

From: Roger Bowsky
769 Lavender Lane
Templeton, Ca 93465

TO: Board of Supervisors
SLOC Planning Department

RE: Opposing Proposed Psychiatric Facility in Templeton because of TRAFFIC SAFETY AND CONGESTION on Las Tablas with new Las Tablas Village development.

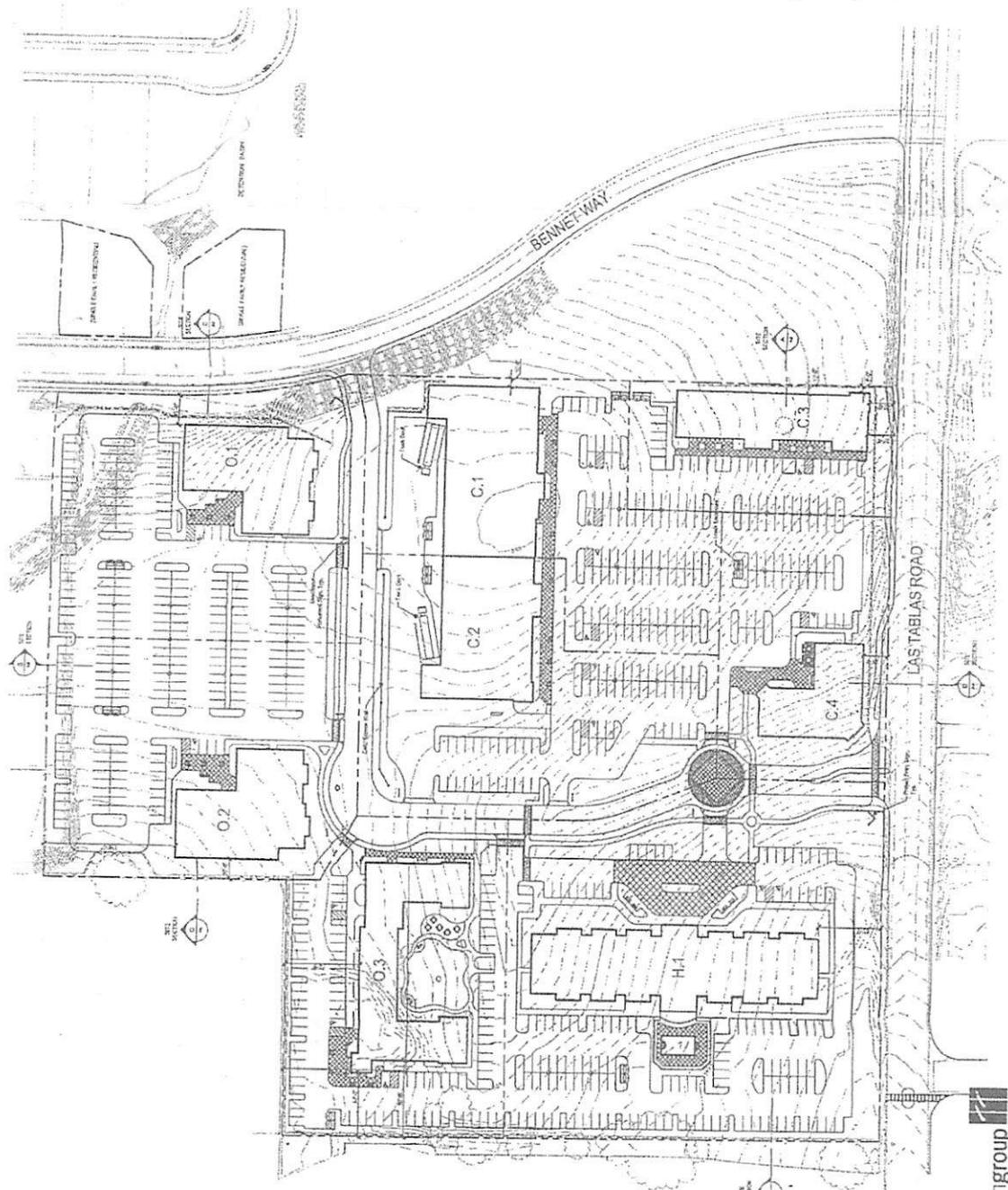


The planning department has already approved the Las Tablas Village (Las Tablas Road & Bennet Way). This development has a grocery store, pharmacy, 9 retail or restaurants spaces, 120 rooms Hotel, and three major office building. Because the traffic is going to be so heavy on Las Tablas Road, the Planning Department is restricted traffic to no left turns onto Las Tablas (going east toward the freeway). All traffic will be redirected on to a residential street (Bennet Way) that they can takes them back to Las Tablas Road so they can may a left turn. Also a second concern I have is that people will be making a right turn onto Las Tablas road and going up toward the Hospital and making U-turns. This will only add to the congestion on Las Tablas road

Also any given morning Las Tablas Road is now starting to back onto the freeway because congestion of on Las Tablas Road.

If the Psychiatric Facility has 96 patients that will add another 150+ trip up Las Tablas a day with family and support people.

I would support a 15 bed Psychiatric Facility only.



Notes

- A. GARDEN COURTS (GARDEN COURTS) SHALL BE CONSTRUCTION OF COURTYARD TYPE.
- B. PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN PERMANENT SOIL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES.
- C. MAXIMUM HEIGHT IS 45 FEET. CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY OF LAS TABLAS ZONING ORDINANCE.
- D. PROVIDE SLOPE PROTECTION AND SOIL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES.
- E. PROVIDE SLOPE PROTECTION AND SOIL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES.

Legend

