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Tammy Cloud-McMinn

From:

michael ajdour <michaelajd@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 4:53 PM

To:

City Clerk; Melanie Burkholder; Keith Blackburn; Teresa Acosta

Subject:

One more Windsor Pointe question in anticipation of March 12 meeting

Dear Mayor & Council,

I thought of one more question about Windsor Pointe as I am sitting in my car waiting for today's deluge to slow down. It was part of the original No Place Like Home funding agreement that if a resident of Windsor Pointe went to jail, their apartment would be held for that person for up to 90 days.

Please have staff find out how many times apartments have been held empty like that for any length of time. Do you like thinking of a noncriminal homeless person out in today's pouring rain because of the way management set priority? I don't.

Thank you, Julie Ajdour

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

ann welton <annie13035@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 10:30 AM

To:

City Clerk; Melanie Burkholder

Subject:

Please save our community

Dear Carlsbad City Council

PLEASE vote to save our beautiful beachside community of Carlsbad from the huge influx of homeless, drug addicts and everything else that is now living in Windsor Point. We are all very much aware, no secrets here, rapidly ruining our town. I want to preserve our beach community and PLEASE send this project packing. Our tax dollars can be spent much more wisely, please. We voted for YOU to do exactly that, and you are not, with this project.

Ann Welton Daylily Drive, Carlsbad

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 10:54 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Point

From: Stacey Boyer <staceylboyer@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 9:01 AM

To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>; Melanie Burkholder <melanie.burkholder@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Point

Dear Council,

As a resident and property owner of the village of Carlsbad I would like to make my concerns known regarding the Windsor Point housing facility. From its inception this has clearly been a failure. To place mentally and morally challenged individuals RIGHT ACROSS from a park where children play games and sports everyday is, at best, a bad idea and more accurately a complete disregard for children's safety. Yes, everyday that playground is busy, I take my grandkids there. Or, at least, I used to, now the loitering and stares have gotten so bad we cannot take them anymore. What a waste of a nice facility intended for children. What if a child has to go to the bathroom and parents decide that HE/SHE is old enough to go alone? Just a thought of how this arrangement could go tragically wrong. The repeated first responder calls to the address tell you the story that this is not a stable situation.

One commenter brought up the question, "Well yes it's a bad idea but where else would you put them?" To that I say, ANYWHERE not near children. Our duty to innocent children supersedes any obligation to house criminally unstable individuals. Children first, then worry about the next step. I know that sounds glib but it is not. There are places in the county NOT across from parks and down the street from schools that can and should be considered.

Please, I implore you to hear the voices of your constituents.

Best regards,

Stacey Boyer Dre#10491648 760-419-7480

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 10:54 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: What's the point

----Original Message----

From: Carl Gehring < cwgehring 78@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 9:39 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: What's the point

Dear council members as usual the failure to oversite your spending our hard owned money in this pointe project just shows how badly you govern our beautiful city wake up politicians The time is fast approaching your relection I say good by to all nitwits let's elect real common sense people who are going to get the job done

Carl Gehring

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 1:53 PM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe

From: Andrea Ryon <aryon58@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 1:32 PM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Pointe

To all Carlsbad City Council members;

As nearly 40-year residents of Carlsbad, my husband and I are concerned about the situation at the Windsor Pointe housing facility. We understand that crime and drug use is rampant and that Carlsbad Fire and Police resources are called frequently.

We supported the facility to house Veterans, yet now it is open to other groups. Why are our tax dollars being used for a population allowed to live there who continually violate our laws?

We request the Carlsbad City Council address this issue immediately. We understand Windsor Place is part of the Housing First Law's "No Place like Home" program which appears to be a complete disaster.

Thank you.

Roger and Andrea Ryon

From:

nikicoates@gmail.com

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 2:12 PM

To:

City Clerk; melanieburkholder@carlsbadca.gov

Cc:

nikicoates@gmail.com

Subject:

Windsor Pointe

Dear Carlsbad City Council

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I want to preserve our beach community and send this project packing.

Niki Coates 7208 Lantana Terrace Carlsbad, CA 92011 760-522-5307

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 2:22 PM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe

From: Niki Coates < nikicoates@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 1:56 PM

To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>; melanieburkholder@carlsbadca.gov

Subject: Windsor Pointe

We want to preserve our beach community and send Windsor Pointe project packing. Our city is being destroyed by this project. Please rid us of Windsor Pointe.

Niki Coates

7208 Lantana Terrace

Carlsbad, CA 92011

760-522-5307

Sent from Mail for Windows

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 4:33 PM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Item agenda #9

----Original Message-----

From: Stacey Boyer <staceylboyer@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 3:41 PM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadCA.gov>

Subject: Item agenda #9

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- > Stacey Boyer
- > Dre#10491648
- > 760-419-7480

From:

McDonald, Courtney A < Courtney A. McDonald@sdcounty.ca.gov>

Sent:

Friday, March 8, 2024 6:13 PM

To:

Manager Internet Email; Council Internet Email; Keith Blackburn; Priya Bhat-Patel;

Melanie Burkholder; Carolyn Luna; Teresa Acosta; City Clerk

Cc:

Smith, Caroline; McDonald, Eric

Subject:

Item 9 Windsor Pointe Communication - County of San Diego, Health and Human

Services Agency

Attachments:

Item 9 County of San Diego HHSA Memo.pdf

Good evening,

Please find attached communication from the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency in response to Item #9 - UPDATE ON AFFIRMED HOUSING'S WINDSOR POINTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT AND POTENTIAL ACTIONS TO ADDRESS CONCERNS.

