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# Objection to the high-density mixed use Revised Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project

located at 4952 and 4972 Warner Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA. 92649

(Southwest corner of Bolsa Chica Street and Warner Avenue).

September 29, 2024

Greetings Mayor Van Der Mark and Esteemed City Council Members,

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It addresses questionable public statements several of the City Planning Commissioners made at their recent Planning Commission Meeting held on September 24, 20024 whereat they voted to refer this Project to City Council.

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# Attachments:

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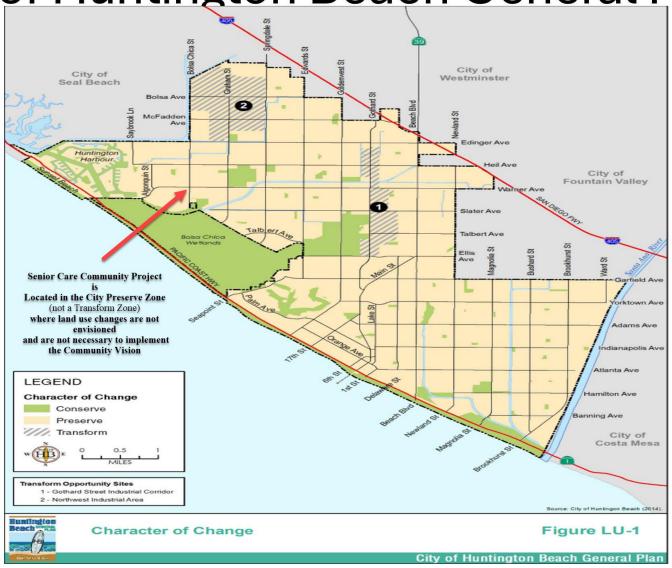
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Sunday, September 29, 2024 8:00:33 PM Date:

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I am writing to oppose the approval of Conditional Use Permit No. **21-024 for the Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project**. I have been a resident of Huntington Beach since 1981, living near Bolsa Chica and Warner. In addition to owning my residence, I also own several rental properties in the city. It is disheartening to watch certain members of the city council and planning department continually push for overdevelopment, seemingly disregarding the long-term impact on our community. Your responsibility should be to prioritize the interests of Huntington Beach residents, not to maximize profits for developers.

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# Regards, -Davoud Manouchehri Davoud@Manouchehri.com (714)840-8791 (Cell) (714)908-1818 (Fax) -Davoud Manouchehri Davoud@Manouchehri.com (714)840-8791 (Cell) (714)908-1818 (Fax)

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Sept 30 2024
(Signature)

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From: <u>Estanislau, Robin</u>

To: <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

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September 29, 2024

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Please Vote NO and Reject this High-Density Project in its current format and design.

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_Annette Raizola	
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Please review the attached letter and consider its points carefully as you make decisions about the future of our unique beach community, "Surf City USA."

Sincerely, Linas Raslavicius

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Please vote **NO** on this proposal and send it back for revisions that ensure compliance with city planning requirements and respect for the local community.

Sincerely, Sinas Raslavícius 9/30/2024

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#### **REFERENCES:**

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#### Dear City Council Members,

I urge you to Reject the each of the amendments presented at the Sept 24th hearing for the Revised Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project located at the Southwest corner of Bolsa Chica Street and Warner Avenue

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I urge the city council to ask the developers to consider an alternate location.

Thank you for your time and consideration

Kimberly Decker

714-878-5028

Local Resident

From: <u>Michael McShane</u>

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To the Huntington Beach City Council,

My wife and I have lived off of Bolsa Chica for going on ten years. The high-density senior housing project being planned for the intersection of Warner and Bolsa Chica despite unhappy citizens that will be living next to it. Attached please find a letter indicating our reasons for rejecting this plan.

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From: <u>Marcie Zeller</u>

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Dear Huntington Beach City Council,

This letter is to kindly ask that you DO NOT approve the Bolsa Chica/Warner Senior Care Community Project as it currently is. So many of the factors in this project DO NOT MAKE SENSE!

- 1. Assisted Living seniors do not need apartments with 1700-2000 sq feet. This is larger than many single family homes that seniors live in now.
- 2. They are including a BAR to sell Liquor to seniors......does this make sense? Build a smaller building or add parking instead!
- 3. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH PARKING SPOTS! Please do not allow a variance on the parking spots. There is no room anywhere outside of the project to park. The existing apartments do not have enough parking to begin with. On the one hand this builder thinks a Bar is necessary for seniors but not a spot to park their car. Doesn't make sense!
- 4. This will be an eye sore on the corner..... It will be a square block of walls and so oversized for the space. Please require landscaping and the aesthetics to blend in with the existing area so it is not built up to the side walks...... 25 foot set back with greenery and only 2 stories like the existing area.
- 5. MOST IMPORTANTLY......PLEASE REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNITS......NO HIGH DENSITY HOUSING PLEASE! Keep Huntington Beach charming like the taxpaying residents have requested. Please listen to us. This is not unreasonable!
- 6. TRAFFIC will be terrible on the corner and Bolsa Chica and Warner. It is presently an issue as is. Heading South on Bolsa Chica to the light at WARNER, there is only ONE LANE to go straight across Warner. Allowing for the additional residents, employees, etc. using that one lane would be a lack of responsibility and obviously a set up for FAILURE, if you approve this project as is. The intersection is highly unusual and confusing for many people. We have heavy pedestrian crossings and 2 left turn lanes, one straight lane, and 2 right turn lanes. There is always mayhem and CLOSE-CALLS every day. This intersection CANNOT handle more daily traffic.
- 7. Please make sure that what the builder is building is already approved by the state to be an assisted living, memory care facility so the builder cannot change the plan after they get started.