- C.1 (Hatched) - Residential Medium Density
- O.1 (Dotted) - Office
- H.1 (Cross-hatched) - High Density Residential
- SEWER SYSTEM
- WATER SYSTEM
- ADJACENT PARKING
- PROPOSED DRIVE
- EXISTING DRIVE

Project Statistics

Category	Area	Area
Current Zoning Designation:	155,764 sq ft	155,764 sq ft
400-020-1-100-1 (Office Professional)	333,104 sq ft	333,104 sq ft
400-020-1-100-2 (Office General)	185,810 sq ft	185,810 sq ft
400-020-1-100-3 (Retail)	10,214 sq ft	10,214 sq ft
400-020-1-100-4 (Residential)	10,214 sq ft	10,214 sq ft
Total	649,392 sq ft	649,392 sq ft

Category	Area	Area
Proposed Land Use:	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft
400-020-1-100-1 (Office Professional)	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft
Total	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft

Category	Area	Area
Building Area:	18,900 sq ft	18,900 sq ft
400-020-1-100-1 (Office Professional)	18,900 sq ft	18,900 sq ft
Total	18,900 sq ft	18,900 sq ft

Category	Area	Area
Site Area:	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft
400-020-1-100-1 (Office Professional)	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft
Total	244,190 sq ft	244,190 sq ft

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September 25, 2012 County Resubmittal

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FOR PLANNING COMMITTEEN HEARING ON DECEMBER 10, 2015 AT 9:00 AM

Location: County Supervisors Chambers, 1055 Monterey St., SLO

Planning Commission
San Luis Obispo County
Attn.: Holly Phipps
976 Osos Street, #200-P
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Email: hhipps@co.slo.ca.us

Phone: 805-781-1162

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PLANNING & BLDG DEPT

Re: **Opposition to proposed psychiatric facility in Templeton**

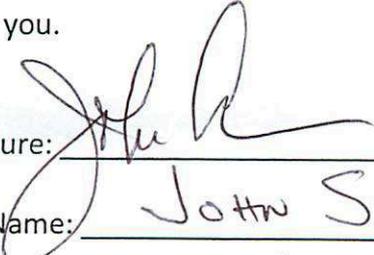
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PLEASE OPPOSE THE PROPOSED FACILITY.