Respectfully, **Courtney McDonald**, Chief of Staff

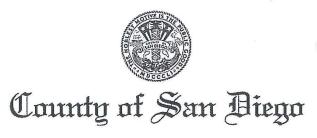
County of San Diego Health & Human Services Agency

Agency Executive Office

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ERIC C. MCDONALD, MD, MPH, FACEP
INTERIM AGENCY DIRECTOR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY 1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, ROOM 206, MAIL STOP P-501 SAN DIEGO, CA 92101-2417 (619) 515-6555 • FAX (619) 515-6556

PATTY KAY DANON CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

March 8, 2024

TO:

Mayor Keith Blackburn

Mayor Pro Tem Priya Bhat-Patel Council Member Melanie Burkholder Council Member Carolyn Luna Council Member Teresa Acosta

City Manager Scott Chadwick

FROM:

Eric C. McDonald, MD, Interim Agency Director

Health and Human Services Agency

ITEM #9 - WINDSOR POINTE NO PLACE LIKE HOME PROGRAM

The No Place Like Home Program (NPLH) was created to develop permanent supportive housing for individuals in need of mental health services and who are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or are at-risk of chronic homelessness. All developments funded by NPLH are designed to maintain a safe environment for tenants that reside there.

Individuals who are experiencing homelessness and have a serious mental illness diagnosis are linked to NPLH units via the Coordinated Entry System (CES). The CES is an evidence-based strategy that focuses on housing and service coordination designed to link individuals or families experiencing homelessness to the most appropriate housing solution based on their needs. In San Diego County, the administrator for CES is the Regional Task Force on Homelessness (RTFH).

In addition to case management services provided by Interfaith Community Services (ICS), NPLH tenants at Windsor Pointe have access to Tenant Peer Support Services (TPSS) funded by County Behavioral Health Services. TPSS actively engages tenants and helps them connect with outpatient clinic services, strength-based case management, and assertive community treatment on an ongoing basis. The TPSS team provides onsite support at Windsor Pointe from Monday to Friday, between 11am to 3pm, and is available on an as-needed basis outside of these hours. The services provided by TPSS are focused on housing supports for people experiencing homelessness, or at risk of homelessness, with behavioral health conditions. TPSS connects NPLH residents to community services based on their specific needs.

TPSS offers several services, including case management, peer support activities, and care coordination. These services can include referrals to mental health care, peer support groups, substance use services, physical health care, access to routine and preventive health and dental care, medication management, and wellness services. Participation in services is not required for permanent housing tenancy, as per Housing First best practices.

ICS is funded by Affirmed Housing and is available on-site Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm. Through case management, ICS supports the basic needs, physical and mental health, socialization needs, and employment of all tenants. Onsite peer support specialists coordinate community activities to encourage positive interactions among residents.

In addition, regular service coordination meetings specific to Windsor Pointe take place between Behavioral Health Services (BHS), Housing and Community Development (HCDS), City of Carlsbad, Affirmed Housing, and CONAM property management. The Psychiatric Emergency Response Teams and the Mobile Crisis Response Teams are available 24/7 to support those experiencing a behavioral health crisis.

We understand that there have been concerns about law enforcement calls to Windsor Pointe. The Health and Human Services Agency welcomes the opportunity to continue to engage with the Carlsbad Police Department and City leaders to better understand data specific to NPLH residents. We will continue to support collaborative solutions to ensure the safety of tenants and the community, such as the recent approval of an additional security guard.

For any questions, please contact me via phone at (619) 515-6545 or email at Eric.Mcdonald@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Respectfully,

C:

ERIC C. MCDONALD, MD, MPH, FACEP

Interim Agency Director

Health and Human Services Agency

Sarah E. Aghassi, Interim Chief Administrative Officer

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From:

kelly.leberthon12@gmail.com

Sent:

Sunday, March 10, 2024 9:36 AM

To:

Council Internet Email; City Clerk

Subject:

Agenda 9, Windsor Pointe, March 12

Journalist Steve Puterski writes about Windsor Pointe, "Last year, CPD Chief Mickey Williams and Homeless Services Director Mandy Mills each sent Affirmed a letter outlining 19 serious criminal acts or individuals under suspicion of such residing or frequenting residences. He detailed 19 calls from Jan. 1-Aug. 4, which range from arresting a non-resident for violating a restraining order by an attempted murder suspect (twice), burglary at the facility, non-residents arrested for narcotics, child abuse at the facility, theft from a residence, domestic violence at an apartment, child sex abuse at the facility and drug sales to name a few."

I join with former City Councilman Mark Packard and demand Windsor Pointe be declared a public nuisance and be shut down.

Thank you,

Kelly Le Berthon

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 7:35 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor

From: jacqueline Barnhill <lasbonitas@yahoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, March 9, 2024 6:04 PM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor

To whom it may concern,

Please address the issues in agenda #9. I respectfully request that this type of housing be removed from the area. My main goal is to protect children in the community. Thank you

Sincerely, Jacqueline Barnhill

PS the only flag that should be flown over a public building is the USA flag. Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 7:35 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe

----Original Message-----

From: Mary Huber <marymurphyhuber@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 8:10 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Cc: Mary Huber <crwfevents@gmail.com>

Subject: Windsor Pointe

Windsor Pointe is a public nuisance and should be shut down! We are wasting tax dollars on providing this facility to drug abusers and criminals. There should be RULES and testing to live there. It's important to provide housing for those that deserve it and can prove their value to our community.

