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To: City Council

Subject: 1610 Bulb Ave Annexation on March 13, 2025 Agenda

Attachments: Letter to Capitola City Council.docx

Dear Council Members and Mayor Clarke, Please review and incorporate the comments in the attached letter explaining Bulb Ave. residents past and current opposition to this annexation. Thank you for your time. Best regards,

Susan Steely, resident 1475 Bulb Avenue



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Attention: Capitola City Council Members and Mayor Clarke

Reference: March 13th Meeting Agenda item for Annexation of 1610 Bulb Ave, Santa Cruz to Capitola

Dear Council Members and Mayor Clarke,

We, as residents adjacent to and nearby property owners to 1610 Bulb Ave., would like to restate our opposition and concerns to the annexation of 1610 Bulb Ave., specifically without a development proposal of 3720 Capitola Rd., Capitola.

The Council has previously rejected two development proposals at both the October 2022 & January 2023 Council meetings where we submitted many letters and presented oral objections. Since some of the Council members are new, I think it is very important that both meeting minutes and all the correspondence be included in this new application proposal discussion.

It appears that the developers are putting the "cart before the horse" by trying to annex 1610 Bulb without a clear understanding of what they are proposing to do with the property and the adjacent Capitola Rd property. What is the point of the annexation prior to any land use plans being submitted and reviewed? The previous two plans were rejected by the neighborhood and the Council because they did not benefit the community, address affordability requirements or have a minimum impact on neighboring properties. It is quite clear that once the property has been annexed by Capitola, then we as Live Oak residents living on Bulb Avenue, would no longer have a say or vote in the new development design for 3720 Capitola Rd with 1610 Bulb.

Thank you for reviewing our past comments at the two previous meetings as well as our individual written responses and acknowledge my neighbors and my opposition to the annexation.

Sincerely,

Susan Steely

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