Thank you.

Signature: 

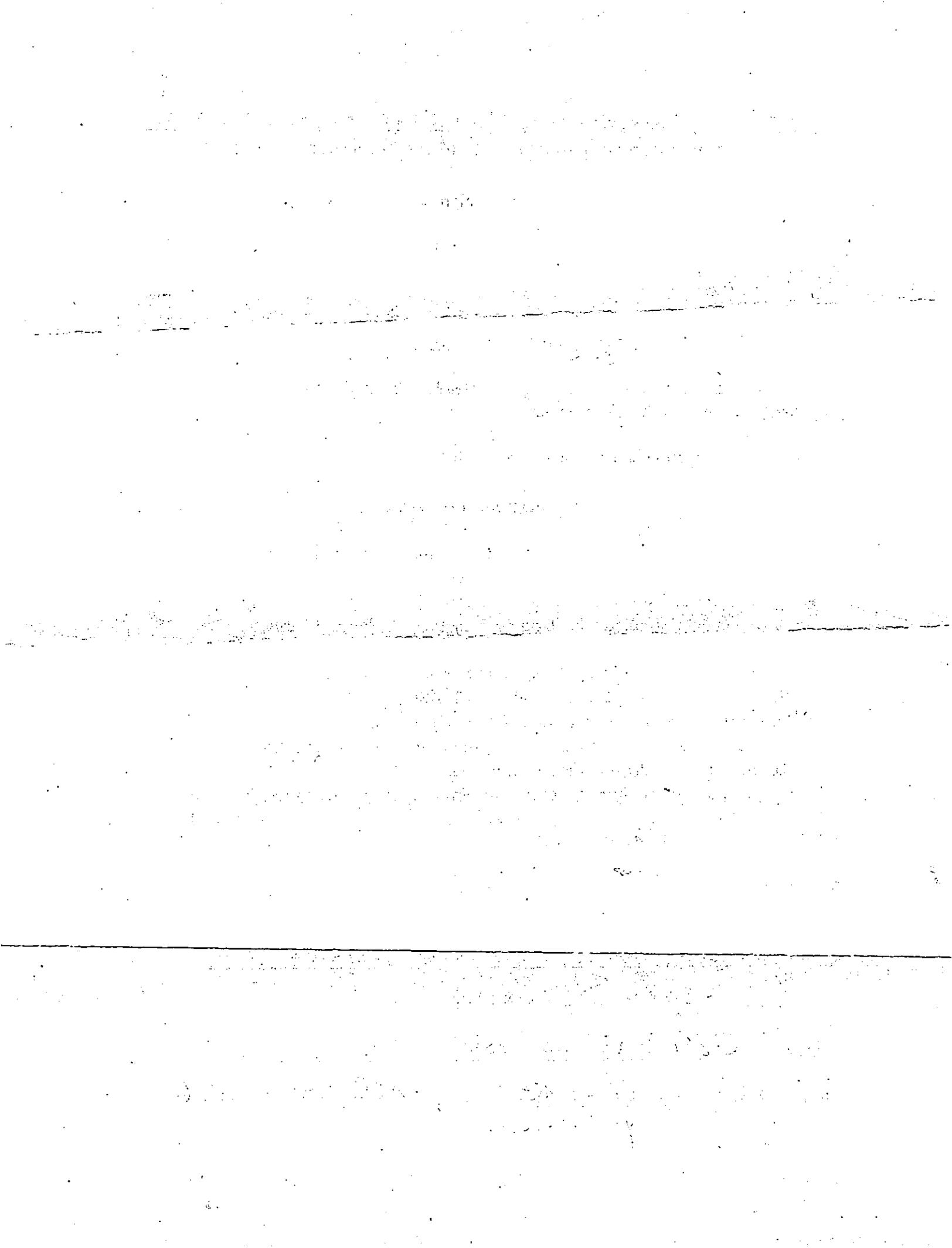
Date: 12/8/15

Print Name: John Secunda

Address: 629 Mission Lane SLO, CA 93405

Email: johnksecunda@yahoo.com

Phone: 805 544-1066



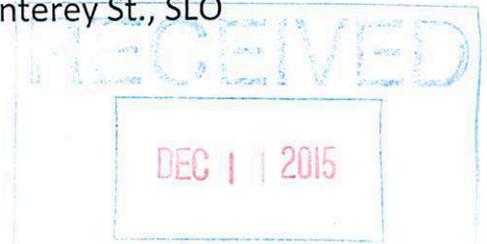
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Signature: Sherriz Hereford Date: 12-8-15

Print Name: Sherriz Hereford

Address: 845 main st Morro Bay CA 93442

Email: _____ Phone: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

PHYSICS 350

PROBLEM SET 1

Due: Monday, September 10, 2012

1. A particle of mass m moves in a circular path of radius r with constant speed v . Calculate the magnitude of the centripetal acceleration.

2. A car starts from rest and accelerates uniformly to a speed v in a time t . Calculate the distance traveled during this time.

3. A ball is thrown vertically upwards with an initial speed v_0 . Calculate the maximum height reached by the ball.

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Signature: Jennifer Eckerman Date: 12-8-15

Print Name: Jennifer Eckerman

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Email: jstrausspa@yahoo.com Phone: 805-703-0585

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

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CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT
5800 S. DICKINSON ST.
CHICAGO, ILL. 60637

TO: DR. J. H. GOLDSTEIN

FROM: DR. R. M. WAYMIRE

Dear Dr. Goldstein:

I have the pleasure to inform you that your manuscript, "The Structure of the α -Phase of Polyethylene," has been accepted for publication in the *Journal of Polymer Science*. The article will appear in the March 1964 issue of the journal.

The article is being published in the *Journal of Polymer Science*, Volume 13, Part A-2, pages 1-10. The article number is 1000.

I am sure that you will find the publication of your work in this journal a most gratifying experience. The *Journal of Polymer Science* is one of the leading journals in the field of polymer science, and your work will be read by many of your colleagues.

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Very truly yours,
R. M. Waymire
Associate Professor
Department of Chemistry
The University of Chicago
5800 S. Dickinson St.
