Hoyt. I've been going to the Golfland at Wolfe and el Camino for over 30 years. I grew up going there with my parents and continue to go there today with my wife. We had our first date there 18 years ago in fact.

One of the things that makes Golfland so unique is the variety of colors and creative sights around the property.

A 5 story building right next to Golfland would take away from that amazing experience. It would also be an eyesore at that location.

I want kids today and kids of tomorrow to be able to explore and enjoy the wonders of Golfland just the way I did growing up.

Please do not allow this eyesore to detract from the beauty and wonderment that is Golfland USA by saying no to this building.

Best Regards,

David Hoyt S Bascom Ave Apt C6 Campbell, CA 95008 From: Teresa Olson

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:27 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Regarding proposed hotel close to Wolffe and El Camino

I am sorry that I was not able to attend the planning commission's meeting on this subject. I hope it is not too late to add my comments to the discussion.

When I heard of the proposal to build a five story hotel where the nursery used to be, I really couldn't believe that anyone could think this was a good idea. I think it will hurt current Sunnyvale businesses, radically alter the look of the area, and put a shadow over the future of one of the best "parks" Sunnyvale has.

Businesses will suffer. The Wild Palms, the Maple Tree Inn and the Friendship Inn will all lose customers to this new monstrosity if it is built. Golfland will lose some of its parking to hotel users and this may create problems for Golfland customers and for Golfland itself.

The current hotels are all further away from the street than the new hotel would be. To me, this will be an eyesore to have such a large building built on such a small lot. It will also take attention away from the Sunnyvale announcement sign in the area.

And then, there is the impact that it will have on Golf Land. What a treasure to have such a feature in the community! It is like having an extra park in the city, one that the city doesn't need to maintain. It is under-used as a toddler park but it has amazing potential, since it is gated and gives toddlers a chance to explore throwing and hitting golf balls in a safe environment. Their free golf for 5 and under is a genuine blessing for parents of this age range. And for parents of older children, it is a wonderful place to practice golf and have fun outing. The owners decorate for Halloween and for Christmas which make Sunnyvale festive during those seasons.

Most of the impact of such a radical change to the area will be borne by Golfland. During construction, they will lose customers. After construction, they will lose customers. And the whole place will be thrown in to shadow. If Golfland closes, it will be a true loss to all of the parents in the area, just like closing a park.

Sincerely,

Teresa Olson

From: Sent:

Monday, October 12, 2015 8:38 PM

To:

Cc: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Re: [OPNA] FW: [BIRDLANDNEIGHBORS] Golfland and the Monster Hotel planned for

the nursery property

Hi Jason,

Sorry about the late reply! I would have attended the meeting if I read this email earlier.

We are absolutely AGAINST building a 5-story hotel next to Golfland (or anywhere else in Sunnyvale).

My husband and I have lived and raised our family in Sunnyvale since 1990. We have attended numerous birthday parties in Golfland and often taken out-of-town guests to play miniature golf. Everyone enjoyed the ambiance and surrounding. We can totally visualize the negative impact of a 5-story hotel next to Golfland. We agree that Golfland is a historical landmark which should be preserved and taken care of.

Name: Vickie Pagnon

Address: Firebird Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Best regards,

Vickie Pagnon

Date: Sun. 11 Oct 2015 19:24:32 -0700

Subject: [BIRDLANDNEIGHBORS] Golfland and the Monster Hotel planned for the nursery property

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Thank you, Jason Kenney

please cc planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA

From: John Anderson

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 8:10 PMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

John Anderson

W. Knickerbocker Drive Sunnyvale, Ca. 94087

From:

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 8:09 PMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

To: Planning Commission

I have been a resident of Sunnyvale

for 40 years. I have seen all the changes. One change I hope you won't approve is putting a 5 story hotel next to Golfland. Our family has been golfing there for years and bring out of town family and friends , then eat at some of the fine restaurants that are near there.

Golfland is a historic part of Sunnyvale. The ambiance would change with a huge hotel next to it. Please please do not let this happen.

Bonnie Alexander Allen Russett Terrace Sunnyvale Ca 94087

Sent from my iPhone

From: Simone Cwynar

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 7:59 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Save Golfland

Hello,

I was born and raised a Sunnyvale resident, and am currently attending school in Hawaii. I strongly feel that developing a five story hotel next to Golfland would be a devastating blow to the local community. Erecting yet another monster building will not only put another nail in the coffin of our city's remaining charm, but as Jason pointed out, ruin the ambience of Golfland. Due to the tech boom, there are already fewer and fewer historical monuments that attest to Sunnyvale's unique past. As Sunnyvale is largely a suburban neighborhood, it simply makes no sense to destroy the few places that are left for families to enjoy. Sunnyvale has been rated one of the top cities in the nation for startups and entrepreneurship. However, it is important to remember that families are still the primary inhabitants of this community, and should not be left behind.

Thank you for your time, Simone Cwynar From: andrea fletcher

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 7:41 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: new building

My name is Andrea Fletcher and I am writing

because I agree with Golfland not to allow a hotel to go in right next door. My children have been growing up going to birthday parties there and we go as a family to enjoy a day out. There are way too many hotels going up on El Camino

and this area is becoming way overbuilt. I can speak for my family that these types of changes will run businesses like golfland out and families like mine out as well. There is very little space around us as it is. This hotel will take away the open feel of golfland and hover over taking away the natural sunlight. Please don't let the money influence your decision though I'm sure it probably will!

Andrea Fletcher

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Michael Foresee

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 7:21 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Proposed Development next to Golfland

Distinguished Members of the Planning Commission,

Having grown up in nearby Santa Clara my family has been patronizing Sunnyvale establishments such as Golfland for many years. The family-friendly and outdoor nature of this entertainment venue is one of the reasons that brings us back to Sunnyvale time and again. There are too few offerings such as this which provide an opportunity for families to have affordable fun together and truly interact with each other while taking full advantage of Sunnyvale's wonderful weather. This venue in its present condition (surrounded by lo-rise development and complete accessibility to the sun) must be maintained - if for no other reason than for the good of the greater community.

The current development submittal showing a multi-story structure next to Golfland would negatively impact the character of the <u>site. The</u> proposed height of the development is taller than buildings on the Golfland property as well as most other buildings in the immediate area. Views of the new building and the shadows cast by it would be detrimental to maintaining the atmosphere of child-like make-believe so important to those who visit the Golfland site. Additionally, the proposed development's mass, positioned so close to Golfland, would preclude any future meaningful solar installation at the Golfland site which could have reduced the area's energy usage.

I ask that you do not approve the proposed development in its current form but require the developers to redesign the buildings that are closest to the property line shared with Golfland so that solar rights can be maintained and, as equally important, so that the quality of the site that has made it a welcome family respite from the busy, tech-centric area for so long can be preserved as well.

I appreciate your time and further consideration toward the conclusion of this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Foresee, AIA. LEED BD+C Architect and long- time Santa Clara valley resident.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:		America Navarro Monday, October 12, 2015 6:55 PM PlanningCommission AP Re: Please keep golfland from the shadows
Who can Thank y America	ou,	r it to make a difference for tonight's meeting?
Sent from	m my iPhone	
On Oct	12, 2015, at 3:08 PM, P	PlanningCommission AP < planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov > wrote:
Ι	Dear America Navarro,	
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((or the Commission and there Commission, and you will no	ion meetings, individual Commission members are not authorized to represent the City fore your item has been forwarded as <i>Information Only</i> to the members of the ot receive a response from them. Your message will also be provided on the dais for the ming Commission meeting. As your message deals with City operations, it has been retheir response.
F	Please let me know if you ha	we any further questions or concerns.
7	Γhank you,	
(Cristina Pfeffer	
A	Administrative Aide	
(CDD/Planning	
(City of Sunnyvale	
<u>4</u>	408-730-7440	

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 1:33 PM, America Navarro

wrote:

Hi,

I am unable to make it to today's meeting. However, I wanted to say a few words.

My own children are finally growing into the age of golfland, where I can share my childhood experiences. It is not just the age of golfland that my kids are growing up in. They are growing up in an era where social media and technology is taking over. I, like many parents, want to keep our kids, kids. We want them to play outside instead of a video game version. Want them to know the art of mini golf and real life 3D, not television 3D. Experience the air, the sun, the community. Besides my children, I want to tell you about another population....

I used to work for a non-profit for 2 years. It was a community based day program for adults with disabilities. Of all the places I have taken my participants to in the community, this one touched my heart. It was NOT the discounted fees that was heartwarming- since this population has little income. It was the environment that was heartwarming. It was the employees that were heartwarming. In all of the 2 years, this was the first time that I ever felt that my participants were seen and heard. Not ignored. Not just tolerated. But welcomed. The staff was nice. Patient. And truly valued my participants as citizens.

Please spare this treasure, Golfland, from a building that will shadow them, keep them from going solar and the ambiance surrounding. Golfland hasn't kept my participants in the shadows, they shown light on their face and their hearts. Please don't allow a hotel to take that from them.

Thank you,
America Navarro
Chateau La Salle Drive
San Jose, Ca 95111

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Pamela

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 6:50 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Save The Sun for Golfland

Hi,

My family and I have always enjoyed Golfland because of a sunny day, you can practice your putts or simply enjoy a few hours in the sun with your loved ones. My son has had 2 birthday parties there and he's only 7. It wouldn't have been even a consideration for his party had we not had the outdoor option of healthy sunshine on parents and kids. Consider this when approving purchase by a non local for a high rise hotel. Thanks

Sent from...iPam!

From: michelle yi

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 6:47 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: new hotel development at Wolfe and El Camino

To the planning commission of Sunnyvale:

I was informed of a plan by the city for a a new hotel development that may pose a threat to the 60 year old Golfland USA in Sunnyvale. I played there as a kid, as I know many of my friends have as well. I grew up in this area and after a decade away, have returned as a resident of Sunnyvale. Great memories were created there and I love going back still with friends and family. Golfland is one of the last places for kids to play mini-golf outside in the south bay area. In our tech-centric society, this is one of the few places that friends and family can gather and enjoy outdoor activities. It would be a shame to sacrifice this place for yet another corporate large-scale development that will dominate the intersection. There are plenty of hotels to chose from in the area but there is only one Golfland in the bay area.

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen who would like to support this local, family business. Please do not let yet another hotel be built in the adjacent lot.

Kind Regards, Michelle Yi From: Arlene Brown

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 6:39 PM

To: Cc:

Subject: Re: [BIRDLANDNEIGHBORS] Golfland and the Monster Hotel planned for the nursery

property

Hi Jason,

Hope I'm not too late to add my name to your list. This is a wonderful family site - and something for all ages to enjoy. I have work friends in their 50's who come from Pacifica just to play in this fun environment and enjoy our beautiful weather.

My name is Arlene Brown - Quail Ave and I've been a resident for almost 28 years.

Good luck!

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 7:24 PM

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From: Kate Ague

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 6:19 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland USA

Dear Planning Commission Members of Sunnyvale,

This is in regards to the proposed hotel property that may be built adjacent to the Golfland USA Family Fun Center. Golfland is one of the last remnants of a bygone era that I have grown up with since living in the Bay Area since 1962. I have taken my daughter to Golfland as well as she's been growing up. The openness is something we enjoy the most as we do not have a backyard where we live. We often pretend that Golfland is our backyard. It's perfect the way it is!!

The development up and down the Peninsula on El Camino Real the past few years with towering mega buildings has totally destroyed the charm and character it once had. I understand that most development decisions are made by people who don't live in this area and/or have no intention of enjoying this amazing place where we live. It is my personal request (and I'm sure I'm not alone) that the City of Sunnyvale consider offering the property at the corner of Wolfe Road and El Camino Real to a business that would enhance the area and not detract from it.

Sincerely yours,

Kate Ague 491 Sherwood Way Menlo Park, CA 94025 From: pam lehner

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 5:58 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Cc:

Subject: Re: Hotel construction

Thank you, Cristina.

From: PlanningCommission AP <planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:22 PM

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Dear Pam Lehner,

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Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale 408-730-7440

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 2:33 PM, pam lehner wrote:

I would like to protest the proposal for a five story hotel to overshadow one of the last great outdoor venues for family fun, Golfland.

The height of the proposed hotel will greatly impact the ambiance and enjoyment of this business which has been in our community for 60 years!!

