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I want to add my voice to whatever public comments you have heard opposing the current choices for the Goleta Housing element. Both the city of Goleta and the County of Santa Barbara are placing a ridiculous amount and density of housing in District 3 (with no representation!) and the El Encanto Heights area.

The County is targeting a golf course with ocean views as a possible affordable housing site and 1500 units, yeah right! No way those will be affordable housing, they are going to immediately become vacation rentals!

Richard Foster sent a huge 36 page argument with very well written points. The el encanot neighborhood doesn't oppose infill on some vacant lots (like kenwood village) but the density should match the existing neighborhood, not just try to fill some arbitrary housing number requirement.

Honestly, the city of Goleta should look to increase density and re-develop the center areas like old town Goleta and Fairview to match the more appropriate designs like Hollister village. I know that means nothing to @tristan and @paul since they have no idea about the city, but old town Goleta literally has "old" in the name and should be redeveloped for more density considering it's towards a city center. The current proposals are "easy" and a result of lazy planning. Not only that, but there's no transit or parking, lol. Not to mention no stores, jobs, or services nearby. The targets should really be examining things like the new fire station planned on the corner of hollister and cathedral oaks - this is really close to the vacant parking lots down by Sandpiper and maravilla.

Long story short, keep the proposals in line with the neighborhoods, and tell the county their plan is created by idiots.

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