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Subject: City of Goleta - quick question before 5pm
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Hi Tristan,

I am trying to get a letter to the City of Goleta by 5pm; sorry for the urgency.

I am Ken Alker. I own 10 vacant acres of infill in Goleta that I've had slated for development for nearly SIXTEEN years now. In July, the City did a unanimous straw vote to change zoning on my property to RH (20-30 units/acre) or almost 300 units (284 to be exact) after 16 years of trying to get it built (only because they are being "forced by the state"). After the neighbors came out and complained, the City chose to place an arbitrary cap of 190 units on the project so they could still meet the RHNA but limit the project to the minimum number of units under their RH zoning (20/acre). Mine is the ONLY parcel with this cap that is be rezoned. Now I'm stuck with 190 units (no more, no less, and no flexibility). Does the HCD see this is reasonable, or disingenuous?

If you can call to chat, I'd greatly appreciate your time. I'm at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Thank you!
Sincerely,
Ken Alker