There are enough high rise buildings in the downtown area and all along El Camino, we don't need another one with such dramatic and unhealthy impact.

Thank you,

Pam Lehner

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 5:44 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

Please do not allow yet another hotel to take over suburbia. The golfland property is and has always been a great diversion for families throughout the bay area. Please dont allow this piece of history to be overshadowed in the name of progress.

Thank you,

Joe Gray and family, now in our second generation in this county.

From: raven erebus

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 5:38 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

Hi,

I am opposed to the proposed 5 story hotel that would ruin Golfland. Let's preserve a cherished LOCAL business, rather than letting out of state businesses ruin something special.

best, raven erebus resident From: Kelly Hails

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 5:29 PMTo:PlanningCommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Proposed hotel at Wolfe Road

Hello Commission Members,

I respectfully request you consider the impact on the surrounding businesses and reject the proposal to build a five story hotel at El Camino and Wolfe Road. GolfLand is just the sort of small, family-owned business that gives our city character and makes it a good place to live. This hotel would impact GolfLand unfavorably and I hope you work with GolfLand, the developer and the other small business and property owners to approve a project that will not be detrimental to any concerned.

Sunnyvale Resident,

Kelly Hails

Carson Drive, 94086

From: Abraham Sharp

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 5:17 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Concerns about proposed 5 floor hotel next to Golfland

Dear Planning Commission,

I would like to voice my concerns about the planned hotel on the old Summer Winds nursery site at El Camino and Wolfe. I live in the Ponderosa Park neighborhood with my family and we are frequent visitors to the Golfland attraction there, where we've enjoyed many beautiful mornings, and especially some great kids brirthday parties that everyone has loved. It's been suggested that the new hotel would block out nearly all the direct sunlight from Golfland and thereby remove a lot of the pleasure that we, and many other Sunnyvale residents and visitors, find in going there. Golfland is a unique, historical Sunnyvale gem, whereas 5 storey hotels (while undoubtedly needed) could go in a lot of other places (on the old West Coast motors site next to the new Marriott Courtyard / Chick fil-a for example).

Thankyou for taking the time to read my email.

Abraham Sharp

Henderson Ave, Sunnyvale

From: Connor Wales

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 5:02 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

Please do not allow a 5-story hotel building to be built at the corner of El Camino and Wolfe where Summer Winds nursery was. The shadow this will cast over Golfland will change the ambiance of the park in a very detrimental way, almost certainly affecting its business. Golfland has been a part of Sunnyvale for a long, long time and our family has always enjoyed going there. Please don't ruin it.

Regards,

Connor Wales

Caribou Ct.

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Eric Thoreson

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:57 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland Sunnyvale

To Whom it may concern:

I have been going to Golfland with my kids for decades. I also work in Sunnyvale

Please consider that a nearby 5 story hotel would just about wreck the Golfland experience

I hope you don't approve anything that tall!

Eric Thoreson Netsoft Founder

Netsoft 298 S. Sunnyvale Ave Suite 204 Sunnyvale, California 94086

Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains taken to bring it to light.

- George Washington

SDG

From: Shirley

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:30 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Multistory buildings

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Please halt the 5 story hotel by golfland in Sunnyvale and limit all multistory developments near residential areas of Sunnyvale.

Shirley Frantz

Ramona Ave

16 year resident

Shirley's phone

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Date: October 11, 2015 at 10:52:14 AM PDT

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Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:31 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

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Sunnyvale Planning Commission:

We object to the plans of building a 5 story hotel on the corner of Wolfe and El Camino shadowing over Golfland. Golfland is a treasure and should be preserved. It is one place our children and probably your children love to visit. It is a beautifully landscaped oasis. Why destroy this ambiance with a towering hotel, and also destroying the potential of solar use by Golfland. Please reconsider.

The Brooks Family Pleasanton

Joey Mariano

From: loriegirl1

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:23 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Five Story Hotel

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To whom it may concern,

Please don't allow the building of a five story hotel next to Golfland. It will ruin the view!!! Sincerely,

Lorie Rose

From: Lisa Fuson

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:19 PM
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Hello,

I lived in Sunnyvale California for 25 years. Even though I had moved away golf land was a place to take my children when home visiting with my family. Golf land has memories for me dating back to when I was in elementary school, junior high birthday parties and dates in High School. Please do not build another monster hotel in Sunnyvale. Why do you need all these monstrous buildings. Before we know if Sunnyvale and the surrounding area will be like New York or San Francisco. It is difficult enough to drive a car in that area.

Please think of another place to build a hotel.

Thanks, Lisa Rannals Fuson 2119 Five Iron Drive Houston, TX 77089

From: Veronica Shafer

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:15 PM

To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov;

Subject: Proposed development at El Camino & Wolfe

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Please consider the impact of the proposed hotel at the corner of El Camino & Wolfe. A huge hotel would be out of place from all reference points. Visually, a tall building on the corner would look out of place with the surrounding neighborhoods. When considered from the ambiance of the surrounding neighborhood, again the hotel would be out of place. The nature of the business also seem in-congruent with the nature of the surrounding neighborhood. Do no approve a structure that would have a negative impact on surrounding properties- creating a shadow for an outdoor recreation facility does not seem like a sound plan.

Please do not approve the construction of a tall hotel into this great neighborhood.

Veronica Pruitt 587 Union Avenue Campbell, CA 95008

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:12 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP Subject: FW: Golf land shut down?

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From: ADRIAN PEREZ

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:14 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Fwd: Golf land shut down?

No shut down

I been going to golf land for years it's close to my house. I take my kids which they have fun at. Closing this for hotel business? There's too many hotels already we not short in that but should look forward to what community wants especially a place where families go. There's not many places that provide golf besides having to drive many miles away to play isn't fair. I think hotels should be built by freeways next to exits to attract travelers not shut down a family even place and take away fun for children and families. My opinion

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:11 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: Strongly Disagree With 5-Story Building

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From: MT Weber-Harris

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:59 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Strongly Disagree With 5-Story Building

Hi Jason. I heard the news about the new owners of the Summerwinds Nursery planning to put up a 5-story building there. My husband and I may not be able to attend the 8:00pm meeting tonight at the Sunnyvale Council Chambers, so I wanted to voice our feelings here in an email.

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My husband and I truly support you and your family in this, and we genuinely hope that this out-of-state company will not be allowed to construct their monster hotel, which would be completely disrespectful to you and your family, and your wonderful, thriving business that has been so important to our community for 56 years. I hope the Sunnyvale Council will strongly support you and your family in this as well.

Best regards, Mary Weber-Harris & Dale Harris

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The report for that meeting (and attachments) are attached to this e-mail for review. The agenda (and this report) for the 4/13 Planning Commission will be posted on the City website by tomorrow evening (https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx). Planning Commission meetings begin at 8 p.m.

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From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:09 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: hotel plan

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-----Original Message-----

From: Sue Koblish

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:02 PM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: hotel plan

We do not support plans for a 5 story hotel at El Camino and Wolf.

Susan and Josef Koblish

Partridge Ct.

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Sent from my iPhone

From: Chris Frantz

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:09 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Shirley Frantz

Subject: Please halt the 5 story hotel by golfland

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Please halt the 5 story hotel by golfland in Sunnyvale and limit all multistory developments near residential areas of sunnyvale

Chris Frantz Ramona Ave Resident Sunnyvale, Ca

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Annette McClure

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:08 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Sunnyvale Golfland

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Dear Planning Committee,

Please stop the building. We have lived in Sunnyvale for over 8 years now and it has become "home" to us as we bought a house in northern Sunnyvale and are raising our two young children here. We have always loved the community of Sunnyvale and in the midst of the madness of Silicon Valley we have always felt that our city has done a great job of keeping it "small town feel". But that is all changing and we need to stop it.

My 7 year old daughter has noticed that every time she sees green space anymore it seems we are building on it. When I told her about the proposed hotel next to Golfland she told me "Mommy, why do they keep taking away all the beautiful land and things to do here". Talk about breaking my heart.

I do understand we want to drive our economy but there has to be a point when we need to weigh the damage it is doing to our environment and community. Golfland provides a form of entertainment SO needed in our world today. One that allows our kids and adults to socialize, exercise, and be outdoors. We get to make conversation there, instead of looking at our phones.

We are losing who we are as the community of Sunnyvale in the process of trying to keep up with the rest of of Silicon Valley and it is causing many people that really care to move away, become more disconnected and crime to go up.

I wish I could be there tonite to voice my opinion against the hotel being built. I am not able to so instead I am writing this email in hopes that the residents of Sunnyvale will be heard before it is too late and our city becomes gobbled up in cement.

In Health
Annette McClure

From: Eric Coulson

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 4:07 PMTo:PlanningCommission@sunnyvale.ca.govSubject:Here's a No for hotel next to golfland

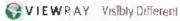
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Attn: Planning Commission

Sunnyvale is growing in leaps and bounds and I am concerned that the larger buildings are not being planned properly. Townhouses, etc. seem to be the most profitable and every nook and cranny is not being converted without regard to schools, traffic, and infr. I am not against this in general, because I'd rather our towns got more dense than use open spaces – but you need the infrastructure. Also very tall buildings are being put up right next to the street making "Canyonlands" – no sun – I feel uncomfortable walking next to them. You should have a decent buffer from the street. Our traffic is getting too dense, with the economic boom we are at our limits. It seems that with all the companies paying property tax at least Santa Clara county should be flush with money. Putting a 5 story hotel on that intersection will just create more traffic, and add to the problem. Plus destroy Golfland that is a historic Sunnyvale location – all my kids when there for parties.

Regards,

Eric Coulson Senior Software Engineer



815 E Middlefield Rd, Mountain View, CA 94043



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From: Angelica Becerra

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 4:02 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

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To Whom It May Concern -

My family has frequented Golfland Sunnyvale for many years. Aside from our family outings, my husband and son often go for a night of fun, competitive mini golf. I am writing in opposition to a 5 story hotel being built next to the location which would take away from the serene atmosphere it currently has. If this happens it would take so much away from the experience.

Sincerely, Angelica Becerra

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:57 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: Re: Re: 5 story hotel Shading Golfland

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From: Cynthia Viveiros

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:57 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Save Sunnyvale's Golfland

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Please do not grant the variances that the developers are requesting for a 5-storey building next to Golfland.

I'm third-generation Sunnyvale and remember playing in the orchard at my grandparents' farmhouse on Old SF Rd. near Lawrence. That land has long-ago given way to apartments. I remember when the Valley of Heart's Delight turned into Silicon Valley. I understand that change is necessary. (I don't understand why, after 30 years, the downtown is still incomplete. Oh yeah, Amy Chan...)

Progress is a good thing, but **poor choices made too quickly (and sometimes for the wrong reasons) can lead to consequences which cannot be undone**. The only thing left that truly reflects what was once a warm, familial COMMUNITY of individuals is **Golfland** and the **Heritage Orchard**. Once those two landmarks are decimated, the HEART of SUNNYVALE will finally die.

There will still be commerce and activities, but the ability to participate in simple, joy-filled, "heart delight" community will be gone forever. Please, please do not let this happen. Please preserve these small remnants of our heritage for us -- and for future generations to enjoy.

Thank you, Cynthia Viveiros

Wilson Ave Sunnyvale 94086

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:53 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: Old Summer Winds property

From: HARRY FUJIMOTO

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:18 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Fw: Old Summer Winds property

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From: HARRY FUJIMOTO

To: "planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov" <planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:16 PM **Subject:** Old Summer Winds property

Dear Planning Commision- Sunnyvale:

I am not able to attend the meeting to discuss the proposed 5 story hotel on Wolfe near El Camino Real. My family enjoys golfland and we are concerned that if a big hotel is built on the old Summer Winds property that the golfland property will be shaded by a tall building. Golf needs to have sun to be an enjoyable fun outdoor activity for the family like the real golf courses. It would not be the same if it was shaded most of the day. Please consider reducing the allowed height of the proposed hotel.

Thank You, Harry Fujimoto Resident Sunnyvale.

From: Rosemary Butler

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:48 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: 5 story hotel on corner on Wolf and El Camino?

