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Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 12:21 PM

To: Planning <planning@cityofsanmateo.org>

Subject: I am strongly in favor of "Alternative A" for our General Plan: Please vote for Alternative A

Dear City Council Members:

As a long-time resident of San Mateo and a homeowner, I am strongly in favor of "Alternative A" for our General Plan. Alternative A paces growth at 30% over the next 20 years and although it is twice the rate of growth of the last 50 years, of the three options we have to consider, it is the only one that makes sense.

As much as some may want to increase growth at a faster rate, there are many important related issues that suggest a slower rate of growth is the wisest choice.

We must consider the need to develop infrastructure (sewer, roads, schools, etc.) to support the faster rate of growth; we need to consider the challenge of having enough water to support that faster rate of growth; we need to consider the effect of traffic, congestion, noise, lack of vegetation, parks, wildlife habitat. The quality of life for San Mateans is also an important consideration when planning for San Mateo's rate of growth.

With all of the many important factors to consider, I think Alternative A is the most intelligent and wisest for the General Plan for our city. I hope you will vote for Alternative A.

Sincerely,
Mary Beavins