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Hello, Mr. Yao,

Thank you for your dedicated service to the people of the community of Goleta. I feel the obligation to bring a matter to your attention for consideration. As we all know, we have a problem in California with inadequate affordable housing for people of lower incomes. Most of these people are long-term local residents who, for one reason or another, are unable economically to access affordable housing and, as a result, they are living in compromised conditions. You know that the State of California is mandating that cities develop more low-income housing, and that Goleta is desperately trying to hold onto their ability to control housing development by coming up with a plan to develop sufficient low-income housing, in accordance with the State mandate.

The Santa Barbara County economy is mainly supported by tourism and by agriculture. The jobs created by these enterprises are mainly low- to moderate-income jobs. Most of the housing in the county consists of apartments, shared housing with different individuals or even families living in the same house, condominiums, mobile home parks, and the like. Many of the residents consist of families in which multiple members are working at separate jobs and locations, which requires separate transportation for each person. This causes congestive parking and vehicle storage problems throughout the city of Goleta already. Look at the parking situation in areas such as the area between Hollister and the freeway in Old Town Goleta, and in areas such as Ellwood where UCSB students are concentrated.

This is also a problem in condominium projects, where only one parking spot is allotted per household. Look at the Old Mill Road area of Calle Real to see the line of jammed parking along the freeway on Calle Real. If any of these residents has such a thing as a work truck, boat on a trailer, recreational vehicle, work trailer, or similar extra vehicle, they must find a place to store it outside of where they live.

There is only one major vehicle storage in the Goleta area, located at 469 South Kellogg Way, and it is on the list to be developed into low income housing. Local residents are relying on that unit to store their vehicles. These vehicles cannot be stored where they live. There are about two hundred stored units on that property. The City of Goleta closed the only other large vehicle storage unit on Ward Drive, Above All Storage, years ago, because it was not properly permitted, but no alternate site was allowed since. Where will all of the hundreds of vehicles stored on the property at 469 South Kellogg Way be stored, if that property is made residential and low-income housing is built there? It cannot be put on the streets, and no

other storage is available in the entire area. Does this mean that residents would be required to use storage in Santa Paula or Santa Maria, or just lose their boats or RV's or work vehicles? Even the creation of more low-income housing will add to the inability of residents in these units to store their extra vehicles. It is myopic and short-sighted to think that more low-income housing can be considered without thinking about the consequences of how it will affect the greater community.

Goleta is mandated to find low-income housing sites and needs to consider all of the options, including how converting those sites will affect current occupation and utilization of those sites. If that site is approved for re-zoning, it should also be mandated to include an alternative relocation site in Goleta for all of those stored vehicles. We want to create and maintain a balanced city with consideration to all of the residents, and in doing so we can look at other factors, such as forcing UCSB to house more of its own students and limiting enrollment, so that students do not take housing for low-income workers.

Thank you for considering this vital part of our community in your planning work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James G. Rolfe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "R".

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