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I have lived in Sunnyvale since 1962. You can imagine that I have seen a lot of changes. I have rolled with it until now. I have just heard the news that there are plans for a 5 story hotel to go on the corner near where Golfland is. This is an iconic location and will definately take away from the last real place youth can go and enjoy themselves and not get into trouble. In addition to the fact that I understand the there will be tall buildings built just across the way on Butcher corner. I really think that not only do we have enough traffic, but we need to limit how tall buildings are being built in Sunnyvale. If it not enough that we have lost most orchards, but now we are on our way to high rise buildings. There are plenty of hotels with beds empty along that area. If they are going to build a tall building, shouldn't it be closer to someplace where it is needed, such as Apple. This just adds more traffic. Please reconsider allowing this. We are a bedroom community for good schools and neighborhoods. Let's keep it that way.

Thank you, Rosemary

From: Vicky Coleman

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:46 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: GOLF LAND

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Please add my name to the list of Sunnyvale citizens who do not feel we need another huge building put on the surrounding areas around Golfland. I recently got to take my 3rd grandson there for the first time, I've been able to enjoy this community entertainment center as a child, with my children and now with my growing family of Sunnyvale born and bred grandchildren.

Enough is enough, with all the growth in my area (S. Bayview bordered by Evelyn and Old San Francisco, I've yet to see a developer add any outdoor play areas to make up for the fact that they are taking over single family homes and building apartments and multi family units with no additional recreational space provided. When I called the planning commission about this I was told there is no requirement for outside play space to be added per sq ft of family housing. We at least need to have a place like Golfland to take the kids too.

Please reconsider the passing of more house with less play areas and too many huge apartments/hotels/townhomes that are taking over our neighborhoods. Growth at the town center is enough.

Vicky Coleman
S. Bayview Avenue
Sunnyvale

From: Darienne Hosley Stewart

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:35 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: hotel proposal at Wolfe & El Camino Real

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To whom it may concern:

I'm writing out of concern over the proposed five-story hotel at Wolfe and El Camino Real. I share Golfland's alarm at the prospect of being thrust into the shade of yet another large building. It would be a most unfortunate change for the family-friendly spot — one of few outdoor, non-park recreational sites for families in the city — and unfortunate for this busy stretch of El Camino Real.

It is, of course, a commercial corridor, but recent developments are making it ever less appealing. Taller buildings with minimal setback are boxing in traffic, blocking sunlight and views of the mountains. The looming shadow cast by the new Courtyard by Marriott is gloomy and jarring in a city that has long enjoyed open skies. Seeing the new construction crowding El Camino has me very worried that Sunnyvale is chasing growth at the expense of any sense of place or character.

I'm lucky to live in an Eichler neighborhood, and grateful the city took steps six years ago to limit two-story housing to protect our privacy and the ambience of our neighborhood. (The design guidelines also ensure our solar array will continue to be effective.) But around this bubble, it's distressing to see generic, chain-store commercialization along El Camino and downtown.

Please respect Golfland's concerns. Sunnyvale can and should welcome visitors with hotels and all the hospitality in the world, but not at the expense of the people who call Sunnyvale home.

Thank you,

Darienne Hosley Stewart
Sheraton Drive
Sunnyvale

From: Wendy Mason

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:32 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: No on Proposition Hotel!

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Wendy Mason 967 Crockett Avenue Campbell, CA 95008

From: linda garcia

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:26 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

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How many of us does it take to say the same thing. We are all fed up with the over building and the traffic. This is why you need to NOT approve a variance for the land next to Golf land. Especially for an out of state investor. This is our city also. We live her but it looks like people are so unhappy they are thinking of moving. Why Cant you just say no? What do the residence have to say or do before you hear us? I have lived her my entire life. As a child it was a charmed city to grow up in. Now its hard to tell my kids oh we used to go bowling at the bowling ally that is now a strip mall and there used to be orchards everywhere

that is now huge office building or over crowding of houses.

This must stop. It seems the commission never says no to anything. This is your chance to show that you care about the city's charm and people.

Best,

Linda Garcia

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:26 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: 5 story hotel Shading Golfland

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Dear Planning Commission,

We are against the 5 story hotel Shading Golfland which will wreck the location and experience at Golfland USA.

We have played in Golfland Tournaments as well as other times.

Sincerely, Keith Jacobson & Families 1864 Limetree Lane Mountain View, CA 94040

From: HARRY FUJIMOTO

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:17 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Old Summer Winds property

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Dear Planning Commision- Sunnyvale:

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Thank You, Harry Fujimoto Resident Sunnyvale.

From: Lorraine Jula

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:07 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Vote No on 5-story Hotel next to Golfland, please

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To the Planning Commission,

I remember Golfland from when I moved here with my family from Pennsylvania in the 60s, and I enjoy it to this day with my spouse. I was dismayed to hear that you are considering placing a large hotel next door, where the nursery once existed.

This addition will surely change - in a negative way - the atmosphere at Golfland, shading the sunny playing fields where friends enjoy time together in an old-fashioned, simple way. The looming hotel will not only occupy the open view which is now an asset to Golfland, but it will create a higher traffic flow in an already-busy area.

Please help Golfland retain the fun and family atmosphere it presently owns - we go there to relax and bask in the sun, not to be walking in the shadow of a large building and be reminded of extreme growth. It's possible to grow in ways that help our citizens, such as Golfland's plan to install solar panels and provide covered parking.

Help me want to continue to visit business in Sunnyvale and spend my \$\$.

Thank you,

Lorraine Jula

From: JP

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 3:00 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golf land

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Do not allow a 5 story hotel to interfere with this community gem. Show that you are interested in maintaining all of the unique businesses that miniature golf fans have enjoyed for decades. Vote no an yet another development forcing a multigenerational family owned business to close. Please do the right thing. They cannot exist together for multiple reasons.

Our family has been enjoying this beautiful facility since I was a kid, and still do. Thank you,

Julie Padilla

Sent from my iPhone

From: Miguel, Shelley

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:58 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Wolfe/El Camino/Proposed hotel

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I am concerned at the prospect of construction of a 5 story hotel at the corner of Wolfe and El Camino and the impact on Golfland. I grew up going to Golfland, took my children there and now take my grandchildren. Exchanging Summer Winds nursery for a tall building will significantly alter the dynamic of the area. I am unable to make tonight's meeting but hope this will get a good, long, hard look and more community feedback before moving forward.

Thank you, Shelley Miguel N. Murphy Ave Sunnyvale

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From: Janice Dabney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:55 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Please don't allow 5-story hotel by Golfland

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To the Planning Commission:

As a lifetime resident of Mountain View and a visitor to Golfland since it opened in 1959, I would like to strongly urge you <u>not</u> to negatively impact the ambiance of this special site by placing a monster hotel on the former nursery location next door.

Such an addition will not only block the light but it will become a new skyline which, unfortunately, mirrors too many skylines in our special valley.

Please vote "no" to the addition of a 5-story hotel in this location and enable Golfland to continue to serve generations to come in an unencumbered and sunny, open-air environment.

My first visits to Golfland were as a small child with my parents, and my current visits are with my spouse. I would like to continue to support this and other Sunnyvale business for years to come.

Thank you,

Janice Dabney

From: Kathleen Bylsma

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:53 PM

To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov;

Subject: Sunnyvale City Council greed to 'foreshadow' Golfland?

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City Council,

If Sunnyvale keeps building and building, there will be no sunshine for anyone and no view of the beautiful mountains from the valley that originally drew our city's forefathers. They did not want a huge city with buildings so tall you had to be inside them to see the beauty, neither do we! Move to San Francisco if you want a congested, over populated, dirty city.

There should be a law against stealing people's sunshine. Seriously. Golfland is a family owned business that has been here long before many of us. A five story building would mostly likely change the atmosphere of the business, and they would lose customers. It is morally wrong. I have lived in the bay area for 51 years and I have fond family memories of Golfland.

Thank you for your consideration, Kathleen Bylsma

From: Carol

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:47 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Do not approve variance on Hotel planned at 861 E. El Camino Real. Encourage

soundproofing of hotel.

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Dear City of Sunnyvale Planning Commission

Do not approve variances to Heil, Longinetti, and Weaver for their plans to build a hotel at 861 E. El Camino Real next to Golf Land. Golf Land is an awesome place and must have the sun shine on their business to allow for solar energy and customers. My husband and I have talked with the golf land manager and owner over the past couple years about their plans to put solar panels on their business to go green and reduce their energy bills. My understanding is without the variance the development is allowed up to 10% shading. The proposed 5 story hotel requesting variances would shade 80 to 90% of Golf Land which is unacceptable.

Also, please strongly encourage the developers to build the hotel with superior sound proof walls, windows and roof. This is to avoid complaints of hotel guests about Golf Land being too noisy. The apartments built about ten years ago on Sunnyvale Ave. and Evelyn is a great example of superior soundproofing. The apartments are next to the train tracks, yet are very quiet inside each unit.

Golf Land has been around since 1959 and provides wholesome recreation to all ages including teenagers. Please do all in your power to help this awesome business stay in our community.

Si ncerel y,

Carol Eyring, P.E. Voting Sunnyvale resident since 1999

From: pam lehner

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:34 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Hotel construction

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Hello,

I would like to protest the proposal for a five story hotel to overshadow one of the last great outdoor venues for family fun, Golfland.

The height of the proposed hotel will greatly impact the ambiance and enjoyment of this business which has been in our community for 60 years!!

There are enough high rise buildings in the downtown area and all along El Camino, we don't need another one with such dramatic and unhealthy impact.

Thank you,

Pam Lehner

From: Suzanne and Jim Hanrahan

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:36 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: 5 story hotel

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Please! Do not allow a 5 story hotel to be built on the old Summer z winds property!! Suzanne Hanrahan

Poplar Avenue

Sunnyvale, CA

Sent via the Samsung GALAXY S®4, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

Please note our new email address.

From: LeAnn

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:18 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Fw: Golfland - We need the communities help!

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I would not like to see this hotel get built next to Golfland. I went there as a kid, and still go there as an adult. I enjoy hanging out there, and a huge hotel next to it would definitely take away from the scene and ambiance that we get when we spend time at Golfland. Thank you.

LeAnn Wood 2896 Addison Place Santa Clara, CA 95051

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From: Golfland To: leann

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:09 PM

Subject: Golfland - We need the communities help!

Dear Friends and Community,

Families have been enjoying clean safe outdoor fun in the sun at Golfland for almost 60 years. Golfland USA was built in 1959 by Grandpa and Grandma Kenney when most of Sunnyvale was an orchard. It is one of the last historic Sunnyvale icons. It probably stopped making economic sense to keep the property a family entertainment center long ago, but the family has chosen to keep it in the community. Grandma Kenney still lives in her original Sunnyvale home, and now 4 generations of the family have grown up in Sunnyvale, graduated from Sunnyvale schools, and have purchased their own homes and raised their own children here.

Something that makes Golfland unique and fun is the Disney like ambiance when playing outdoors. Grandpa Kenney's slogan was Clean, Green, Safe, and Lean. The sun, grass, trees, and shrubs are an oasis in a bustling Silicon Valley community. People come to Sunnyvale, to this competitive part of the El Camino, to play and then go find a nearby restaurant to eat or shop then go play at Golfland. Families and the Sunnyvale Community want and need an outdoor active option to host their children's birthday parties, socialize with co-workers, family, and friends. Most of us get enough indoor anti-social activity in our lives.

Golfland needs your help. The Southern neighboring property where historically there has been a nursery, recently Summer Winds Nursery, was purchased by a large out of state company. It is proposed to construct a 5 story hotel. This hotel will shade Golfland for most of the year. The shading will ruin the ambiance that makes Golfland what it is. Instead of an open view like we now enjoy the view will be of another Monster building. The 5 story hotel will tower over the adjacent buildings and become the new visual backdrop at the corner of Wolfe and El Camino. The shading also takes away Golfland's solar potential to put solar panels on the building and on covered parking. As more and more Sunnyvale residents try to be green and do our part.

We ask that you please attend the Planning Commission Hearing on October 12, 2015 at 8:00pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA and voice your opinion against a 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland and become the new panorama. If you don't have time to attend the meeting please send an email to planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov and cc me at with your name and address so it can be presented at the meeting and future meetings.

Please forward this email to friends, family, and community who have enjoyed Golfland and want to see it stick around.

