From:

Lazzaretto, Mark

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 10:34 AM

To:

Buice, Eva

Subject:

FW: Monday's Public Hearing to protect Sarvodaya Farms

One more...

From: Ha Truong [mailto:denovoha@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 9:25 AM

To: Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject: Monday's Public Hearing to protect Sarvodaya Farms

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Ha Truong 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.

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, Ha Truong

From:

Lazzaretto, Mark

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 1:05 PM

To:

Buice, Eva

Subject:

FW: Please keep the farm going.

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From: Nicolas Zuluaga [mailto:nicozulu888@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 1:04 PM

To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna;

Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark **Subject:** Please keep the farm going.

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Nicolas A. Zuluaga 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, Nicolas A. Zuluaga

From: Susan Kim <sninakim@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:28 AM

To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole,

Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Cc: Susan Kim

Subject: 1198 S. San Antonio Avenue- Pomona

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Susan Kim 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 as a past intern at the garden, and its well-being is now my personal concern. I was at the hearing a couple months ago and concerned this is going to yet another hearing.

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. I live in Claremont and can only wish to have this replicated in my city. 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. Pomona is lucky to have Rishi and the farmers bringing in such a positive place that impacts Pomona in only positive ways. 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, Susan Kim Farm past intern sninakim@gmail.com

From:

Payal Shah <payalhasu@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 12:11 PM

To:

tim_dandoval@ci.pomona.ca.us; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina;

Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject:

June 19 Public Hearing

My name is Payal Shah 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.

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, Payal Shah

From:

Vaishali <vaisha22@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:28 AM

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 Vaishali Ramasamy 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, Vaishali Ramasamy

From: Virginia Lam <5virginialam@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:57 AM

To: Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa,

Cristina; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject: Proposed Development for South San Antonio Ave

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Virginia Lam and I am writing to you 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 **direct** negative effects 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 for the past, 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 will negatively impact this garden, and instead protect and promote its work.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Virginia Lam

From: roman zenz <zenzroman@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:59 AM

To: zenzroman

Cc: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole,

Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna; Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject: Sarvodaya Farms in Pomona

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Roman Zenz 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,

Roman Zenz 1148 Queen Anne Place, Apt. 4, Los Angeles, CA 90019

Roman Zenz

zenzroman@gmail.com (310) 526 1879 www.romanzenz.com www.urbanfruitdoc.com

From:

Lazzaretto, Mark

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:14 AM

To:

Buice, Eva

Subject:

FW: proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave

Here's another. ©

From: Ron [mailto:ron@rinconvitova.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:13 AM

To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna;

Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject: Re: proposed development at 1198 South San Antonio Ave

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Ron Whitehurst 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.

My wife and I run the oldest commercial beneficial insectary in the US and winner of the Regenerative Business prize for 2016. I have given talks at the Growing Club on biological control, important information for home gardeners to grow good food without using toxic pesticides. Rishi Kumar is providing a valuable community resource for education, outreach and supplying healthy food for the community. Beyond the confines of Pomona, the Growing Club has the respect of the organic gardening and permaculture community in southern California.

Any development that would impinge on the Growing Clubs activities would be a detriment to the community. I encourage you to deny the proposed development.

Sincerely,

Ron

Ron Whitehurst

Pest Control Advisor Rincon-Vitova Insectaries, Inc. PO Box 1555 Ventura, CA 93001 805-643-5407 800-248-2847 (BUGS) ron@rinconvitova.com

From:

Lazzaretto, Mark

Sent:

Thursday, June 15, 2017 3:51 PM

To:

Buice, Eva

Subject:

FW: Proposed Building Development on S. San Antonio Ave.

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From: Will Floyd [mailto:w.e.floyd1@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 2:55 PM

To: Sandoval, Tim; Gonzalez, Rubio; Robledo, Adriana; Carrizosa, Cristina; Ontiveros-Cole, Elizabeth; Escobar, Ginna;

Torres, Robert; Lazzaretto, Mark

Subject: RE: Proposed Building Development on S. San Antonio Ave.

Dear Honorable City Council Members of Pomona,

My name is Will Floyd 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, Will Floyd