Chicago, Illinois 60637

Submitted by: Jennifer Chalekson, Templeton, CA

AGENDA ITEM #19. Harvey Billig. December 10, 2015

I live in Templeton, about a mile from the proposed Billig psych and memory care facility. My mother in law lives down the street in the independent senior living community of Templeton Gardens. My husband has a medical office across the street. My children go to Templeton public schools. We have been active members of the community for the past 12 years and have watched Templeton grow tremendously over this time. Our schools are crowded, our bike paths are inadequate, and our traffic has gotten to the point where I witnessed road rage at Vineyard Elementary School this morning and it took me 20 minutes to drive 2 miles at rush hour yesterday morning.

Our Templeton Area Advisory Group has spent significant time researching the proposed facility to determine if it is an appropriate fit for our community. They spoke with law enforcement, fire department officials, mental health professionals, mental health facility operators, and SLO county mental health employees and ultimately voted 7-0 to not support this project at this location. They found that this is not the size, service level, or type of service needed in our community or in our county. Neither of the facilities provides adequate sized secured outdoor spaces amongst other findings. Also, TAAG suggested a greater need for our community is a properly sized senior care facility. Last year, I researched senior care facilities for my mother in law and the options in the north county were terribly limited. The middle age population is growing and facilities for having our parents close by in independent, reasonably priced living communities, such as Templeton Gardens, would be a wonderful addition to the North County. Support services for a senior population are available in Templeton as evidenced by my mother in law and her new friends, but they are not available for a psych facility.

A proposal for the facility as it stands is not based on community needs. Please consider the needs of the county and what the small community of Templeton and this small plot of land can reasonably accommodate and VOTE NO on this project as proposed.