Thank you, Jason Kenney 3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA

Unsubscribe from this list:

Our mailing address is: Golfland Entertainment Centers, Inc. 855 E. El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087 USA

From: Bing Shao

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:17 PM

To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov;

Subject: against a 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland

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Name: Bing Shao

Address: Lantana Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94086

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Best regards, Bing Shao, Ph.D.

From: Trish Peach

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:15 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Why do we need a 5 story ugly hotel on El Camino?

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To the planning commission

I have been a patron of Golf Land with my kids for a while now and we love coming on over when we can and enjoy a round of golf all in a safe, fun environment for all of us to enjoy.

Why oh why do we need another development of a hotel on El Camino - especially a large 5 story hotel? Can you guys think of an alternative like a boutique hotel that offers interesting appeal and can work with Golf Land as a place to relax the corporate traveller when they come to stay in the Valley. What about a restaurant that can cater with local produce and foods that only the Bay Area can offer inside the hotel - that would be amazing! Think out of the corporate box think of the many options - who needs another ugly hotel building lost in the strip malls?

Please do think about selling the land to boring corporates who only think of bottom line and do not think of the community that we live in. Sunnyvale has a lot to offer and I think a family run business like Golf Land should be available for future generations to enjoy! I am from Australia but have I lived here for 9 years and I really love this areathere are many families who live here and really are annoyed with the rising rental / housing prices and cost of living. Keep the communities here alive - do you really want a homogenous, corporate culture in the Valley or do you want to keep the spirit of community alive in such a beautiful place?

Weigh out your options - think about the future? Long term generations of families who can afford to live here or just more transients moving in and out as the price of living is way too high. And yes, I understand that big business keeps the wheels turning but why can't you have the best of both worlds?

Please reconsider this proposal and think about the future of the community.

Kind regards Trish Peach (a resident in Mountain View)

From: Karen Haberstock

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 2:14 PMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.govSubject:Proposed 5 story building on El Camino

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Dear Sirs:

It has come to my attention that a planning meeting will be held, tonight, regarding a proposed 5 story building on El Camino and Wolff. I am concerned that El Camino is quickly becoming a "canyon" road, with tall buildings on either side (the new Courtyard Hotel and the new tall buildings being erected east of Rt 85).

I would like to express my objection to issuance of new building permits to any additional buildings, greater than 2 levels, without extensive review on the effect to neighbors and city aesthetic.

Thank you, Karen Haberstock N Mary Ave Sunnyvale, CA

From: ADRIAN PEREZ

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:12 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golf land shut down?

I been going to golf land for years it's close to my house. I take my kids which they have fun at. Closing this for hotel business? There's too many hotels already we not short in that but should look forward to what community wants especially a place where families go. There's not many places that provide golf besides having to drive many miles away to play isn't fair. I think hotels should be built by freeways next to exits to attract travelers not shut down a family even place and take away fun for children and families. My opinion

From: Kathy

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:10 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: strongly against 5 story hotel

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Kathy Parker 1585 English Drive San Jose, CA 95129

I was born and raised in the Campbell area, and my family goes back 4 generations who frequently enjoys Golfland in Sunnyvale (my parents, siblings and I, my children, and now my grandkids). It is really sad to see the feeling of "what was" diminished by high rises in many parts of our communities. The view of a high rise would not only take away, but would RUIN the "old-fashioned," family fun feel that Golfland provides in the Sunnyvale Community for local and surrounding communities to enjoy.

From: Betty Gurrola-González

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:09 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland in Sunnyvale

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We love this place! It's a great outdoor entertainment for the whole family.

Betty Gurrola

Sunnyvale resident since the year 2000

From: Michael Irany

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:08 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

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Dear Planning Commission

Is a massive 5 story hotel really needed in that particular spot, towering over all other buildings and structures around it? I worked at that Golfland years ago and all the customers, as well as myself, enjoyed the bright, open, safe feeling there. If you allow a towering 5 story monstrosity to be build there it will ruin the friendly, fun and festive ambiance that Golfland is known for. Also, in this day and age with our water shortage situation does it make sense to build a hotel that will consumed thousands of gallons of water to build and thousands / millions more after? Also, how will this impact traffic congestion at an already busy intersection and will there be enough parking? Will they just pave over the whole area and not allow any rain water down to our aqua filters.

The reasons to put this on hold are endless. Please use some common sense and morality in this decision and not just look at it at potential tax revenue. Please find some common ground were all parties can be in agreeance and I really feel that all building permits should be scrutinized more carefully with this water shortage and global warming that is going on.

Thanks you

Michael Irany Purchasing Manager Calmax Technology Inc. 3491 Lafayette Street Santa Clara, CA. 95054

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:02 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Hotel next to Golfland

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Dear Planning Commission,

My friend alerted me to the fact that they would like to scrape down the Summerwinds Nursery on El Camino in Sunnyvale in order to put up a big 5 story hotel. I think this would absolutely be a mistake, since Golfland will feel squeezed - it will definitely lose a lot of the charm of standing outside with your kids and enjoying (one of the few outdoor activities that you can do with kids these days)!

We have gone there for years, and had birthday parties there. I still take my autistic kid there every so often to get him outside and off the computer. It's an activity that he's willingly willing to do (if you know an ASD kid, you'll know what I mean. They're pretty rigid thinkers).

I really think it will literally shade and crowd the mini-golf park. Please don't let this happen. There is so little suburban charm left in Silicon Valley - please don't take this, too, just for profit!

Best, Carol Langston 1810 Van Buren Circle Mountain View, CA 94040

Carol Langston

From: Nancy Roberts

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:02 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Save Golfland USA

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Dear Sunnyvale Planning Commission:

I grew up with Golfland USA and my kids are now growing up with Golfland USA as well. Golfland USA is one of the very few original businesses left in this area. It's a shame all the mom and pop business have been and are being extinguished by big corporations.

A 5 story building next to Golfland USA would substantially compromise an already economically at-risk business. If you allow this, you are essentially sacrificing one of the last multi-generational family owned business in this area.

I vigorously implore you to deny the building of this 5 story hotel.

Regards,

Nancy Roberts



From: Robert & Arlene Aguiar

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 2:02 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: High rise next to Golfland

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Planning Commission,

PLEASE STOP ALL THE HIGH RISE MADNESS IN SILICON VALLEY AND ESPECIALLY SUNNYVALE.

The valley is no longer "The Valley of Hearts Delight" and California is no longer the "Golden State" but the "Heavy Traffic" and "Greedy State"!

Please reconsider the high rise hotel for the former Summerwinds Nursery site.

Golfland is a great "family" activity and should not be "overshadowed" by a high rise hotel.

Blessings,

The Aguiar Family

From: Lisa Bourgeault

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:51 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: 5-story hotel at Wolfe and El Camino

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Dear Planning Commission members,

I am writing to express my concern about the proposed hotel building which may be built on the site of the old Summerwinds Nursery. I hope that you will make sure that whatever ends up on that lot will not ruin the ambience and usefulness of the neighboring business, Golfland. As a young married couple living in Sunnyvale in the '90s, my husband and I loved to play the occasional game of miniature golf there at Golfland. Although we subsequently moved to Los Altos to raise our family, Golfland remained a favorite place to go--I remember celebrating the last day of Kindergarten there with my daughter and her friends, bringing my toddler son there and returning many, many times to satisfy his love of miniature golf and the exciting arcade, and even bringing my daughter's Brownie Girl Scout Troop there for a big celebration. Many of my kids' friends have held birthday parties there or simply invited my two kids to join them for some summer fun. It always seemed that whatever time of day or part of the year, we shared the course with families, teenagers, and groups of co-workers.

In short, Golfland is a community resource for Sunnyvale and surrounding towns. In this day when parents want to encourage their kids to get up and move, it would be a shame to lose this unique part of Sunnyvale's history. But I fear that this is exactly what may happen if a tall hotel is permitted next door. The building would likely cast Golfland into the shade, so that at many times of year it would be too gloomy and unpleasant to play there. Further, Golfland would not only be harder to find, but it also would likely suffer by being adjacent to an overly huge building rather than the lovely nursery that has been there for years.

While we can't stop progress, and the sale of the nursery is already a fait accompli, there are ways to mitigate the problems potentially caused by a new building. First, the plan could be required to address the issue of sunshine for the golf course, perhaps with a stepped design or open areas in the new building so that it doesn't shade the entire course. Second, the hotel could be required to make sure that the side of the building facing Golfland has plants, murals, or other features to present a pleasant view to Golfland visitors. Third, the hotel could be required to provide funding for some new signage for Golfland so that it can continue to market itself to local residents. And fourth, the hotel could be required to ensure adequate parking so that the Golfland parking lot doesn't inadvertently become overflow parking.

When we lived in Sunnyvale, it had a model city government that made smart and creative decisions that made the community a wonderful place to live. I hope you will continue that tradition by thinking as far outside the box as necessary to ensure that this new Sunnyvale business does not destroy an old and beloved one.

Sincerely, Lisa Bourgeault

From: Karen Wales

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:46 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

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Please do not allow a 5-story hotel building to be built at the corner of El Camino and Wolfe where Summer Winds nursery was. The shadow this will cast over Golfland will change the ambiance of the park in a very detrimental way, almost certainly affecting its business. Golfland has been a part of Sunnyvale for a long, long time and our family has always enjoyed going there. Please don't ruin it.

Regards,

Karen Wales

Caribou Ct.

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Jen S

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 1:45 PMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.govSubject:What is happening to this city of ours?

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I was just made aware that there is a proposal to build a five story hotel that will overshadow a family friendly staple of this city, Golfland. I was born and raised in San Jose. I moved to Sunnyvale over 16 years ago to escape the crowding there. What I enjoyed most about Sunnyvale was it's quiet, friendly community with one of a kind shops, restaurants and entertainment. My family and I have made a home here in Sunnyvale and my son knows no other place as home.

The Sunnyvale of today is not something I recognize at all. While I understand that development is good for putting money in the pockets of the city, it is terrible for the community of people who cherish this city. Companies like Linked In and Apple, with there thousands of employees, have created so much congestion that it has become overwhelmingly frustrating to drive anywhere now. What used to take five minutes now takes fifteen to thirty minutes. I see all of the new development as more over-crowding, which is causing rents to become out of control and is pushing out the families that have made their home here for year. It's really quite sad.

It would be a shame to allow the experience of a historic city icon, like Golfland, to be overshadowed by the greed of development. Please save what little is left of this beloved city and deny the proposal to build a 5 story hotel next to Golfland.

Sincerely, Jenifer Sluga Sunnyvale Resident

From: America Navarro

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:34 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Please keep golfland from the shadows

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Hi,

I am unable to make it to today's meeting. However, I wanted to say a few words.

My own children are finally growing into the age of golfland, where I can share my childhood experiences. It is not just the age of golfland that my kids are growing up in. They are growing up in an era where social media and technology is taking over. I, like many parents, want to keep our kids, kids. We want them to play outside instead of a video game version. Want them to know the art of mini golf and real life 3D, not television 3D. Experience the air, the sun, the community. Besides my children, I want to tell you about another population....

I used to work for a non-profit for 2 years. It was a community based day program for adults with disabilities. Of all the places I have taken my participants to in the community, this one touched my heart. It was NOT the discounted fees that was heartwarming- since this population has little income. It was the environment that was heartwarming. It was the employees that were heartwarming. In all of the 2 years, this was the first time that I ever felt that my participants were seen and heard. Not ignored. Not just tolerated. But welcomed. The staff was nice. Patient. And truly valued my participants as citizens.

Please spare this treasure, Golfland, from a building that will shadow them, keep them from going solar and the ambiance surrounding. Golfland hasn't kept my participants in the shadows, they shown light on their face and their hearts. Please don't allow a hotel to take that from them.

Thank you, America Navarro 480 Chateau La Salle Drive San Jose, Ca 95111

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From: Carolyn Nelson

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:33 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: 5 story hotel by Golfland

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Planning Commission,

Please deny the permit for a 5 story building next to Golfland in Sunnyvale!! It would be totally out of place at that location, and be detrimental to the existing miniature golf course. Golfland is an icon in Sunnyvale, and a wonderful place to have fun outdoors in our city. Please do not destroy the ambience of that open space with a 5 story building shading it.

Thank you, Carolyn Nelson Kirk Ave Sunnyvale

From: Mandy Blake

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:32 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: save Golfland!

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Hello Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask that you consider the important historic nature of Golfland in a town that has few remaining ties to its history, and take swift action to protect it.