Thank you, Mary Huber Concerned Carlsbad Resident

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 7:37 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Agenda Item 9 - March 12, 2024 - Windsor Pointe

From: Tony Bona <tonybonafide@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 9:42 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>; mdc curranlawoffices.com < mdc@curranlawoffices.com>; Erik

Jenkins <ejenkins@jenkinslawfirmapc.com>

Subject: Agenda Item 9 - March 12, 2024 - Windsor Pointe

******** Please include this correspondence to agenda packet **********

Council and Staff -

Information spreads rapidly in a close-knit community like ours, especially when the disruption caused by Windsor Pointe is at the forefront of discussions. The prevailing sentiment I've heard suggests that certain city staff and council members, specifically Mr. Blackburn and Dr. Bhat-Patel, feel they were misled regarding Windsor Pointe.

If there is even a hint of truth to these sentiments, I implore Mr. Blackburn, Dr. Bhat-Patel, and the staff to put an end to the confusion. It's essential to recall that you were all thoroughly briefed on the individuals who would be housed at Windsor Pointe well in advance of the council meeting on January 28, 2020. Mayor Blackburn himself posed a direct question about Serious Mental Illness (SMI) during that meeting and appeared content with the responses provided. Curiously, Dr. Priya Bhat Patel, a self-proclaimed "public health professional" who has dedicated her career to public service, did not contribute further with detailed questions or opinions.

In light of her professional background, it is reasonable for us, as constituents, to expect Dr. Bhat-Patel to exercise due diligence and offer valuable insights. The absence of such engagement raises questions about the accountability in our representation. Dr. Bhat-Patel's sole expression of support for the No Place Like Home organization—expressing anticipation for the partnership—is insufficient given the gravity of the matter at hand. It is imperative for our community to have thorough and informed input from all stakeholders to ensure a fair and just resolution to the issues surrounding Windsor Pointe.

In my perspective, the most glaring deception being propagated revolves around the assertion that a facility like Windsor Pointe is appropriately zoned. Contrary to this claim, the evidence suggests otherwise. Indeed, a thorough examination of the agenda packet for this meeting reveals inconsistencies within the city of Carlsbad's own statements on the matter.

On page 9:

The City of Carlsbad did not select the sites. Under California state law and the City of Carlsbad zoning ordinance, supportive housing that assists groups like veterans and disabled persons is a residential use, and not a business or commercial use. Such housing must be treated the same way as any housing under the city's land-use and zoning rules.

The other half of the apartments are designated for No Place Like Home-eligible applicants. These are adults with serious mental illness, children with severe emotional disorders and their families and people who require or are at risk of requiring acute psychiatric inpatient care, residential treatment, or outpatient crisis intervention because of a mental disorder with symptoms of psychosis, suicidality or violence and who are homeless, chronically homeless, or at risk of chronic homelessness.

These descriptors do not align with a simple residence for individuals with disabilities; rather, they paint a picture of an institution akin to an asylum. It is crucial to clarify that this establishment is a medical facility and, therefore, inappropriate for placement within a residential area. Employing the analogy, if it walks and quacks like a duck, it is likely a duck, regardless of any assertions made to the contrary. Our concerns are grounded in substantial documentation that supports the argument against this facility's compatibility with a residential setting. Should the need arise, we are prepared to present this evidence in the future. The intention is not to foster confrontation but rather to ensure a thorough understanding of the situation and to advocate for a more suitable location that aligns with the character of our community.

Under CA. Land use:

Cities must allow health facilities for both inpatient and outpatient psychiatric care and treatment in any area <u>zoned for hospitals or nursing homes</u>, or in which hospitals and nursing homes are permitted with a conditional use permit.

"Health facilities" include residential care facilities for mentally ill persons. This means that if a zoning ordinance permits hospitals or nursing homes in an area, it must also permit all types of mental health facilities, regardless of the number of patients or residents. This is important because most cities are supportive of hospitals and nursing zones and may allow them in areas where they would normally not wish to allow large facilities for the mentally ill.

While I understand that it is crucial to prioritize the rights and well-being of individuals struggling with mental health challenges, there are legitimate concerns about the impact such housing has had on the broader community, particularly in residential settings with vulnerable populations such as children and the elderly.

One primary concern revolves around safety and the potential for disturbances that have arisen from the unpredictable nature of certain mental health conditions. We have had over 750 calls for service in a short amount of time. Residential areas with children and the elderly seek a peaceful and secure environment, and introducing housing for individuals with severe mental illness has posed challenges in maintaining that atmosphere. Instances of violent disruptive behavior and incidents related to violent mental health crises have created an unsettling environment for nearby residents and have caused irreparable anxiety and fear.

Additionally, there is a concern for the well-being of both the residents with mental illness and the surrounding community. As we have seen individuals with severe mental illness require specialized care and support services that are better provided in settings designed to address their unique needs. Placing such housing in residential areas does not

offer the resources and infrastructure required for the proper care and supervision of individuals with complex mental health conditions that we witness multiple times a day.

In conclusion, I want to emphasize that I stand united with my neighbors in this ongoing struggle. Throughout this ordeal, we have displayed patience and kindness towards the council and staff, despite feeling that our rights have been disregarded. I firmly believe in the intelligence of my community; we critically assess information and remain resilient in the face of adversity.

It is essential for those in positions of authority to recognize the genuine concerns of our community. We are not oblivious to the need for progress, but we seek a resolution that respects our collective rights and well-being. In the spirit of constructive dialogue, I urge the council to reconsider the decisions that have led us to this point.

Our community has already demonstrated its commitment to change by gathering over four thousand signatures for the removal of one council member. We hope it doesn't come to that again, but we are prepared to take necessary actions to rectify what we perceive as a violation of our community's values.

Therefore, we are requesting the Windsor Pointe facility to be either shut down or relocated within the next thirty days. Litigation is not a path we want to tread, as it tends to unveil unpleasant truths during the discovery and interrogatory processes. Instead, I implore the council to acknowledge any missteps, rectify the situation, and allow our community to heal and move forward harmoniously. It is never too late to correct a mistake and forge a better path for all involved.

I look to Council Member Burkholder to craft a plan of "Public Safety first" like our innovative neighbors in Escondido have done.

Sincerely,

Anthony Bona

Cc: Erik Jenkins / Jenkins Law Firm APC Michael Curran / Curran and Curran Law

Thank you,

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 7:38 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe "be declared a public nuisance and be shut down.

From: Krisha Markowicz < krisha 2700@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 11:32 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Pointe "be declared a public nuisance and be shut down.

City council members-

The city's first job is to make our neighborhoods safe.

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As a Carlsbad resident I want you declared Windsor Pointe a public nuisance and be shut down.

Krisha Wolter District 2

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 7:38 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Agenda Item 9

From: Christine Smoczynski <chris enhls@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 12:19 PM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Agenda Item 9

It has come to my attention Windsor Point

has become a danger to our Carlsbad Community of which I am a resident. It must be shut down for the safety of our residents and those who presently reside there. See below for more info;

City staff is reporting that the Carlsbad Police Department has had a record number of calls for service related to Windsor Pointe since its opening in spring 2022. The data cited by staff included the following:

- 14.5% of residents (seven of 48) account for over half the calls for service (53%, or 401).
- 44% of the calls for service related to individuals requesting mental health support or a welfare check...
- 2.5% of the calls for service resulted in arrests, and 42% of the people who were arrested (eight out of 19) were guests, not residents, of Windsor Pointe.
- 2.7% of calls related to domestic violence...
- There have been four drug-related arrests.

There have been 762 calls for service total..." p. 294 Council Agenda

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A very concerned Carlsbad resident, Christine Smoczynski Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sheila Cobian

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 8:44 AM

To:

City Clerk

Cc:

Tammy Cloud-McMinn; Ana Alarcon

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe

Attachments:

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Stanford Memorial Church.pdf

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Please include in correspondence distribution today.

From: Keith Blackburn < Keith.Blackburn@carlsbadca.gov >

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 11:07 AM

To: Scott Chadwick < Scott.Chadwick@carlsbadca.gov >

Subject: Fwd: Windsor Pointe

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From: THOMAS POWERS < blkmtn56@att.net > Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2024 10:21:22 AM

To: Keith Blackburn < keith.blackburn@carlsbadca.gov >

Subject: Windsor Pointe

Good morning Keith,

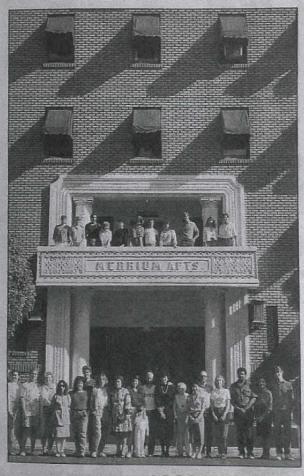
I live in the shadow of Serrano and for 23 years I have fought with the city to rein in the bad element, to no avail. 20 years ago I had a meeting with Debbie Fountain about putting affordable artist lofts in the Barrio, at the time we were losing our artists because of the high rents. I based my project on the "Merrium Apartments" (Sacramento). When I became the Merrium manager in 1986, it was very much like Windsor Pointe. I did 16 evictions in 6 months and filled it with young professionals and artists. I had just finished renovating it when the City decided to tear it down. So I took on the city and cost them over \$25 million.

I can easily fix your Windsor Pointe issue and I have the perfect manager for the job. I can have it turned around in a year. You won't let me serve on a commission so this will be my way to serve the Community. Here are some attachments about my Merrium Days. Check two urban revitalization projects I create, one is the "19th or 20th Street Art Corridor" and the other is the "R' Street Art Corridor" in Sacramento. Contact CADA (Capitol Area Development Authority) and they can give you the details. Talk to Cher.

Tom Powers

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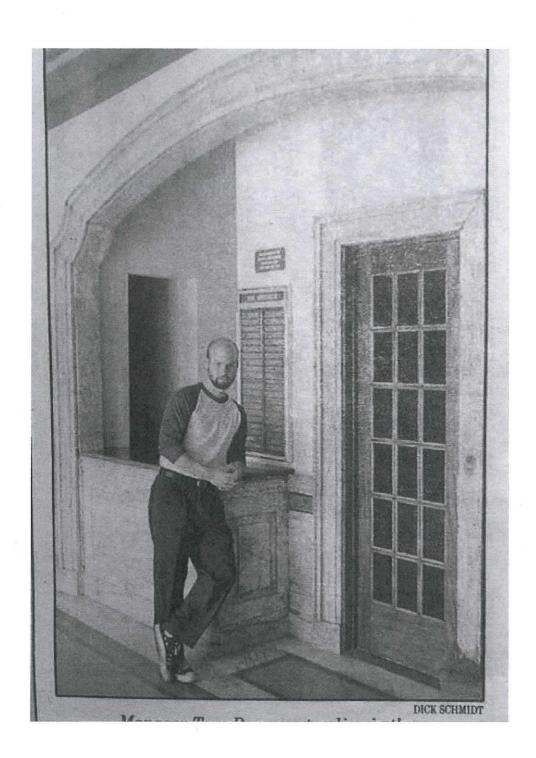
The Merrium's Last Stand



It's an urban planner's dream come true—
a renovated apartment building where 46 tenants turn the ideal of a mixed-use, 24-hour downtown into a reality. So why does the city want to tear it down?

PIUS

Mark Twain: Excerpts from the book he never wanted published



BOB SYLVA

laky croissants have done more for the moral revival of downtown Sacramento than any number of high-rolling widget salesmen with their plastic name-tags and hospitality suites at the Holiday Inn.

In August of 1981, a venturesome geneticist named Trong Nguyen opened La Boulangerie on the bleak corner of 14th and J streets. The shop boasted fetching blue and white tile, French roast coffee, and a variety of freshly baked croissants. It's safe to say that up until then most people in Sacramento didn't know what a croissant was, much less how to properly pronounce it with flaring nasal affectation

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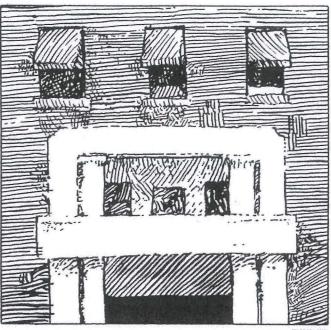
With its equivalent of imported doughnuts, La Boulangerie gave rise to a curious trend: People from all over actually ventured downtown to savor croissants and coffee. The migration of live, washed bodies was most discernible on weekends, when the area heretofore had most closely resembled the aftermath of a neutron bomb. Ultimately, the amazing success of La Boulangerie prompted a spate of croissant clones and further encouraged

the revival of small pockets of the city's urban core from derelict storefronts to cute boutiques.

Today, the city of Sacramento, citing lost potential revenue with its current, limited-sized facility, and the economic appeal of the tourist dollar, plans on installing a \$40-million, 100,000-square-foot convention center expansion on the block anchored by La Boulangerie. The project would demolish most everything on the block. Perhaps fearing the wrath of God, the city granted a dispensation for venerable St. Paul's Episcopal Church at the corner of 15th and J.

It's been observed before that this particular block, bounded by 14th and 15th, J and K— along with La Boulangerie, retail outlets include a popular bookstore, an ice-cream parlor, a gourmet chocolate shop, a camera store, a bar and cafe, a haircutting salon, a small professional office, and a five-story apartment house— is the only block in the entirety of Sacramento's downtown that really "works." Furthermore, it

Cutting out the core of Sacramento



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exemplifies the kind of frothy heterogeneity that urban planners have long advocated for the area's eventual, if ever, revitalization. Indeed, one would have to travel some distance up to midtown to find another block of equal allure and urbanity.

Given the greater, albeit dubious, benefit of attracting more convention dollars to Sacramento, the razing of La Boulangerie appears a small price to pay. It can always move to another location. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for many of the other enterprises on the block — most noticeably the Merrium Apartments. Its destruction would be a regrettable loss, of both a piece of local history and a landmark of rare architectural grace.

The Merrium Apartments, at 1017 14th St., were built in 1912 by prominent attorney Chauncey H. Dunn and named in honor of his wife. For its time, the 42-unit apartment house featured some big-city amenities, including a basement icehouse, a down-

switchboard, and two elevators. It was once a prestigious address. But it's the building's stately exterior, designed by local architect Frederick Harrison, that continues to impress. Inspired by Louis Sullivan, the Merrium is composed of an intricate tan brick facade, with a twin-columned entry and a spacious marbled lobby. Most noteworthy is the structure's awesome projecting cornice of terra cotta embellished with typically Sullivanesque ornament. Next to the gray-slab convention center, the Merrium appears almost impos-

The building's architectural novelty aside, its overriding value is in furnishing smart housing for people who want to participate in that adventure known as the "24-hour city." Conventioneers, by definition and thankfully, come and go. With its character and charm, the well-maintained Merrium attracts precisely the kind of resident of whom the city is in such short supply: the young, ambitious, and employed. One such tenant is Carmen Vataloro, 35, manager of Le Grand Confectionery, a pricey chocolate shop a few doors down from La Boulangerie.

Vataloro finds herself facing the grim prospect of losing both her apartment and her place of employment. She is understandably disturbed. "My life was just getting going here," says Vataloro of her new job and her \$340-a-month apartment, which has oak floors and brass fixtures. "And I feel like I have a home for the first time. If there's a fight to be had, I'll fight for this building. This is a part of Sacramento's history."

Then there's the perspective of Sacramento artist Pat Mahony, who has gained considerable repute for her numerous, creamy canvases of the Merrium Apartments. "The building was a breakthrough for me," Mahony has said. "It's been an unending source of inspiration. I never tire of it. I've come to love its patterns, its repetitions, the shadows cast by the awnings on its facade. I have painted that building for a good five years, in all light and weather conditions. I could paint that building with my eyes closed." That, alas, may prove a fortunate stroke.

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Building facules are Sucramenta artist Put Mahony's specialty, and the Merrium is her favorile subject. She tilled this portrait "Don't Cry for Me."

SACRAMENTO OLD CITY ASSOCIATION

April 5, 2011

The Honorable Edmund Gerald "Jerry" Brown Jr. Governor, State of California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Letter of Recommendation, Thomas Mark Powers

Dear Governor Brown,

I strongly urge that you appoint Thomas Mark Powers as your new Director of the California Arts Council.

Tom and I have known each other since the late 1980s when I was Planning Chair for the longstanding local historic preservation organization, the Sacramento Old City Association. He was the key preservation advocate fighting first for the National Register apartment building at 14th and K Streets, the Merrium Apartments, and then later for replacement housing projects (artist lofts) in the midtown of Sacramento. Back in the 1980s, citizen advocacy for historic preservation and in-fill housing was in its infancy. He, early on, saw the need to encourage increased residency downtown in order to create that critical mass of people needed to support and advance the arts in Sacramento.

He is also a strong advocate for the expansion of the role of arts in the schools while promoting the use of cutting-edge communication techniques and information technologies to facilitate that expansion.

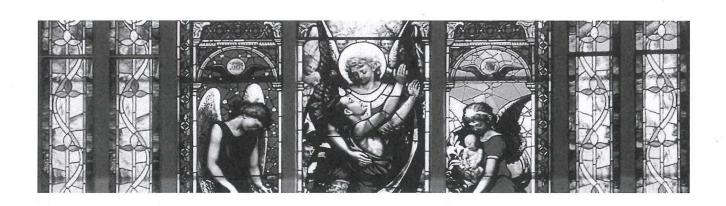
Tom is a unique individual. He has the uncanny ability to solve 'unsolvable' problems via 'outside the box' approaches. He is just a resourceful person whose energy, ability and passion have spawned everything from artist loft developments to school programs in the arts.

In summary, I have found Tom Powers, basically through his tireless efforts to preserve many of the old buildings of Sacramento, to be a zealous, hardworking artist who exhibits tremendous commitment to personal causes. That commitment to date has resulted in the revitalization of downtown Sacramento. That is no small achievement.

If he should ever commit such energy and devotion to directing the California Arts Council, then I harbor no doubt he will be a tremendous asset to advancing the Arts in our State. I hope you will give him the opportunity to be interviewed by your selection committee so they can also, first hand, get to experience his creativity and passion for this important public assignment.

Yours truly,

Dennis Neufeld Treasurer Sacramento Old City Association (916) 446-1054



The 5G Powershaus at Stanford Memorial Church

In December of 1987, I launched the downtown Sacramento preservation movement with a Gladding, McBean terra cotta presentation. It was intended to inculcate Sacramento's architectural and development community in the myriad of ways terra cotta and architectural ornamentation could be used to aesthetically enhance their structures (Gladding, McBean created all of the terra cotta ornamentation at Stanford University).

The Gladding, McBean speaker also showed how to create building designs which projected a more harmonious coexistence with older existing structures and methods of cost-effectively ornamenting tilt-up concrete slab buildings. I then conducted a walking tour of historical buildings located around Capitol Park. Our first stop on the tour was the Leland Stanford Mansion which had recently been turned over to the State of California (CADA). I sat on the CADA committee that oversaw the transfer of the Leland Stanford Mansion to the State. My next stop on the tour was the Merrium Apartments, a circa 1912 National Register building designed by an Arts & Crafts' colleague of Greene and Greene and Julia Morgan (Clarence Cuff). It also had a terra cotta façade fabricated by Gladding, McBean.



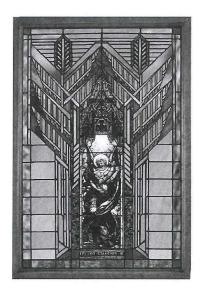


At the time, I was the manager of the Merrium Apartments and had recently completed a two-year restoration of the building. I had just finished the Merrium restoration when the City of Sacramento decided to tear it down in order to expand the Convention Center. Also, in jeopardy was Leland Stanford's Sacramento church (St. Paul's Episcopal Church) which sat caddie-corner to the Merrium. In the end, I was only able to save the architectural elements from the Merrium which were incorporated into a new tilt-up concrete CADA apartment building (the first cyber apartment building in Sacramento) which won the *Governor's Award* for best design in 1995. I was also successful in saving St. Paul's Episcopal Church from demolition.

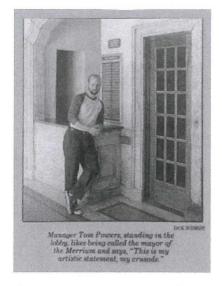
The tour ended with a 75th anniversary party for the Merrium at St Paul's. The centerpiece of the church's interior is the Leland Stanford Jr. Memorial stained glass window, which was commissioned by Jane Stanford upon the death of her son in 1884. It is the first memorial to Leland Stanford Jr.







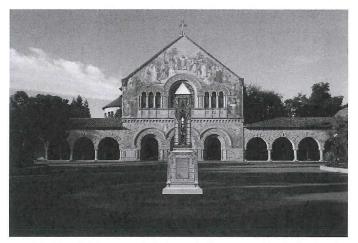


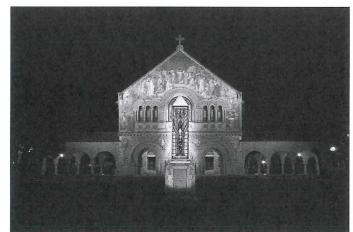


Therefore, I have created a 5G stained glass/terra cotta obelisk which will sit in front of Stanford Chapel using the Leland Stanford Jr. Memorial stained glass window in St. Paul's, and it will be designed and fabricated by two legendary California Arts & Crafts fabricators Judson Studios (Hollyhock House) and Gladding, McBean.

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-- Dennis Neufeld, Sacramento Old City Association





Stanford Memorial Church, California

After their only son died at the age of 15, Leland Stanford founded Stanford University and told his wife that "the children of California shall be our children."

From:

Sheila Cobian

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:04 AM

To:

City Clerk

Cc:

Tammy Cloud-McMinn; Ana Alarcon

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe

Importance:

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From: Priya Bhat-Patel < Priya. Bhat-Patel@carlsbadca.gov >

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 7:02 AM

To: Scott Chadwick < Scott.Chadwick@carlsbadca.gov >

Subject: Fwd: Windsor Pointe

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From: Council Internet Email < CityCouncil@carlsbadca.gov >

Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 10:10:28 AM

Subject: FW: Windsor Pointe

From: jhawks2@sbcglobal.net < jhawks2@sbcglobal.net >

Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 9:29 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Pointe

My name is Armen Kurdian, and I am a resident of Vista.

Look at organizations like Solutions for Change, which have a 9% recidivism rate 1 year after graduation. Look at the organization Refuge for Women which had tremendous success in rehabilitating women who had been trafficked or victims of sexual violence or abuse, which had to close down because of a lack of funding. Look at other organizations that don't receive federal or state funding because they don't follow the 'Housing First' rules, yet have tremendous success compared to federal/state programs which are for the most part, nothing but churn.

I have seen repeatedly how these publicly funded halfway houses measure all the meals they've provided, nights people have stayed, classes provided, but cannot show at the end of the day what they actually accomplished.

Homeowners and tenants living in our neighborhoods have every right to a safe and quite neighborhood. We as taxpayers have every right to know that our tax dollars, especially in a state which has made everything atrociously expensive are being used and spent wisely. Neither of those things are happening around WP. And if developers have their way, it will happen in more and more locales.

Demand accountability, demand demonstrated performance, and make the state, county, and federal government tell you 'no' when funding high barrier shelters, dare them to take money away from things that work.

• - Thanx, Armen

"Underlying most arguments against the free market is a lack of belief in freedom itself." - Milton Friedman

From:

Sheila Cobian

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:05 AM

To:

City Clerk

Cc:

Tammy Cloud-McMinn; Ana Alarcon

Subject:

FW: Windsor Pointe safety issues

Importance:

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From: Priya Bhat-Patel < Priya. Bhat-Patel@carlsbadca.gov >

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 6:56 AM

To: Scott Chadwick < Scott.Chadwick@carlsbadca.gov >

Subject: Fwd: Windsor Pointe safety issues

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From: M F < mforster21@gmail.com > Sent: Saturday, March 9, 2024 9:40:40 AM

To: Priya Bhat-Patel <priya.bhat-patel@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Pointe safety issues

My wife and I have resided in La Costa since 1989. In 2019, we purchased a dilapidated duplex at 3593 Harding St. With significant time and dollar investment we turned it into an attractive, updated building.

Our building is located across from Windsor Pointe supportive housing. In 2019, the project had been approved but not built.

The information about the number of police calls to the facility and the severity of the complaints has been eye-opening.

When I am on-site doing maintenance, I see the children walking back and forth to school. I also see the families at the Little League games at Chase Park. And, of course, there are our tenants and neighbors. While it appears much of the problems are within the facility grounds, how long can it be until that type of activity spills into the neighborhood.

At this Tuesday's council meeting I strongly urge you to hold Affirmed to the highest standard for security with measurable results. I also urge you to schedule a follow-up agenda item within 6 months to assess the measurable results.

There is a place for supportive housing in Carlsbad, but not poorly monitored, unsafe supportive housing.

Thank you.

Mark Forster

From:

Manager Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:29 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Windsor Point safety issues

From: M F <mforster21@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, March 9, 2024 9:46 AM

To: Manager Internet Email <manager@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Windsor Point safety issues

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I have emailed the Mayor and Council Members to hold Affirmed to the highest standard for security with measurable results. I also urge the City Manager to schedule a follow-up agenda item within 6 months to assess the measurable results.

There is a place for supportive housing in Carlsbad, but not poorly monitored, unsafe supportive housing.

Thank you.

Mark Forster

From:

michael ajdour <michaelajd@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:30 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

Windsor Pointe - item 9 March 12,2024

Dear Mayor & Council,

I had some questions on Windsor Pointe. Thinking it would be helpful to ask them before the staff report, I emailed them prior to the Feb 27 council meeting and asked that they be included in the public record. Since my letter was neither in the Feb 27 agenda record or the staff report, I'm sending this to replace it.

Because WP has 2 sites, several blocks apart, I am now asking separately about Oak and Harding. These are mostly basic quantitative questions that any competent management team should easily answer for 2 25 unit apartment buildings.

- 1. How many residents in each building? Residents as in people living there in March 2024, not who signed a lease 2 years ago.
- 2. How many veterans at each WP?
- 3. How many minors at each WP?
- 4. How many people over the last 2 years moved in directly out of incarceration?
- 5. How many people over the last 2 years moved in directly off of the streets & parks of Carlsbad?
- 6. How many people over the last 2 years were relocated from other SMI housing sites in San Diego County where things were not working out for them? How many other SMI housing sites are there in San Diego County?
- 7. How many people are living at each WP without a diagnosis of severe mental illness (so as to be a help to those who do)?
 - 8. Where are the visitor logs and logs of pysch meds taken?
 - 9. Who is ONSITE (NOT remote) providing services? Exactly what services at what times?
 - 10. How many people have been arrested, injured, or died on premises at each WP since opening?

The last 2 questions aren't things that the management can answer without the help of city staff.

- 11. Please compare police records between Windsor Point and Casa de Amparo. How many beds are there at Casa?
- 12. What steps did WP management take directly after receiving Jimmy Smallwood's Aug 2022 letter and Police Chief William's Sept 2023 letter?

Thank you for answering with actual numbers of people and not percentages. I could say that the rate of people jumping or getting shoved off 3rd floor balconies in the barrio has gone up 100% due to Windsor Pointe. The WP management could say well, only 2% of our apartments had that happen this winter. And we'd both be right. See how that works?

A big thank you to Melanie Burkholder for getting this on the agenda.

All the best,

Julie Ajdour

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:45 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Agenda Item 9

From: George Corrales < geocorrales@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 8:34 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Agenda Item 9

To: The Mayor and Council of Carlsbad, California

Subject: Windsor Pointe, Agenda Item 9, Tuesday, March 12, 2024

From: George Corrales, Carlsbad Resident

Honorable Mayor and Council:

We've known for several years that the "Housing First" approach does not work*. We need to accept that conclusion and move on to something else. The "Public Safety-First" approach recently adopted in Escondido is a good place to start. It favors programs that prioritize sobriety and focus on existing residents over transplants. Immediately treating the underlying causes of homelessness is more compassionate, ethical, and moral than letting individuals continue to harm themselves and the community using a housing-first strategy that works best for non-addicted, temporarily displaced people, of which there are few.

*See: https://binged.it/48NLX7b

From:

Council Internet Email

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2024 9:46 AM

To:

City Clerk

Subject:

FW: Pine Park Crime Increase

From: Ryan King <ryanbking83@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 8:49 AM

To: Council Internet Email < council@carlsbadca.gov>

Subject: Pine Park Crime Increase

Hi,

My name is Ryan King. My child plays flag football and lacrosse with practices/games at Chase Field/Pine Park/Holiday Park. For years, the City has been aware of the issues with the homeless near these recreational fields and parks. The city is well aware that homeless gather in these areas, making the bathrooms unusable for children. If my wife is with my son, my son has to go into the women's restroom because it is not safe for my wife to allow him to go into the bathroom at any of these parks alone. Now, you have added severely mentally ill homeless into the mix.

Several years ago, a severely mentally ill man tried to kidnap and molest a child at Skyline Elementary in Encinitas. When that happened, parents in Carlsbad were hyper-vigilant about where their child was at any time, especially in a chaotic environment like sporting events. The same thing happened when a severely mentally ill man brought a gun to Kelly Elementary and started shooting at kids.

You know the danger involved with severely mentally ill people, but you place them in a community near three elementary schools and one middle school. You place them near Chase Field, one of the only baseball fields available for CYB players in Carlsbad. You place them near Pine Park, where you are well aware that flag football and soccer practices occur daily. You place them near Holiday Park where you know volleyball, soccer and flag football activities are happening.

Windsor Pointe's location is not an appropriate location for people with severe mental illness. The city, Affirmed, and Solaris are well aware a child was already molested inside Windsor Pointe. All are aware that an attempted murder occurred at Windsor Pointe. All are aware that over 750 calls for service have been generated from activities at Windsor Pointe over the last two years. No one cares and no one is doing anything about it.

The city recently required a ton of extra security, metal detectors and advance tickets to our local Concerts in the Park, which generate few, if any calls for service. But, Windsor Pointe, where security is actually necessary, can do whatever they want. How is that fair to Carlsbad residents?

I have my child in athletic programming to stimulate their body and mind. I didn't do it to purposely put my child in danger. The city needs to be as concerned about the safety and well being of every kid walking to school or to a baseball game as they are about their relationship with Affirmed Housing.

I would like the city to end their relationship with Affirmed Housing, terminate the ground lease at Windsor Pointe and start protecting our youth and residents rather than importing the severely mentally ill from all over the county who have no ties to Carlsbad at all.

Thank you,

Ryan King