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**Subject:** General Plan Land Use and Building Heights

Dear City Council:

Please respect the San Mateo citizens who voted to limit building heights in San Mateo and reject:

- Medium II (4-6 stories allowed; 8-12 with density bonuses),
- High I (5-8 stories; 10-16 with bonuses), and
- High II (6-10 stories allowed; 12-20 with bonuses)

for both residential and mixed use designations in the General Plan Land Use section.

The General Plan and EIR should not be approved until the new density bonus law is addressed in the Land Use Element and Housing Element of the General Plan and the EIR. The new law will likely substantially increase the number of units in the City because of the increased density; therefore, it is not necessary to include 6-10 story buildings in the General Plan. Please direct staff to calculate the amount of new housing that could be created if the 100% housing density bonus is implemented in 25%, 50%, and 100% of available locations to disclose to the public what the proposed General Plan could allow with the density bonuses.

The citizens voted three times to limit height and density, and the recent survey showed little support for 10+ story buildings.

Please limit Mixed Use and Residential heights and densities to Measure Y levels given the housing density bonus laws could double the allowable heights.

Sincerely,

Laurie Hietter