I spent many happy days at Golfland in my youth. I had one of my first (and worst!) dates there (he played video games the entire time and didn't say a word to me - it's a story I tell often and still laugh about). More recently, I take my nephews there to play; mini-golf is a frequently requested activity. Golfland been a long-time fixture and I can't imagine Sunnyvale without it.

So much about the old Sunnyvale is gone. The apricot and cherry orchards that I used to play in as a child - gone. The Mariani factory - gone. The original downtown area - redeveloped. This is all in the name of progress, and I have no issue with that. But progress must be balanced with an appreciation of history, or history will be lost.

You may not be aware of this, but Sunnyvale is listed in some regional planning books as a prime illustration of exactly what NOT to do if you want to build a community-friendly city. Having grown up here, I was dismayed and embarassed when I first ran across this. But I can certainly see why: Sunnyvale is a town that has consistently replaced it's quaint, time-worn gems with shiny new objects. This is a sad and irretrievable loss.

It makes no sense to hand development decisions to out-of-state companies who have no interest in the local community. Please protect Golfland's sunny playing fields as one of the last remaining pieces of old Sunnyvale.

Thank you. mandy

Amanda Blake

From: Kristine Dworkin

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:32 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: We say NO! to placing a 5-story building near Golfland!

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Dear Planning Commission,

I have received word that you are planning to put a 5-story hotel next to iconic Sunnyvale landmark Golfland. Do you understand what that would do to this business? It would cast shade over it literally and make it impossible for them to put in solar panels and participate in green initiatives that all of our responsible citizenry are embracing. Why would you want to do that to an established, beloved, and longstanding family run business? We need businesses like this one and instead we seem to be steamrolling over them in the name of revenue from hotel room taxes (at least in this instance)! Please find another way! I urge you to come up with a plan that won't put Golfland at risk. Please prove that we haven't gone completely money hungry in this valley at the expense of small business and established middle class citizens.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Kristine Dworkin 923 Cuesta Drive Mountain View, CA 94040

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:22 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

To: Cc:

Subject: proposed hampton inn

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dear planning commission

I wish to log my protest against the Hampton inn as proposed.

I have written before, perhaps it got lost because it was in a communication for butcher's corner even though I requested that it be logged in the communication re Hampton inn as well. just learned that the Hampton inn as proposed will shade the mini-golfland. please please please don't let that happen. I've hosted birthday parties there, our family has gone there for 3 generations. if shaded, the ambience will be destroyed for the course. we really don't want that to happen. please preserve one of the last wholesome good things in Sunnyvale. to repeat my comment for the proposed Hampton inn: on top of the horrific traffic to be created, do we sunnyvalians want to be known to live in the ugliest city with such a building imposing on its neighbors? it's right in the hub of a traffic nightmare. please make it much smaller, shorter, airier, so it can peacefully coexist with its established short-structured neighborhood. please don't change it for the worse. look to its neighbor the corporate inn for a good example - it can be done with a lot of compassion and consideration.

please please! thank you for listening!

rose-marie twu Erica dr

sunnyvale

From: Connie Hernandez

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:25 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: GOLFLAND

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To whom it may concern:

I hope this reaches you in time, I was devastated to read the email about Golfland. I have been a resident of Sunnyvale and Santa Clara all my life. For me Golfland has the best memories of my Ex Husband that has passed away in Ballad, Iraq in 2004. He was a soldier in the Army and died in combat. He loved to get away and enjoy the sun and the kids and of course, the games! He loved to take our older son Patrick Jr to Golfland (who is now currently a Marine in Kuwait on patrol as we speak). That was their favorite place to go as my son was growing up.

Im sad about the building not that i am in any way against sunnyvale making more money and a better place for people to visit and possibly to stay but for the fact Gofland wont be the same to some people. With this kind of structure next to it there will be no open view. It can drive away customers and that is the scary part for me , what happens if noone comes to our beautiful golfland and then it looses money? I would like it to stay the same I wish i could go to this meeting but am not able to because of work. I hope we can come to a conclusion about Golfland remaining the same , Im sure it has alot of precious memories for many people.. I know it does for my son and I .

Connie Hernandez 1245 Manchester DR # 3 Santa Clara, CA 95050

From: M Che

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:22 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Reject the 5-story hotel adjacent to Golfland Sunnyvale

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Dear Planning Commission:

I am very concerned about the proposed 5-story hotel being discussed before the Planning Commission on the property adjacent to the Golfland in Sunnyvale. This is too big a building and should be rejected by the commission.

Golfland is a unique and fun outdoor experience that needs to be protected and supported as much as possible. Anything that hurts this unique family business hurts the community! In today's rush, rush, rush world, the miniature golf and other activities at Golfland are such a pleasure and they truly are a disappearing breed of recreation! Kids and families come from all over the Bay Area. My family has enjoyed road trips to both the Milpitas and to the Sunnyvale Golflands. I think it would be terrible to put a 5-story building on the adjacent property in Sunnyvale. Something needs to be done to resolve the concerns at Golfland – too big a building size, too tall a hotel, blocking sunshine, cutting off sightline view and overall negative change to character of the property.

There are dozens if not hundreds of hotels in Sunnyvale and the surrounding areas, but there is only one Golfland in your city! I hope the Planning Commission will take the necessary steps to protect Golfland, a unique asset to Sunnyvale, and listen to Golfland customers, the families and children who love mini-golf in the sunshine!

Sincerely,

Mitch Che 10 Aloyse Court Walnut Creek, CA 94596



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From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:20 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: in support

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From: LeeAnn Constant

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:48 PM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: in support

You can add my name in support of a petition to maintain the environment of the Sunnyvale Golfland.

LeeAnn Constant

11097 Linda Vista Drive Cupertino, CA 95014

Our family is second generation of Golfland visitors.

LeeAnn Constant

Life is a journey. Travel happily.

From: Hanson Jiang

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:19 PM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: Re: Resident's Opinion: Golfland USA and proposed neighboring development

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Thank you Cristina!

-Hanson

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 12:22 PM, PlanningCommission AP <<u>planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u>> wrote:

Dear Hanson Jiang,

Thank you for your email to the Planning Commission.

Outside of official Commission meetings, individual Commission members are not authorized to represent the City or the Commission and therefore your item has been forwarded as *Information Only* to the members of the Commission, and you will not receive a response from them. Your message will also be provided on the dais for the Commission at tonight's Planning Commission meeting. As your message deals with City operations, it has been sent to key staff members for their response.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale 408-730-7440

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 12:19 PM, Hanson Jiang Wrote: Hello Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I received Jason Kenney's notice of a potential 5-story hotel project being built next to Golfland USA at 855 E. El Camino Real. I appreciate the family-run Golfland business and their contribution to Sunnyvale as a safe, fun place for families and groups. I agree a 5-story hotel could harm the business by severely limiting sun exposure and disrupting the ambiance of Golfland's property. I myself am a 7-year resident of Sunnyvale who is in the process of a house remodel and I intend to raise my family here; I have taken care to listen to my own neighbors and take their interests into consideration in the design and execution of my remodel so far. I request that you keep these sentiments in mind for the proposed project neighboring Golfland USA.

Ideally, the owner of the former Summer Winds Nursery property will be able to find a compromise that will benefit their interests as well as those of their neighbor Golfland and the larger Sunnyvale community.

Thank you, Hanson Jiang Lakewood Dr Sunnyvale CA 94089

From: Ellen Chuang

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:15 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: I oppose plans for a 5 story hotel next to Golfland

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Hi,

I'm a Sunnyvale resident and I'd like my name to be included in the list of those who oppose the plans to build a 5 story hotel next to Golfland on El Camino.

Yu Shin Chuang E Olive Ave Sunnyvale, CA

Thank you, Yu Shin Chuang

From: Natalie Talbott

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:07 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Sunnyvale Golfland

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To whom it may concern:

I am a huge fan of Golfland. I have gone there several times with my friends when we want to do something fun outdoors. I think that building a 5 story hotel right next to it would affect the ambiance of the place and would take away the openness of it. If a tall building becomes the main surroundings of Golfland, then I think that would have an effect on their business and customers.

Please **don't** build a hotel there and consider putting it somewhere else.

Thank you,

Natalie Talbott

From: Charlene Jung

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:01 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Doesn't make sense to put a large hotel next to Golfland

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Hello,

It doesn't make sense to put a large hotel next to Golfland. Let's face it, Golfland is probably not a high profitable location but it's important to keep fun places like this around to attract people to the city. So many mini golf places have shut down because they haven't been able to afford it and I am so glad that they have managed to stay around. Let's not create obstacles for a family run business by blocking the sun that a mini golf place would require. At most the hotel should only be allowed to build 1 to 2 floors and even if that's the case, they need to make sure it doesn't shade the golf course at all times of the day. I think it was a poor decision to approve the building of this hotel.

Charlene Jung Sunnyvale and Santa Clara property owner

From: Charlin Yamamoto

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 1:01 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Summerwinds Nursery Site Concerns for 5 Story Building

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To Whom It May Concern,

I write to voice my opposition the building of a 5 story structure adjacent to the Sunnyvale Golfland site. I live in the Birdland and am a mother of 2 and we have frequented Golfland at least 2-3x per month for the past 3 years. I can honestly say before I had kids, the last time I visited Golfland was over 20 years ago so didn't think much of it, but seeing it again through my son's eyes makes me so appreciative of this local treasure so close to home. Golfland is my 4.5 year old son's absolute favorite local spot and a big part of that is because it truly is a little escape into fantasy land. We even used it as his reward for potty training (great motivation!) and we don't even go into the arcade so it's all about the golfing for him! Putting a towering building right next door would certainly remove the ambiance and feeling of being transported away from the suburbs for a few hours and the next closest place we can truly get that special feeling outdoors is way down in Gilroy Gardens which just isn't practical for a busy family. Please do not allow the building of the 5 story apartment take away from the magic that is Golfland. We have visited the Milpitas Golfland which sits right next to a freeway (I-680) and it just isn't the same. You never feel removed from the city because of that constant urban visual reminder. Please protect our history and keep the magic of Golfland alive and the sun shining on it.

Photo attached to show you my son's excitement everytime we go. It's truly priceless and hard to put into words so hopefully a picture will help.

Thank you for your time, V. Charlin Yamamoto Lorne Way Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Alex Bennett

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:59 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland -- opposition to hotel

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Dear Planning Commission,

Please prevent a hotel being built that is detrimental to the family and social experience of Golfland.

The people who live in Sunnyvale, the people who work in Sunnyvale, and visitors to Sunnyvale needs this unique and valuable social and recreational resource.

A hotel can be built in many other places, and many other things can be built next to Golfland. Sunnyvale has so many neutral-revenue alternatives.

I've taken my kids here countless times over the years. They have benefited from the healthy recreational experience, as so many children do today. Now that they have grown up, do you want them to drive past along El Camino, saddened to see the further dehumanization of our community? Where will they take their kids?

The amazing thing about Golfland is the social diversity. My kids and I see people of so many different ethnicities and social backgrounds -- and they are all laughing, smiling, having fun, and, when appropriate, acknowledging other fellow players, with friendliness and politeness.

How many places in or around Sunnyvale can you go, and have this level of positive interaction and observation that makes you realize that everyone here just wants to have fun, that just like everyone else, they enjoy the company of their family and friends, the value of an outdoor experience that builds health, character and aesthetic appreciation? Golfland is a huge asset to Sunnyvale in the fight against social alienation.

My family lives in Mtn View. Driving the full length of El Camino through Sunnyvale, we stop for a meal or at retail location because it's on our way. Every time we drive down El Camino, our familiarity and bond with all the businesses along El Camino grows. When new businesses open, we see the balloons celebrating their grand openings. Without the draw of Golfland, there is very little to draw us outside of Mtn View for retail purposes.

Crippling the appeal of Golfland would be such a huge blow to so many important Sunnyvale assets. Don't let it happen.

Thank you,

Alex Bennett 900 Duke Way Mountain View, CA 94040



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From: Jeff Wellman

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:45 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Proposed 5 story building next to Community Golfland.

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To Whom it may concern,

It has been brought to my attention that it is being proposed that a 5 story hotel be built adjacent to the Golfland at 855 East El Camino Real that myself and my family enjoy on the occasion that we are able to get outdoors together as a family.

