July 28, 2016

County of Santa Clara
Planning Commission

Re: Planning Commission Meeting
   Item #4 - staff report
   File #10571 15GP-15Z-14CP

Dear Planning Commissioners;

Concerns of our community was conveyed AGAIN to

- Mr. Rob Eastwood on July 20m 2016 at the SMNA meeting and Planning Commissioner-Vice Chair Mark Rouser throughout the SMPAC meetings of 2016.
- Mr. Mark Rouser and Mr. Rob Eastwood at the SMPAC meeting July 27, 2016

Concerns of the same nature came about many years ago and the Board of Supervisors “…endorsed the preparation of a study …. and developed a set of integrated development/design guidelines to achieve the desired rural character for San Martin” known as San Martin Integrated Design Plan (SMIDP)

The proposed changes being put forth as noted above Item #4 does not integrate the SMIDP and in many ways contradicts the SMIDP.

Additionally, SMPAC minutes and records currently cannot be located and are not published along with all other committee reports and meetings on the County Website for public view.

Commissioner Mark Rouser stated on July 27, 2016 that he carefully emailed all the meeting minutes/summaries to Mr. Bill Shoe each and every time so there should be a record somewhere.

It is not appropriate that the Commission take any type of recommendation under advisement when there is such gross negligence and absence of the minutes and records for public review as well as to provide detailed input as is the purpose of the SMPAC.

If projects are continued to be reviewed under the newly changed rules/ordinances, without a doubt, there will be adverse effects on the area, some which will not be able to be remedied or reversed.

I am asking the Commission to refrain from any decisions until the Planning Department can clear up its deficiencies and SMPAC minutes have been located, properly posted to the website and time is allotted for discussion of these items further and the Board of Supervisors become aware of the issues which affect the entire county’s unincorporated areas and addresses the gross discount of the SMIDP.

Sincerely,

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