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Subject: In support of Emergency Building Moratorium & Annexation Hold.

Dear Mayor Green and council members,

I am writing to urge your support for the temporary moratorium as well as an immediate hold on land annexation requests. There are several reasons I feel this way about both issues.

Alpine is very much at a crossroads. Our town has very little land at the end of the day, and what we choose to do with what we have left will shape the character of the town itself for generations to come. One would assume we have a Master Plan for development, but we do not. One would assume that our utilities were ready to accommodate these projects, but how can we be sure? Even worse, waiving or simply not applying impact fees seems to be common. How is that justifiable in any way?

What we need is transparency concerning these issues which very much concern every single resident using water and sewer. In my experience, any time there seems to be a scramble to push something through, without proper due diligence and transparency to the community, someone knows of risks that they don't want to be made public.

I am not, by any stretch, an anti development guy. I just think that we need to slow down and carefully plan for the future of this wonderful place. This is our only chance for it.

Thank you, Joseph Paine Town Council Candidate