A large part of the enjoyment that comes from our visit to this Golfland is the open sky and warmth of the sun while hitting the golf ball around the courses. To block out the sun and sky will remove this aspect of the draw to come to this location for our outdoor activity which we greatly enjoy.

Please consider other options for the space that this 5 story building is being planned to be built on that would not so greatly change the atmosphere of the experience that we have come to know and love.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jeff Wellman

725 Drake Street San Jose, Ca 95125

From: Bob

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:41 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Golfland

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PLEASE SAVE THIS WONDERFUL LANDMARK'S AMBIANCE and do not allow the construction for a multi-floor building next to Golfland!

I am 54-years old and have been going to golfland since I was a young child. Now it is a favorite spot for my 9-year old son and I to spend family time together. I know my son will be terribly upset if the development is allowed and will want to know why someone did not stop it.

The owners are already making a huge financial scrafice to keep this landmark open rather than develop it.

I hope the Planning Commission will take the time to visit Golfland and see all the families enjoying gatherings and birthday parties in the sunny outdoors!

Sincerely

Robert K. Merrill Santa Clara County Resident for 54-years!

From: Davide Bergamasco

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:41 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Please Don't Harm Golfland

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To whom it might concern:

My name is Davide Bergamasco and I've been a Sunnyvale resident for the last 13 years. Over this period of time I have played at Golfland with my kids many many times. I'm writing this note to voice my concern about the 5 story hotel which is being proposed to be build on the lot formerly occupied by the Summerwinds nursery.

I understand that the shadow projected by this building on the adjacent Golfland property will most likely harm their business by making playing there a less enjoyable experience. It will also undercut their plans to go solar (by the way, in 2008 I was planning on adding one story to my home and the Planning Commission didn't approve of my plan because it would have interfered with my neighbor's roof solar exposure. Shouldn't the same reasoning be applied in this situation?)

Respectfully,

Davide Bergamasco

From: Michael Kelso

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:35 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: proposal

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Dear Planning Commission,

I was born and raised on Peninsula and I am now 61 years old. I have, as well as my children and their children, always have tried to visit and support local businesses ..these especially include unique forms of family entertainment. This, sadly to say, is becoming more and more impossible to do. There has been many closings of pee wee golf venues, bowling alleys, small screen movie theaters etc. I am well aware of progress and capitalism but, there has to be some balance..even if ever so small..to keep a little bit of a slowed down pace where family, values, safety, and enriched life is considered over the all mighty dollar. It is by the graciousness of the owners of Golfland that these values have continued to hold steadfast! Do not defeat their, and our efforts, to continue to hold some value to family. It would not do justice to any of us to approve the building of a 5 story building that would all but end the desire& character of a local treasure as is Golfland!

Thank You, Mike Kelso 2231 Carmelita Dr. San Carlos, Ca 94070

From: Daniel Goldsmith

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:34 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Hotel next to Golfland

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Dear Planning Commission,

While I am unable to attend the meeting tonight I wanted you to know how I felt about the proposed 5 story hotel on the site adjacent to Golfland near Wolfe Rd. and El Camino Real. I understand Sunnyvale wants to increase business and their tax base, however at times the issue is more, much more than money. My understanding is that the hotel will be adjacent to the Golfland property, which would really change its ambience and enjoyment of being outside in the sunshine and fresh air. This is a unique Sunnyvale institution and there is no substitute for enjoyment this place has brought to me and many other residents and visitors from all over the Bay Area.

Thanks for listening, Daniel Goldsmith Sunnyvale, CA

From: Shyam Sunkara

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:33 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Regarding the 5 story Hotel

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Hello Sir,

I'm against the 5 Story Hotel that will shade Golfland.

SHYAM SUNKARA

Aster Ave, Sunnyvale, CA, 94086.

Regards,

Shyam Sunkara.

From: Kenny Mendes

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:30 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Input

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Hello,

Long time sunnyvale resident here (since 1993). Have been attending golf land for a long time and would hate to see the feel of it change with a giant hotel put next door. Hope this does not happen.

Kenneth Mendes

Polk Ave & Amador Ave.

From: Lisa Glicksman

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:28 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Preserve Golfland

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To the Planning Commission:

As a supporter of Golfland (and miniature golf in general), I ask that the 5 story hotel being planned adjacent to Golfland be scaled back- way back- to protect the sunny aspect of this historic golf course. Please protect family fun and character, instead of foisting a generic, light- stealing hotel on the community.

Thank you!

Lisa Glicksman

From: Lynda.Robeson

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:27 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golf land

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I oppose the new hotel planned next to Golf Land in Sunnyvale.

Lynda Robeson 4895 McCoy Ave San Jose, Can 95130

Sent from my Galaxy S®III

From: David Widmayer

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:23 PM

To: Golfland

Cc: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: RE: Golfland - We need the communities help!

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RE: Golfland - We need the communities help!

Dear beloved Golfland,

Sorry, but I'll be in Oroville from Livermore tonite. Otherwise I would show !!!

My parents bought their west San Jose home in 1958 by Saratoga/Cupertino (Prospect Rd & South Blaney Avenue), where I was raised.

Going to Golfland (Wolfe & El Camino Real) was a G-R-E-A-T family activity for family fun.

I still remember Spivey's at the corner for Cryin'-Out-Loud !!!

You can use this email and you have my permission to promote your cause !!! Sincerely, David Widmayer (age 59) 854 Pine St Livermore CA 94551-1820

> Subject: Golfland - We need the communities help!

> Date: Mon, 12 Oct 2015 19:09:06 +0000

- > Dear Friends and Community,
- > Families have been enjoying clean safe outdoor fun in the sun at Golfland for almost 60 years. Golfland USA was built in 1959 by Grandpa and Grandma Kenney when most of Sunnyvale was an orchard. It is one of the last historic Sunnyvale icons. It probably stopped making economic sense to keep the property a family entertainment center long ago, but the family has chosen to keep it in the community. Grandma Kenney still lives in her original Sunnyvale home, and now 4 generations of the family have grown up in Sunnyvale, graduated from Sunnyvale schools, and have purchased their own homes and raised their own children here.

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- > Something that makes Golfland unique and fun is the Disney like ambiance when playing outdoors. Grandpa Kenney's slogan was Clean, Green, Safe, and Lean. The sun, grass, trees, and shrubs are an oasis in a bustling Silicon Valley community. People come to Sunnyvale, to this competitive part of the El Camino, to play and then go find a nearby restaurant to eat or shop then go play at Golfland. Families and the Sunnyvale Community want and need an outdoor active option to host their children's birthday parties, socialize with coworkers, family, and friends. Most of us get enough indoor anti-social activity in our lives.
- > Golfland needs your help. The Southern neighboring property where historically there has been a nursery, recently Summer Winds Nursery, was purchased by a large out of state company. It is proposed to construct a 5 story hotel. This hotel will shade Golfland for most of the year. The shading will ruin the ambiance that makes Golfland what it is. Instead of an open view like we now enjoy the view will be of another Monster building. The 5 story hotel will tower over the adjacent buildings and become the new visual backdrop at the corner of Wolfe and El Camino. The shading also takes away Golfland's solar potential to put solar panels on the building and on covered parking. As more and more Sunnyvale residents try to be green and do our part.
- > We ask that you please attend the Planning Commission Hearing on October 12, 2015 at 8:00pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA and voice your opinion against a 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland and become the new panorama. If you don't have time to attend the meeting please send an email to planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov and cc me at jasonk@golfland.com with your name and address so it can be presented at the meeting and future meetings.
- > Please forward this email to friends, family, and community who have enjoyed Golfland and want to see it stick around.

- > Our mailing address is:
- > Golfland Entertainment Centers, Inc.
- > 855 E. El Camino Real
- > Sunnyvale, CA 94087
- > USA

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From: Hanson Jiang

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:20 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc:

Subject: Resident's Opinion: Golfland USA and proposed neighboring development

Hello Sunnyvale Planning Commission,

I received Jason Kenney's notice of a potential 5-story hotel project being built next to Golfland USA at 855 E. El Camino Real. I appreciate the family-run Golfland business and their contribution to Sunnyvale as a safe, fun place for families and groups. I agree a 5-story hotel could harm the business by severely limiting sun exposure and disrupting the ambiance of Golfland's property. I myself am a 7-year resident of Sunnyvale who is in the process of a house remodel and I intend to raise my family here; I have taken care to listen to my own neighbors and take their interests into consideration in the design and execution of my remodel so far. I request that you keep these sentiments in mind for the proposed project neighboring Golfland USA.

Ideally, the owner of the former Summer Winds Nursery property will be able to find a compromise that will benefit their interests as well as those of their neighbor Golfland and the larger Sunnyvale community.

Thank you, Hanson Jiang Lakewood Dr Sunnyvale CA 94089

From: Patti Evans

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:06 PM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Jason Kenney (LS)

Subject: Proposed construction on El Camino Real

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I am deeply concerned about the recent development along El Camino Real. There has been an abundance of tall buildings being build right next to the road with little or no set back. I strongly disagree with this type of construction.

As a long time Sunnyvale resident I do not want to see our City's character get destroyed in this way.

I understand the need for progress and growth. Although, I have been sad to see the orchards get replaced with homes and commercial projects. I also understand that Sunnyvale is a very desirable place to work & live. And property owners should be able to reasonably pursue financially appealing projects. But there has to be **balance.**

Specifically today I am writing today to urge the city NOT to approve a variance, allowing a 5 story building to be built in the location of the former Summer Winds nursery.

Recently the our city's ECR plan project team had a workshop at the State of the City event, where community members were invited to give input on their vision for El Camino Real. One of the 6 identified common themes was:

- Slowing, halting or better managing the development of "high-rise" and high-density construction along ECR

Building a 5 story hotel on El Camino Real, is exactly what our community does NOT want. High density construction & increased traffic congestion is not the right direction for our city.

I am deeply opposed to the construction of a 5 story building (hotel or other) at the site of the former Summer Winds nursery.

Sincerely, Patti Evans

Savory Dr,

Sunnyvale Ca 94087

From: Cristina Pfeffer

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:30 AM

To: Margaret Netto; Gerri Caruso

Cc: Trudi Ryan; Hanson Hom; Rebecca Moon; PlanningCommission AP

Subject: OPERATIONAL - Public hearing on Hampton inn project on el camino real

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City staff, please respond within 72 hours.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer

Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale (408) 730-7440 cpfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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From: **Deborah Gorman** <dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Date: Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:51 AM

Subject: Fwd: POLICY--Fwd: Public hearing on Hampton inn project on el camino real

To: Cristina Pfeffer < CPfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Cc: Gerri Caruso <gcaruso@sunnyvale.ca.gov>, Margaret Netto <mnetto@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

From Council Answerpoint regarding item going to Planning Commission tonight, 10/12.

Deborah Gorman, Administrative Aide City of Sunnyvale, CDD dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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Subject: POLICYFwd: Public hearing on Hampton inn project on el camino real	
To: "Davis, Jim" Glenn Hendricks	
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Tara", "Meyering, Pat", "Whittum, David"	
Cc: Deanna Santana < dsantana@sunnyvale.ca.gov>, Jane Chambers < jchambers@sunnyvale.ca.gov>,	
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From: Heidi Kirk < hkirk@sunnyvale.ca.gov>	
Date: Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:38 AM	
Subject: Re: Public hearing on Hampton inn project on el camino real	
To: Ratnendra Pandey	

Mr. Pandey:

Thank you for your email to the Council AnswerPoint. I am forwarding your message to Council, copying key City staff for their review as well.

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On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:32 AM, Council AnswerPoint < council@sunnyvale.ca.gov> wrote:

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From: Ratnendra Pandey

Date: Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:20 AM

Subject: Public hearing on Hampton inn project on el camino real

To: council@sunnyvale.ca.gov

This is in regards to the public hearing for the Hampton inn on El Camino and all other construction projects in planning phase.

I will ask city council to hold off a decision on this and other construction project to give city time to go for a mid course review of the impact of high density development on quality of life in Sunnyvale and neighboring cities. Place a moratorium on new construction.

In last few years, there has been a perceptible decline in quality of life parameters due to high density development. The bad impact are clearly visible in traffic and parking situation in the city. The roads are crowded and traffic moves slowly and waits have become longer on traffic lights.

