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To: City Council (San Mateo) <CityCouncil@cityofsanmateo.org>
Subject: Baywood

Dear City Council members,

My husband, David Goss and I, have lived in Baywood since 1985. We previously lived in the Aragon. We bought homes in these neighborhoods because of the beautiful architectural styles of the homes. We live at 459 Parrott Drive, which probably would be designated a historic resource in Baywood. We have remodeled our home in various ways over the years but have never even considered changing the front exterior of the home given its beautiful architecture. We fully support making Baywood a historic district.

I am friends with Laurie Hieter. I have known her since our kids started kindergarten at Baywood in 1995. Laurie is much more knowledgeable than most about the ins and outs of making Baywood a historic district. I completely trust and agree with what Laurie is advocating about the wording of the historic preservation section of the general plan:

1. Do not remove the word "eligible" from the historic policies.
2. Add "contributors to eligible historic districts" to the definition of historic resources in Policy CD 5.3, to be consistent with how Downtown historic resources are treated and to protect historic neighborhood appearance.
3. Add the requirement to identify demolition alternatives for contributors to a historic district.
4. Protecting historic resources is an important value in San Mateo and is compatible with adding affordable housing.

Thank you,

Peggy Berlese

Best wishes,

Peggy Berlese
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