Jennifer Chalekson



FW: Contact Us (response #2969)
Vicki Shelby to: Ramona Hedges

12/11/2015 12:59 PM

Vicki M. (Shelby) Fogleman
Legislative Assistant for
First District Supervisor Frank R. Mecham
1055 Monterey St. D430
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
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Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----- Forwarded by Vicki Shelby/BOS/COSLO on 12/11/2015 12:59:23 PM-----

----- Original Message -----

From : Tessa Cornejo/Admin/COSLO
To : Vicki Shelby/BOS/COSLO@Wings
Cc :
Sent on : 12/11 11:44:15 AM PST
Subject : Fw: Contact Us (response #2969)

Vicki,

Please see below. This item has not been forwarded to the clerk. Thank you!

----- Forwarded by Tessa Cornejo/Admin/COSLO on 12/11/2015 11:43 AM -----

From: "Internet Webmaster" <webmaster@co.slo.ca.us>
To: "BoardOfSups@co.slo.ca.us" <BoardOfSups@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 12/10/2015 04:25 PM
Subject: Contact Us (response #2969)

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Survey Information

Site:County of SLO
Page Title:Contact Us
URL:http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/bos/BOSContactUs.htm
Submission Time/Date:12/10/2015 4:24:36 PM

Survey Response

Name:
Ray Ford, L.C.S.W

Telephone Number:
805-441-1596

Email address:
familiaford@att.net

Comments or questions (8,192 characters max):
Re: Proposed Mental Health facility in Templeton

With respect to this proposal, it may behoove the county to move slowly and assure due diligence in regard to the congestion already faced on Las Tablas, the impact on schools and law enforcement, and the utility of a facility like this for county residents. I have been a mental health therapist with SLO County for fifteen years before retiring this year and was on the Mobile Crisis team for ten years. In both capacities I have seen the significant need for expansion of inpatient and outpatient treatment. The county itself has not increased in his capacity to manage the expanded CenCal and insured population's access to MH with the ACA. If a facility is needed possibly by the Sheriff Station would be best.

Dear Commission Secretary,

As a resident of Templeton, I want to weigh in regarding today's Planning meeting.

First, it is unacceptable that you are holding this meeting during typical work hours, rather than in the evening when the working citizens of Templeton can actually attend. It seems to have been planned to purposely exclude our attendance, and our protest.

This facility should NOT be built in Templeton. (There is an empty facility already built in Paso Robles, why is the former "Boys School" not being used?) The infrastructure of Templeton is not set up to support this size and type of a facility. I OPPOSE THIS PROJECT.

The Planning Commission must reject this proposed facility being placed in Templeton.

Sincerely,

Cindi Gehrung
1685 Shiloh Place
Templeton CA 93465



For Billig
Holly Phipps to: Ramona Hedges
Cc: Donna Hernandez

12/11/2015 10:07 AM

Holly Phipps, MCRP
North County & Winery Planner



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----- Forwarded by Holly Phipps/Planning/COSLO on 12/11/2015 10:07 AM -----

From: "Joy Gustafson" <joygustafson@gmail.com>
To: <hphipp@co.slo.ca.us>
Cc: <joygustafson@gmail.com>
Date: 12/10/2015 04:08 AM
Subject: FW: Mental Hospital - Dec 10th Planning Commission Hearing #19 on the docket

From: Joy Gustafson [<mailto:joygustafson@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2015 8:41 PM
To: 'Murray J. Powell'
Subject: RE: Mental Hospital - Dec 10th Planning Commission meeting