The parking lots of many strip malls run out of spaces during the peak retailing hours resulting in loss of business to the businesses and inconvenience to the residents. The driving on roads have become stressful as the drivers compete with others for road space. Drivers are yielding less to the drivers who have priority. Some drivers are not making a complete stop at stop signs.

Overcrowding is being reported in schools affecting the amount of personal attention teachers can give to students.

The single source of all these is high density housing projects popping up in Bay Area.

Therefore, I will request city to put a moratorium on all construction projects, including the Hampton inn project till we can understand the situation. This is a time to review the trend towards high density housing that is making the existing residents miserable.

Lack of adequate parking in new and old construction is a serious concern. More people than planned are now living in these dense housing. Consequently, they use neighborhood streets for parking and long term vehicle storage.

We also need to address inadequate parking by requiring builders to build more parking spaces so that the tenets keep vehicles within the boundary of the construction.

I am hoping city council will pay attention to the problems caused to current residents due to high density development.

But, first we must put a moratorium on this, Hampton inn, and all other projects.

Sincerely, Ratnendra Pandey

Sent from my iPad

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From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:24 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: In Support of NOT Having a New Hotel

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From: Lucinda Wong

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:21 AM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: In Support of NOT Having a New Hotel

Please share with the city council and planning commission.

I am both a neighboring resident and longtime fan of Golfland Sunnyvale. As with many of you on the planning commission and city council, my family and I have enjoyed countless trips to Golfland over the years. In recent years, I become a homeowner in the area. I own and live in one of the townhouses just behind Golfland. As such, I am very invested in what happens in my neighborhood. I am disappointed to hear that a five story hotel is planned for the old nursery site. Such a development is not going to fit in with the character of the neighborhood. Currently there are no buildings taller than three stories in the immediate area. This includes four hotels (Corporate Inn, Maple Tree Inn, Friendship Inn, and The Wild Palms), none of which are over three stories tall. I would hope that you would agree that such a tall hotel would not be a good fit for this neighborhood. While I would most prefer no hotel at all, I would at least hope that the developer would be asked to modify plans so that the building will be in line with other buildings in the area and will not adversely impact the ambiance of Golfland.

Respectfully, Lucinda Trice

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:16 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: FW: Golfland

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From: Leah Jespersen

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:13 AM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland

We love Golfland. We have played there, our children have played there, and now when our grandchildren are in town they play there. It is one of the best miniature golf in the country. Please no 5 story hotel.

Thank you,

Gary and Leah Jespersen

Nuthatch Lane,

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Dawn Gadd

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:04 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

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I did not include my address in my previous email. Here it is:

Dawn Gadd

Sara Ave.

Sunnyvale, CA 94086

From: Dawn Gadd

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 11:02 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Sunnyvale Golfland

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Greetings,

Please do NOT not grant the variances that the developers are requesting for the building on Wolfe and El Camino — especially since it will negatively impact our beloved Golfland. I have lived in Sunnyvale for 25 years. The current growth of buildings over three stories is unwanted by most Sunnyvale residents — not to mention the traffic congestion it will cause at that particular intersection. Please SLOW down on the monster buildings!

Regards,

Dawn Gadd

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:56 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: RE: FW: Golfland & Planned 5-Story Hotel

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Where is the best place for residents to email their concerns about the proposed 5 story hotel?

Jason Kenney Golfland USA, Sunnyvale

From: cpfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov [mailto:cpfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov] On Behalf Of PlanningCommission AP

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:47 AM

To:

Cc: Jason Kenney

Subject: Re: FW: Golfland & Planned 5-Story Hotel

Dear Tamer Abdel-Rahim,

Thank you for your email to the Planning Commission.

Outside of official Commission meetings, individual Commission members are not authorized to represent the City or the Commission and therefore your item has been forwarded as *Information Only* to the members of the Commission, and you will not receive a response from them. Your message will also be provided on the dais for the Commission at tonight's Planning Commission meeting. As your message deals with City operations, it has been sent to key staff members for their response.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale 408-730-7440

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 10:42 AM, Jason Kenney <

wrote:

From: Tamer Abdel-Rahim

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:39 AM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Golfland & Planned 5-Story Hotel

Hello Jason,

Happy Monday.
My name is Tamer Abdel-Rahim and I live at 1466 Barton Dr, Sunnyvale, 94087.
I salute your family for keeping Golfland a Sunnyvale tradition - even though it stopped making economical sense years ago. I remember my last visit to Golfland with friends, it was a lot of fun.
I wholeheartedly oppose the building of a 5-story building next to Golfland to tower over it and block the unobstructed view it currently enjoys. I even enjoy that there is still an open space while driving past Golfland along El Camino; I was there yesterday on my way to Safeway and was admiring the clear blue skies.
We need to balance our economic/urban needs with our more human needs - open spaces are a definite human need which may not translate directly into dollars but it does translate into healthier outlooks, happier citizens and a better place to live and work - which is more than money can buy.
Please voice my objection to building a 5 story hotel that will obstruct the open view we now enjoy at Golfland
Thank You,
Tamer.

From: Jason Kenney Monday, October 12, 2015 10:42 AM Sent: To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov FW: Golfland & Planned 5-Story Hotel Subject: From: Tamer Abdel-Rahim Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:39 AM To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland & Planned 5-Story Hotel Hello Jason, Happy Monday. My name is Tamer Abdel-Rahim and I live at 1466 Barton Dr, Sunnyvale, 94087. I salute your family for keeping Golfland a Sunnyvale tradition - even though it stopped making economical sense years ago. I remember my last visit to Golfland with friends, it was a lot of fun. I wholeheartedly oppose the building of a 5-story building next to Golfland to tower over it and block the unobstructed view it currently enjoys. I even enjoy that there is still an open space while driving past Golfland along El Camino; I was there yesterday on my way to Safeway and was admiring the clear blue skies. We need to balance our economic/urban needs with our more human needs - open spaces are a definite human need which may not translate directly into dollars but it does translate into healthier outlooks, happier citizens and a better place to live and work - which is more than money can buy. Please voice my objection to building a 5 story hotel that will obstruct the open view we now enjoy at Golfland. Thank You, Tamer.

From: Jim Quillinan

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:40 AM
To: PlanningCommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland

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Just learned of the plan to build a large hotel next to Golfland. This large hotel will cut off the sunlight to Golfland and ruin one of our family's favorite spots. I golfed there when I was a kid and now take my grandchildren. Please consider a 2-3 story height limitation to preserve a Sunnyvale Jewel.

James Quillinan
Georgetown Court
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

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From: Cristina Pfeffer

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:28 AM

To: Margaret Netto; Gerri Caruso

Cc: Trudi Ryan; Hanson Hom; Rebecca Moon; PlanningCommission AP

OPERATIONAL - Golfland and hotel development Subject:

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From: **Deborah Gorman** dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Date: Mon. Oct 12, 2015 at 10:23 AM

Subject: Fwd: POLICY--Fwd: Golfland and hotel development

To: Cristina Pfeffer < CPfeffer@sunnyvale.ca.gov> Cc: Gerri Caruso < gcaruso @ sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Another email regarding concerns for Golfland regarding old SummerWinds site - PC item going tonight.

Deborah Gorman, Administrative Aide City of Sunnyvale, CDD dgorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 8:42 AM, Council AnswerPoint <council@sunnyvale.ca.gov> wrote:

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From: Lisa Date: Sun, Oct 11, 2015 at 4:21 PM Subject: Golfland and hotel development

To: "council@sunnyvale.ca.gov" <council@sunnyvale.ca.gov>

Dear Council members,

It has come to my attention that Sunnyvale planning commission may be allowing a five story hotel to be built next to the corner of El Camino Real and Wolfe road, next to Golfland. If this is allowed Golfland will basically be in the shade and under the surrounding shadows of a five story hotel. This should not happen nor be allowed to happen. Sunnyvale has made some very poor choices in its development, look at our non functional buildings downtown along with an unusable parking structure. Why should Golfland suffer because someone wants more revenue? Build a hotel across the street from the same area and forget about residential housing! Over growth is not a positive thing.

I have lived 55 years in Sunnyvale and we have grown but lets continue to grow in the right direction and not over shadow our privately owned businesses

I vote NO for the hotel!

Regard,

Lisa Atkins
W Remington Dr
Sunnyvale, 94087

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:08 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Golfland

From: Melissa Holmes

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 10:05 AM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland

I'd like to extend my support of Golfland in Sunnyvale and disapproval of the five story hotel that is scheduled to be built neighboring the Golfland property. Not only would such a tall building effect the ambiance of Golfland and their potential installation of solar powered devices, such a monstrosity would negatively change the landscape of Sunnyvale at Wolf Road and El Camino.

Bigger is not always better. Sunnyvale is the place of my home and childhood, and while I recognize that building and updating is necessary for the commerce of a city, this type of development takes away from what makes Sunnyvale a wonderful place to live and raise a family. And in the case of how this new hotel would damage the Golfland family business and all they are trying to provide for our community, it would ultimately literally remove the "sunny" from Sunnyvale.

Surely we can work together moving forward to find a compromise that doesn't negate all that the Kenny Family has built and offered by Sunnyvale residents for generations.

If this new five story hotel is built as now planned, it will be one of those devastating moments in the history of our city. This development will one day - very soon - prompt remarks by all who value the unique landscape of Sunnyvale as they say "Gosh, that's so unfortunate. What a great loss for our community."

Let's strive to value what we love about Sunnyvale instead of doing all we can to drive out and turn away those who made Sunnyvale what it is today.

Sincerely,
Melissa Mouritsen Holmes
Sprig Court
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Margaret Tashiro

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:54 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Cc: Jason Kenney
Subject: Re: FW: NO HOTEL

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I know this is all about \$\$\$\$ and not the community. NO ONE wants a hotel at the corner of Wolfe/El Camino. NO ONE.

The city wants that area developed at the cost of this family business. Shameful!

I know these letters/emails will fall on deaf ears as the decision is already made and this is just a formality.

Thank your response.

Margaret Tashiro

On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 9:48 AM, PlanningCommission AP <<u>planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u>> wrote: Dear Margaret Tashiro,

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On Mon, Oct 12, 2015 at 9:38 AM, Jason Kenney

wrote:

From: Margaret Tashiro

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 8:25 PM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: NO HOTEL

Hi

I'm not able to attend the meeting so I am writing to you.

I grew up in Sunnyvale and still live not too far from where I grew up.

I gave great memories if Golfland and still go there on a beautiful day.

I am against a hotel being built next door to Golfland. It will change the entire experience of being outdoors not to mention the traffic nightmare in the already congested area.

Please do the right thing.

Thank you

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:49 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Golfland

From: Jim & Susan Fredrickson

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 10:20 PM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland

We have enjoyed many family outings over the years at Golfland USA and appreciate the care that the Kenney family has given it in addition to many contributions to the Sunnyvale community. We are very concerned about development that would significantly and negatively impact the character of this community family entertainment resource and its ability to use solar energy and would hope that any such development be modified to mitigate such impacts.

Jim & Susan Fredrickson

Albion Ln

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:48 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: name & address

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From: Anna Burnett

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 10:38 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: name & address

Hi Jason,

I'm sending my name and address to support Golfland as the facebook post requested.

Anna and Pete Dumesnil

Bryan Ave

Sunnyvale, CA

94086

Good luck! I hope you can stop it.

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Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:48 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: No 5 story building!!

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Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 11:50 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: No 5 story building!!

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Jeanette Ramirez

Grackle Way

Sunnyvale

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Jeanette Ramirez 1547 Grackle Way Sunnyvale

From:

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 46 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP Subject: Re: Re: Golfland USA

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To control spam, I now allow incoming messages only from senders I have approved beforehand.

If you would like to be added to my list of approved senders, please fill out the short request form (see link below). Once I approve you, I will receive your original message in my inbox. You do not need to resend your message. I apologize for this one-time inconvenience.

Click the link below to fill out the request:

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:46 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: No Hotel

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From: Derek McCaw

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 12:11 AM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: No Hotel

Jason,

I just saw your post on Facebook tonight. I have lived in Sunnyvale for most of my life; my father taught members of your family.

The Golfland on El Camino has been a staple of family entertainment in Sunnyvale. I loved playing there as a kid, and I have been grateful for it as a father now, where I can take my daughter and son for a break from homework that gets them outdoors, allows us to share some family bonding time, and do something other than go to the movies.

