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**Subject:** City of San Mateo General Plan and Land Use Alternatives

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I apologize, but was not able to attend the meeting on February 17 to provide my input on land use alternatives. I am providing my thoughts below for your consideration:

- San Mateo voters passed Measure Y in order to maintain the current quiet community ambiance.
- I believe the quiet, small-city feel to San Mateo is sought after and treasured by residents.
- The aesthetics of the city enhance the ambiance of the community. High density buildings negatively impact the aesthetic.
- I do not want San Mateo to grow significantly as this would unduly burden already taxed infrastructure and add to already congested streets. I don't think I am alone in thinking this.
- The growth numbers of 30, 40, and 50% are scary and beyond what seems reasonable in order to maintain San Mateo as a lovely and sought after place to live.
- Please plan for minimum growth while seeking to comply with state regulations.

Thank you,  
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San Mateo resident since 1975