PLEASE REMOVE MY NAME FROM YOUR LIST OF SUPPORTERS! I WAS NOT INFORMED THAT BY "SIGNING IN" AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING MENT THAT I WOULD BE "SUPPORTING" YOUR OPPOSITION TO THIS PROPOSED MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY. ACCORDING TO YOUR NOTICE FOR THAT COMMUNITY MEETING IT WAS TO BE AN "INFORMATIONAL MEETING", NOT A MEETING TO SUPPORT YOUR POSITION. I FEEL IT WAS INTENTIONALLY DECEPTIVE SINCE THERE WERE SEVERAL WHO WERE EITHER CUT OFF OR NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK THEIR MIND IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED FACILITY . AS A RECIPIENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES MANY YEARS AGO, I SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHING OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT & NECESSARY FACILITY IN THIS COMMUNITY, EVEN IN "OUR BACKYARD". THERE ARE LIVES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY AT LARGE THAT WOULD BENEFIT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THIS PROPOSAL.
JOY & LEE GUSTAFSON

From: Murray J. Powell [<mailto:murray@dfrios.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 9:23 PM

To: r.bowsky@live.com; goldthom@aol.com; the osgoodfiles@gmail.com; lisaaurc@gmail.com; sherrelson@yahoo.com; rolgehrun6@hotmail.com; rcjanney@gmail.com; jobegrosjean@gmail.com; l.gregsjean@charter.net; mmg1@charter.net; jpcartland@gmail.com; joygustafson@gmail.com; monyka-kay@lie.com; jnhoopes@sbcglobal.net; nicholsoncj@charter.net; skmarquart@gmail.com; dwonline@tcsn.net; art@americanbarbell.com; lamasj@charter.net; ds3535@hotmail.com; nbelleto@hotmail.com; gretterelectric@gmail.com; lmidkiff105@gmail.com; shereesage@sbcglobal.net; cindyvanderwielen@yahoo.com; cmstead@yahoo.com; amikjones@atased.org; jonesintegrity@gmail.com; claynew44@gmail.com; Kelly@shoretekinc.com; robinisham@gmail.com; mariealise@oultook.com; pghil.j.twomey@gmail.com; jenicetwomey@gmail.com; aleet@charter.net; horse4mel@yahoo.com; rntdumont@charter.net; bruskies1@juno.com; joeiyem3884@sbcglobal.net; woneil4488@earthlink.net; gjhall@calpoly.edu; charles.kania@gmail.com; lisalkania@gmail.com; aleet@charter.net; amwilson513@gmail.com

Subject: Mental Hospital - Dec 10th Planning Commission meeting

We want to thank everyone who attended our community meeting a couple of weeks ago . A reminder that the Planning Commission hearing is set for this Thursday Dec 10th at 9AM. The hearing will be held at the County Government building in SLO on the corner of Santa Rosa and Monterey Streets.

It is important that as many people as possible show up for this hearing on Thursday . You may have seen the SLO Tribune article on Sunday that says that two hearings are scheduled on this matter with the second one set for Jan . 14. **The Tribune is wrong as usual. We have confirmed with the Planning Commission and with one of Commissioners that the only scheduled hearing is this Thursday Dec. 10th.**

We have gathered over a 1,000 petition signatures opposing this facility in Templeton . More signatures are coming in daily. Some of you took petitions to hopefully get signatures . Please contact me at this email address to let us know if we can pickup your petitions . Or you may scan and email copies to me. Please keep copies. We will use them again for the Board of Supervisors appeal hearing which is certain to happen .

Please write letters to the SLO Planning Commission voicing your position on this proposed facility. Your letters can be emailed to the commission . Try to limit your letters to one specific issue that bothers you. Below are several issues that may assist you in your letter writing . your letters need to be at the Commission by tomorrow . Email letter to these two email addresses :

['rhedges@slo.co.ca.us](mailto:rhedges@slo.co.ca.us)

['hhipps@slo.co.ca.us'](mailto:hhipps@slo.co.ca.us)

Your attendance at the Thursday hearing is very important . A large contingent voicing its opposition to this facility will definitely influence the Commission's positions on this project . You should plan to get there early to get a seat .

Murray Powell

Time is about up on getting letters written to the Planning Commission . One week to go. Here is a list of issues that I have come up with that need to addressed .

1. Total number of patients needed to fully utilize this facility and the fact that 85% - 90% of patients will come from areas outside of SLO County . I am writing on this issue.
2. Templeton Schoolne-half of the facility is designed to treat children and adolescents . That will result in 1,800 school age children a year going through the facility . EVEN THOUGH THIS IS A RIDUCULOUS NUMBER IT IS WHAT THE PROMOTERS CLAIM The Planning Dept. report erroneously states that the school district will be reimbursed by the operator (VIZION). This is false.
3. SLO Sheriffs Dept. The report erroneous states that the SLO Sheriff has no concerns regarding the facility. WRONG. A letter from the Sheriff states that this facility's operations will require additional staffing and services . The letter goes on to say that the North County Sheriff's operation is very under staffed.
4. The report concludes that the facility's operations will have no adverse effect on the community. The Planner, Holly Phipps, disclosed that the Planning Department performed no work or investigation to support their conclusions . She said that "they relied on the brief project description document provided by the Developer without any further review or investigation."
5. The developers have represented as set forth in the first few pages of the Negative Declaration document shown in Exhibit 7 of the Planning report that this will be a voluntary operation and will not accept criminally committed (5150) or other involuntary judicial committed patients . There needs to be a provision in the Use Permit restricting the operation to only voluntary patents . There are no guarantees that any of the Developer claims will be honored without Use Permit restrictions .
6. The Planning report Attachment No. 7 on page 4 of 105 states that "A patient could ask to be discharged without a doctors consent ." Voluntary "At Will" patients are free to leave at any time. If they are determined to be a possible 5150 or judicial hold individuals "The County Behavioral Health Department becomes the responsible agency" to take over such patients' care. The report fails to determine the costs of such referrals that will be incurred by the County . Demand that a determination of County costs related to such referrals to County be Health Care agencies before considering this project.
7. Discuss absence of outpatient services in Templeton and the North County area .
8. Argue the proximity to surrounding neighborhoods and the location of a new 41 home project that shares the facility's rear property line.
9. The social effect of this facility on the area may be used to argue that the facility's physical existence creates adverse economic or social effects on the community . If social effects are significant a full EIR report may be required .
10. The Templeton School District is legally obligated to provide educational services to all

school age patients at the facility . Most such patients will be from areas outside of the Templeton School District. Education services provided will not be reimbursed to the TUSD. According to the the promoters 50% of the facility is dedicated to school age patients which would be 1.8000 school age patients a year .

Letters can be mailed and/or emailed to the Commission . Mailing address is 976 Osos Street #200, San Luis Obispo CA 93408. Email address is 'rhedges@co.slo.ca.us'.

Murray

Sent from Surface

----- Forwarded by Holly Phipps/Planning/COSLO on 12/11/2015 10:07 AM -----

From: Karatasmom <karatasmom@aol.com>
To: Hhipps@co.slo.ca.us
Date: 12/10/2015 08:21 AM
Subject: Support for Templeton Behavioral Health Facility

SLO County Planning & Building Department
976 Osos Street #200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
Attn: Holly Phipps, Room 300
Hhipps@co.slo.ca.us

Dear San Luis Obispo County Planning Department Representative Phipps ,

I am writing in support of the 96-bed behavioral health hospital proposed to be built across the street from Twin Cities Hospital in Templeton . The need for such a facility in San Luis Obispo County is great, and the proposed location of this facility within a hospital/medical resource hub seems ideal . It is important that a behavioral health facility be part of a medical campus so that patient care can be integrated and coordinated for optimal treatment results of the whole person .