What I've appreciated most is that I can step onto your grounds and get transported back forty years or so, and share with my kids what my father shared with me.

(On a personal note, I treasure it because I don't get to spend nearly enough time with my children; that we choose to visit Golfland often speaks to how they get it, too. Thank you for providing a place for our family.)

Having it loomed over by a monster hotel fills me with dread. Part of the appeal of Golfland is its openness... to have it overshadowed, literally, diminishes the charm and the atmosphere not just of Golfland, but of Sunnyvale. We're damaging history, taking a place where people want to live and ruining all the reasons why. For a hotel? Who's going to come here and think "this is a good place to live?" if we've taken all of the liveliness out of it?

If I can make the meeting tomorrow night, I will. But I wanted to send this message to you in support regardless.

Best Regards, Derek McCaw

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:44 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Golfland

From: Kevon and Marion Gautschi-Wade Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 7:40 AM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland

Please add our names to the list opposing another monster hotel in subsystem and on El Camino, not that the intersection there needs more traffic either.

Kevon Wade Marion Gautschi Albion Court

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

From: Jason Kenney

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 9:43 AMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.govSubject:FW: Sunnyvale resident supporting Golfland

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From: Dalila Hernandez

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:33 AM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Sunnyvale resident supporting Golfland

Jason,

My name is Dalila Hernandez and I'm a resident of Sunnyvale.

Although I can't attend the meeting tomorrow night with this email receive my support against the 5 story hotel.

If you need additional information please let me know.

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Dalila Hernandez

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:43 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Golfland USA

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From: Sean E. Sullivan

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 5:38 PM

To: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland USA

Hey Jason,

Really sorry to hear about the potential construction threats to Golfland USA. I am a huge fan of your property, and Golfland's in general, as they consistently provide the best mini golf experience in California. My girlfriend and I have visited every location in California from Anaheim to Roseville and always come back to Sunnyvale no matter the size and offerings of your contemporaries. The safari course is in my top three, if not top, mini golf courses I've ever played and continue to love it every time.

What Golfland offers is exactly what you describe - a place for timeless, outdoor, fresh, but not overly exerting, fun that is competitive but fluid at the same time. Love the atmosphere at Golfland USA and I agree that the sun always seems to hit the courses in the most perfect/beautiful way. I would hate to see the property negatively effected in any way and hope that it can continue to shine on forever.

I do live in San Francisco and have a full schedule with a band and day job but let me know if there's anything I can do to help.

-Sean

Sean E. Sullivan

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From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:42 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Hotel blocking golfland

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From: Sandra Gay

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 5:53 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: Hotel blocking golfland

Dear Sunnyvale City Council,

Yet again I am sickened at the thought of another high density living situation in the plans for Sunnyvale. Already a very over crowded city that is rapidly losing its small town charm, we are being bought out by big box out of the area companies! Where are all of the children going to go to school that will be living in these apartments? Sunnyvale school district can't even handle the number of kid sit currently has. How are we going to add more traffic to this area?

How can we potentially put out of business another original Sunnyvale small business' for the big box stuff? Golfland has been a icon for years. I and my children went on school field trips, and with our families. As a teen it is one of few places for teens to hang out that is safe. What does Sunnyvale have that is of interest to the 12-18 year old to hang out with friends??

I ask you this, what made YOU ALL come to Sunnyvale? Why do you think it is special? It is not the same Town that we all moved to or grew up in. Maybe it's time to move. I AND MY FAMILY IS AGAINST THIS BUILDING PROPOSAL FOR SUNNYVALE.

Good day, Sandra Gay 38 year resident of Sunnyvale

Sent from my iPhone

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:40 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: save our icon as is

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From: Jodi Ogas

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 8:13 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: save our icon as is

To Whom it may concern, please leave our last iconic memory of our childhood as is. Sunnyvale has changed so much to a point of near non-recognition and it saddens everyone who's ever lived there. Yes, we are fortunate to say that we live there or have lived there. Building a 5-story apartment right up against Golfland just doesn't make sense. This family has kept it going in honor of everyone's childhood memories.. We have lost so many things that make our heart smile as a Sunnyvalian. Please reconsider this. Thank you.

From: Jason Kenney

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 9:40 AMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: You have my support Jason and Golfland!

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From: Becky Cotton

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 8:16 PM

To: Jason Kenney

Subject: You have my support Jason and Golfland!

Hi Jason,

If I can, I will come to the meeting on Tuesday night. If I am not able to come please include my information as support for Golfland!

Jim, Robbie, Nathalie and Becky Cotton 1678 Martin Avenue Sunnyvale Ca. 94087

Warm regards and hugs,

Becky

From: Jason Kenney

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:38 AM
To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Proposed 5 story structure

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From: On Behalf Of Neena

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 8:34 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Jason Kenney

Subject: Proposed 5 story structure

To whom it may concern:

I'm a resident of Sunnyvale's heritage district and I'd like to voice my opposition to granting permits to build a tall structure next to golfland near Wolfe and El Camino Real. This would negatively impact a wonderful Sunnyvale institution and our quality of life in our city.

Sincerely, Neena Rao

(Vine Ave)

From: Jason Kenney

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 9:33 AMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: FW: Golfland

-----Original Message-----

From: Chelsea Weaver

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 9:02 PM To: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Jason Kenney Subject: Golfland

Hello,

Please include my name and address to be included at planning meetings regarding the construction of the hotel. I am opposed to this. I grew up in the Bay Area and have fond memories of Golfland and the enjoyment it brought. It would be a shame for this hotel to tower over it like an annoying eyesore.

Chelsea Wilson Weaver

Sent from my iPhone Have a beautiful day!

From: Jason Kenney

Sent:Monday, October 12, 2015 9:32 AMTo:planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.govSubject:FW: Planned hotel next to Golfland

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From: Aida Rita Sued

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2015 9:05 PM **To:** planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Cc: Jason Kenney

Subject: Planned hotel next to Golfland

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Aida Sued a Sunnyvale resident for over 10 years. I oppose the construction of a new hotel next to Golfland in Sunnyvale. Traffic on El Camino Real is at all all time high and adding another hotel will only make matters worse. Sunnyvale does not need another hotel.

Aida Sued quail ave

Sunnyvale

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: Mike & Marie Piccardo

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:20 AM

To:

Cc: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Golfland USA

Jason,

Now that our kids have grown I haven't been to Golfland on El Camino in Sunnyvale for quite some time but remember fondly going there as a kid myself with my parents and for parties. I moved to Sunnyvale with my parents in April of 1961 and remember driving by Golfland when I was with my parents and always bugging them about going to play "golf" at Golfland. I was 10 at the time. I loved going to Golfland at that time. I think young kids are naturally attracted to mini-golf. At least I was.

It would be a shame to lose the sunny outdoor ambiance at Golfland and I don't like all the big developments going in along El Camino in both Sunnyvale and Santa Clara. I wish you the best in your effort to keep Golfland the "oasis in a bustling Silicon Valley community" you talk about. I cannot make the Planning Commission meeting this evening since I will be at another function at the same time.

Mike Piccardo Spoonbill Way Sunnyvale

From: Nina Wong-Dobkin

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 9:01 AM

To: PlanningCommission AP

Subject: Re: PLEASE!!! NO 5-story hotel at the old Summer Winds Nursery site!

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Thanks Cristina, for your response. Since I cannot be at the meeting tonight, I just sent the e-mail so that hopefully my input will be considered.

~Nina~

On Oct 12, 2015, at 8:54 AM, PlanningCommission AP planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov> wrote:

Dear Nina Wong-Dobkin,

Thank you for your email to the Planning Commission.

Outside of official Commission meetings, individual Commission members are not authorized to represent the City or the Commission and therefore your item has been forwarded as *Information Only* to the members of the Commission, and you will not receive a response from them. Your message will also be provided on the dais for the Commission at tonight's Planning Commission meeting. As your message deals with City operations, it has been sent to key staff members for their response.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Cristina Pfeffer Administrative Aide CDD/Planning City of Sunnyvale 408-730-7440

On Sun, Oct 11, 2015 at 8:29 PM, Nina Wong-Dobkin Sunnyvale Planning Commission Members:

I just learned that the new owner of the land previously occupied by Summer Winds Nursery wants to build a 5-story hotel on the site.

Building high-density residential units and hotels in Sunnyvale has completely gotten out of hand! The Planning Commission and the City Council are still acting like they need to bend over backwards for developers, giving away Sunnyvale land for free (publicly announced as "in exchange for lower development/building costs"). There is no way Sunnyvale is short on revenue when we have so many new hotels and businesses and property taxes from new residential units. Continuation of such deals with developers will indicate rampant corruption where developers fund our public officials' re-election campaigns!! I have lived in Sunnyvale for over twenty years and have not missed one single election. Never have I been so discouraged and feel so ignored by our city council members.

The neighborhood where the former Summer Winds Nursery was and where the iconic Golfland is will be

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ruined with such a high-rise hotel. Countless Sunnyvale residents, some spanning multiple generations in their families, have enjoyed the outdoor activity Sunnyvale Golfland provides. It is also a very nice gathering place for Sunnyvale youths, making friends over arcade games and miniature golf. My son has made some long-time friends at that arcade, from the time he was in high school. He is now a young adult, and in fact, is working on a documentary on an arcade game, and will feature a lot of footage shot at Sunnyvale Golfland.

Please do not permit this 5-story hotel!

~Nina Wong-Dobkin~

From: Marcia Bacher

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 8:41 AM

To:

Cc: planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Re: [BIRDLANDNEIGHBORS] Golfland and the Monster Hotel planned for the nursery

property

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Dear Jason and the Sunnyvale Planning Commission

I will make my note simple.

It is not ok to build a five story building in the location proposed.

Golfland is a long standing business in our community.

Golf, for all the world, means outdoors.

If you shade their area to this extent, you are condemning it do a slow and painful death.

I request that the City step up to the plate...or tee, and re-evaluate this issue. Five stories is too high.

Sincerely,

Marcia and Richard Bacher Partridge Court Sunnyvale, Ca. 94087

On Oct 11, 2015, at 7:24 PM,

Dear Friends and Community,

Families have been enjoying clean safe outdoor fun in the sun at Golfland for almost 60 years. Golfland USA was built in 1959 by Ben and Louise Kenney when most of Sunnyvale was an orchard. It is one of the last historic Sunnyvale icons. It probably stopped making economic sense to keep the property a family entertainment center long ago, but the family has chosen to keep it in the community. Louise Kenney still lives in her original Sunnyvale home, and now 4 generations of the family have grown up in Sunnyvale, graduated from Sunnyvale schools, and have purchased their own homes and raised their own children here.

Something that makes Golfland unique and fun is the Disney like ambiance when playing outdoors. Ben Kenney's slogan was Clean, Green, Safe, and Lean. The sun, grass, trees, and shrubs are an oasis in a bustling Silicon Valley community. People come to Sunnyvale, to this competitive part of the El Camino, to play and

then go find a nearby restaurant to eat or shop then go play at Golfland. Families and the Sunnyvale Community want and need an outdoor active option to host their children's birthday parties, socialize with coworkers, family, and friends. Most of us get enough indoor anti-social activity in our lives.

Golfland needs your help. The Southern neighboring property where historically there has been a nursery, recently Summer Winds Nursery, was purchased by a large out of state company. It is proposed to construct a 5 story hotel. This hotel will shade Golfland for most of the year. The shading will ruin the ambiance that makes Golfland what it is. Instead of an open view like we now enjoy the view will be of another Monster building. The 5 story hotel will tower over the adjacent buildings and become the new visual backdrop at the corner of Wolfe and El Camino. The shading also takes away Golfland's solar potential to put solar panels on the building and on covered parking. As more and more Sunnyvale residents try to be green and do our part.

We ask that you please attend the Planning Commission Hearing on October 12, 2015 at 8:00pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA and voice your opinion against a 5 story hotel that will shade Golfland and become the new panorama. If you don't have time to attend the meeting please send an email with your name and address so it can be presented at the meeting and future meetings.

Please forward this email to friends, family, and community who have enjoyed Golfland and want to see it stick around.

Thank you,

Jason Kenney

please cc planningcommission@sunnyvale.ca.gov

3rd Generation operator of Golfland USA

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