

Buice, Eva

From: Alexandra Carbone <ajcarbone@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 8:25 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Urban Farm Project

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Alexandra Carbone and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

Although I am not a Pomona resident, I wish to point out the significance of this garden as a health and well-being resource within the County of Los Angeles. This garden, through its outreach work, has positively influenced hundreds, if not thousands of people, within LA County, and Pomona should be proud of its accomplishments. I would urge the City Council to not take any actions which may negatively impact this garden, and instead protect and promote its work.

Sincerely,
Alexandra

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From: Scheherezade Daftary <scheherezade.daftary@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:23 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Please save the farm

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Scheherezade and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

Although I am not a Pomona resident, I wish to point out the significance of this garden as a health and well-being resource within the County of Los Angeles. This garden, through its outreach work, has positively influenced hundreds, if not thousands of people, within LA County, and Pomona should be proud of its accomplishments. Rishi and everyone involved in the programs at Sarvodaya Farms are a well know and well regarded resource for urban farming and community building in LA County. I would urge the City Council to not take any actions which may negatively impact this garden, and instead protect and promote its work.

Sincerely,
Scheherezade Daftary

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Leigh Adams <leighlaughing@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:46 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Sarvodaya Farms

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Leigh Adams and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

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I also wish to point out that I visit Pomona College because of its garden program. I visit Pomona because of Sarvodaya and Pomona College. I buy food, gas and services when I am in Pomona. Yes, I actually drive an hour to get to Pomona to get fresh fruits and vegetablesbecause of the quality of food and the calibre of people at Sarvodaya. Please consider that acting in a sustainable fashion in this instance is choosing FOR an organic farm.

Sincerely, Leigh Adams, educator/artist/gardener

We have probed the earth, excavated it, burned it, ripped things from it, buried things in it, chopped down its forests, leveled its hills, muddied its waters, and dirtied its air. That does not fit my definition of a good tenant. If we were here on a month-to-month basis, we would have been evicted long ago. -Rose Bird, Chief Justice of California Supreme Court (2 Nov 1936-1999)

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From: Lynn Fang <lynnfang22@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 8:45 PM
To: Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Reject Development Proposed at 1198 and 1236 South San Antonio Ave

Dear Mr. Lazzaretto,

My name is Lynn Fang and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave, where I live, as well as the garden on the property to the east of it. The garden at 1196 South San Antonio Ave, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

As a current Pomona resident, I wish to point out the significance of this garden as a health and well-being resource to our city's population, which suffers from many health problems from diabetes to obesity. This garden, through its outreach work, has positively influenced many Pomona citizens to live a healthier lifestyle and the city should be proud of its accomplishments. This valuable community resource should be protected for the benefit of the city and its residents. The Pomona Zoning Code states that developments seeking Conditional Use Permits should not negatively affect the general well-being of the neighborhood or the "use, valuation, or enjoyment" neighboring properties. This proposed development will negatively affect this community institution as it is currently designed. This project should NOT be approved as currently designed, but should be redesigned such that it does not negatively affect neighboring properties, including this garden.

Sincerely,
Lynn Fang

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From: Tony de Veyra <tony.deveyra@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:44 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Support for a Pomona Community Treasure

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Tony de Veyra and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. I learned a lot about growing vegetables and produce at the farm while I was a plant science and agriculture student at Cal Poly Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

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Sincerely,
Tony de Veyra

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From: Janice Kubo <JaniSan222@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:58 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Regarding development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Janice Kubo, and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

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In a time when Sustainable and Regenerative Economies is becoming more and more important for our planet, please thoughtfully consider the implications of these decisions, not just for tomorrow but for many generations to come. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Janice Kubo

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From: abigail ombina <abigaillopez0525@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 12:58 AM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Growing Club Neighborhood Farm

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Abigail Lopez and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

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Sincerely,
Abigail Lopez

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From: Michael Wiebelt <mawiebelt@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:14 PM
To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark
Subject: Community Garden

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Michael Wiebelt and I am writing to you all regarding a proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave and 1236 South San Antonio Ave, which will come before you for a Public Hearing on Monday, June 19th. This development, as it is currently proposed, would have a negative effect on the garden directly north of it at 1196 South San Antonio Ave. The garden, which is maintained for the benefit of the community by its owner, Rishi Kumar and a non-profit organization, The Growing Club, is an important community and educational resource in the City of Pomona. This garden has positively influenced my life, and its well-being is now my personal concern.

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Sincerely,

Michael Wiebelt
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