With one in four persons expected to experience a mental health diagnosis in their lifetime and one in 12 children, the need for behavioral health care for families in crisis is imperative. Our local County Mental Health facility has had to send hundreds of patients out of county for treatment for lack of beds here . There is no facility in San Luis Obispo County that can provide several weeks of intense in patient behavioral therapy to family members in crisis. The closest facility for adolescents is in Ventura . Children often must go to UCLA Neuro-psychiatric Hospital for treatment, creating a huge burden for our local families who must be part of the treatment and exit plans . This past February, 2015, my 17 year old daughter tried to overdose twice in 5 days. She was sent via ambulance to the nearest behavioral health facilityin Ventura.

Imagine how scared her father and I were knowing our baby was so 'broken' that she felt her only escape was to end her life and then imagine how scared we were watching our baby be taken by ambulance to Ventura where she was admitted and stayed for 6 days. Imagine how scared our daughter was. We were not able to take advantage of visiting hours because the facility was clearly too far to travel to on a daily basis. This left our scared 17 year old daughter feeling like we had abandoned her and didn't care. My daughter has major depressive disorder, borderline personality disorder and possible bi-polar disorder. She is basically scared of the world. She wouldn't hurt anybody or anything....except herself. She will have scars for the rest of her life on the inside of her arm and on her thighs from cutting herself in an attempt to distract herself from the emotional and psychological pain she feels on a daily basis. She thinks the world is evil and that everyone is out to get her. She was fine through 7th grade; very outgoing and social. But in 8th grade became withdrawn and would hide in the bathroom stalls at school on breaks and at lunch to avoid having to interact with the other kids. She has terrible anxiety/panic attacks when having to interact with people. If you met her and observed her, you would just think she was quiet and withdrawn. My daughter is an example of what the majority of people with mental illness are really like. Unfortunately, the stigma associated with mental illness is based on the remaining percentage of people with mental illness.

This is an opportunity that our county can not pass up to provide much needed services to under-served children, adolescents and seniors who need immediate mental health care in our county. The property is zoned for this use. The owners are willing to build the facility. Please help in any way you can to bring this much needed facility to our families and loved ones.

Sincerely,
Marjorie Senechal
8585 El Dorado Road
Atascadero, Ca. 93422

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From: Dawn Carpenter <dawnbcarpenter@live.com>
To: "hhipps@co.slo.ca.us" <hhipps@co.slo.ca.us>
Date: 12/10/2015 09:56 AM
Subject: Psychiatric Facility in Templeton, California

Dear H. Phipps:

This is a short message to you albeit on the day of the hearing with the San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors regarding the proposed psychiatric facility in Templeton, California.

As with most of what is going on in the nation at this time, many people are walking and thinking in a state of fear. The false perceptions that a psychiatric facility is another one of those states of fear. It is my understanding from what I have read is that many opponents believe that the doors are going to release dangerous mental health individuals to roam the

streets who are generally homeless . That has already been done through the Reagan administration where President Reagan shut down many mental health facilities and literally just had the patients leave through the door with no transition plan . Those patients are already on the street without their proper medications . The proposed psychiatric facility is a different facility altogether .

My personal story is that when my daughter was 16 years old she attempted suicide and to my relief it was an unsuccessful attempt . She had already been into cutting silently . She had just begun counseling when this occurred . She and I immediately made an appointment with her counselor who recommended she be admitted to psychiatric facility so that she could have 24 hour supervision. I and her father had to drive to Ventura to admit her since that was the closest facility. For the next 10 days until she was released, I, or her father, had to drive 3 hours each way in order to visit her . A psychiatric facility in the area, i.e. Templeton, would have relieved us of the 6 hour drive let alone the emotional distance it caused . We did not have any further contact with her mental health care providers in Ventura ; whereby, if the facility was local, there would have been a more cohesive transition and communication .

Mental illness is a health issue that is very quiet in our San Luis Obispo County community ; therefore, most misunderstood. It is only felt when you are touched by someone with a mental illness, which there are plenty in San Luis Obispo . Please, please considered the positive aspects of the new facility and not the misunderstood negative aspects .

Sincerely,

Dawn Carpenter
Templeton Resident

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From: Debbie Arnold/BOS/COSLO
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