In conclusion, We, the residents of HB do not want high density housing and are requesting that you adhere to our existing regulations and building requirements to keep HB a pleasant place to live. No one likes too much congestion on the local streets and in neighborhoods.

There is NO good reason that the builder CANNOT and SHOULD NOT comply with our city codes as is. The codes are there for a reason. The city council should not let the builder decide how to change our city for their benefit if it does not work for its local residents. Please have the builder revise their plans until they can comply with HB and keep HB safe and sane for its residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Marcie Zeller

714-904-1236 40 year resident of HB From: pess co

To: <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

**Subject:** Project violates City Land Use Codes: LU-1(D) and LU-2(B).

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From: <u>Diane Black</u>

To: <u>Van Der Mark, Gracey; Strickland, Tony; Burns, Pat; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF)</u>;

supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; Estanislau, Robin; Moser, Natalie; Bolton, Rhonda; McKeon, Casey; Kalmick,

<u>Dan</u>

**Subject:** REJECTION LETTER for Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project

**Date:** Tuesday, October 1, 2024 10:09:17 AM

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#### Dear City Council Members,

Please reject all the amendments for the Revised Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project

located at the Southwest corner of Bolsa Chica Street and Warner Avenue

Environmental impacts to the Bolsa Chica Wetlandsand wildlife preserve would be detrimental and

the environmental impacts will have lasting effects. The damage will be irreversible.

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apartments.

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This Revise Project is way too large in scale for this community and neighborhood, and cannot

withstand further traffic congestion.

PLEASE PLEASE request the developers consider an alternate location within the city of Huntington

Beach.

Thank you,

Kay Gramata

714-421-2285

HB resident

From: Kim

To: Van Der Mark, Gracey; Strickland, Tony; Burns, Pat; McKeon, Casey; Kalmick, Dan; Moser, Natalie; Bolton,

Rhonda; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; Estanislau, Robin

**Subject:** Re sending Objection to Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project

**Date:** Tuesday, October 1, 2024 10:11:41 AM

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### On Mon, Sep 30, 2024, 3:59 PM Kim < kimdeckr@gmail.com > wrote:

Dear City Council Members,

I urge you to Reject the each of the amendments presented at the Sept 24th hearing for the Revised Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project located at the Southwest corner of Bolsa Chica Street and Warner Avenue

There is public concern about the environmental impacts to the already vulnerable Bolsa Chica wetlands and surrounding protected marshlands. This project would be detrimental to this small coastal area and the environmental impacts will most certainly having a lasting effects on the protected wildlife. The damage will be irreversible.

Currently, there is no available street parking near this particular intersection. There is no street parking on Warner Avenue.

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Thank you for your time and consideration

Kimberly Decker

714-878-5028

Local Resident

From: Dan Grommersch

Van Der Mark, Gracey; Strickland, Tony; Burns, Pat; McKeon, Casey; Kalmick, Dan; Moser, Natalie; Bolton, Rhonda; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; Estanislau, Robin To:

Subject: Objection Letter to the Bolsa Chica Senior Care Community Project

Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 11:02:07 AM

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There are existing rules and regulations in place governing the use of property and I don't see the need to amend these rules to accommodate a for profit industry. I have no doubt there are other sources of revenue for the city that can be built in this location that will not require amendments to the General plan and Zoning regulations.

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From: Monique x

**To:** <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

**Subject:** Objection letter

**Date:** Tuesday, October 1, 2024 1:31:19 PM

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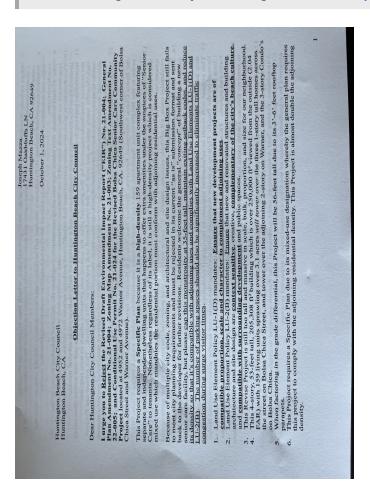
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From: <u>Estanislau, Robin</u>

To: <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

**Subject:** FW: Project violates City Land Use Codes: LU-1(D) and LU-2(B

**Date:** Tuesday, October 1, 2024 6:42:15 PM

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From: pess co <pessny@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2024 10:39 PM

To: Estanislau, Robin < Robin. Estanislau@surfcity-hb.org>

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From: Estanislau, Robin

To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Bolsa Chica Senior Housing rejection
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 6:42:40 PM
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From: Michael McShane <mmcshane@outlook.com>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2024 6:21 PM

To: Estanislau, Robin < Robin. Estanislau@surfcity-hb.org>

**Subject:** Bolsa Chica Senior Housing rejection

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#### Dear Robin,

My wife and I have lived off of Bolsa Chica for going on ten years. The high-density senior housing project being planned for the intersection of Warner and Bolsa Chica despite unhappy citizens that will be living next to it. Attached please find a letter indicating our reasons for rejecting this plan.

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With gratitude,

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Sandeepa Maheshwari 5096 Tortuga Dr., #108 Huntington Beach, CA 92649 From: <u>No-reply</u>

To: <u>dk@clapcreative.com</u>; <u>Beckman, Hayden</u>; <u>Planning Commission</u>; <u>Twining</u>, <u>Butch</u>; <u>Kennedy</u>, <u>Don</u>;

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**Subject:** Bolsa Chica Senior Living Community **Date:** Wednesday, October 2, 2024 10:58:10 PM

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From: Alysha Reed

Van Der Mark, Gracey; Strickland, