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**Subject:** 6/19 Public Comment (Item 1 - Support)

Good morning,

The redevelopment of the Village Plaza has been getting a lot of attention, but not for the right reasons. People seem to be focused on the negative (like the loss of Smart and Final), but not acknowledging that the center has noticeably seen better days. With the “action” seen at Windsor Pointe, I’m surprised people aren’t welcoming the revitalization of this property with open arms!

This is a well-designed project that leverages an underutilized property to provide a safe, clean place to live for a variety of local families and brings new shops to serve the existing neighborhood. I’m supportive of this upgrade and hope that you vote to approve the project as proposed.

Thanks,  
Paul Kartzke

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**From:** [Planning](#)  
**To:** [Cynthia Vigeland](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Third Request to Save Carlsbad Village Plaza  
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**To:** Jason Goff <jason.goff@carlsbadca.gov>; Planning <planning@carlsbadca.gov>  
**Subject:** Third Request to Save Carlsbad Village Plaza

Dear Commission Mrmbers,

Could we please have a current count of:

1. Existing and approved but not yet completed ADU units as well as JADU units in Carlsbad?
2. How many low cost housing rental units there are as well as those approved but not yet completed?

This will be beneficial in helping determine how to proceed with the Village Plaza Project.

Thank-you,

Darlene Gillis  
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**From:** Darlene Gillis <[Darlenegillis@msn.com](mailto:Darlenegillis@msn.com)>  
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**Subject:** **Second Request to Save Carlsbad Village Plaza**

Dear Commission Members,

Please read my second request to Save the Village Plaza. I would appreciate feedback.

Looking forward to the meeting on June 19th, at 5PM.

See you all then!

Darlene

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June 11, 2024

Dear Mr. Goff,

I am opposed to the proposed redevelopment of the Carlsbad Village Plaza into a large, mixed-use high-density residential complex. (Project Number SDP 2023-0014). This is the second letter I have written and will write more!

I have lived in Carlsbad for 40 years and shopped at the Plaza since the auto parts store and Big Bear grocery store were tenants. I shop there at least twice a week.

This proposed development is not good for the residents of Carlsbad Village.

We're all aware that Tooley Interests hired Jonathon Frankel as the project manager for this project because he helped push the Marja Acres project through the city commissions and committees. Traffic on El Camino Real is still backed up to one lane going south every morning. The traffic on Carlsbad Village will be a nightmare, causing major backups on I-5!!

Traffic: The demolition of the Plaza site will be atrocious. Dump Trucks driving east then west on Carlsbad Village Drive, The lumber and concrete trucks plus all the construction vehicles... Hopefully done of this traffic would be diverted to 2 lane Harding Street, through the barrio, senior center, baseball fields and Jefferson Elementary. It will be a mess for years and in the meantime we have no walkable grocery store, hardware store or pharmacy.

Is the city ready to handle the restructuring of the underground utilities going under Cbad Village Drive. That process itself takes what seems like years!!

Has the commission vetted Tooley Interests, LLC.? Are they capable of building a project of this magnitude? Why are they so insistent on 5 story buildings? There are so many better and more profitable ways to go about designing this site.

5 story buildings will start a precedent – we can't have this.

Cbad Village Drive is the gateway to down town. The first impression of our Village by the Sea. Driving through here with 5 story buildings on one side and 4 story buildings on the other side is a shame.

Progress is inevitable, but this is the wrong project for this location. It will irreversibly alter the character of the Carlsbad Village, the character that I and so many residents wish to preserve. Please do not approve this project.

The Plaza could really use a remodel to bring it up modern standards but scraping it and building 5 story apartment buildings should not be an option.

Sincerely,

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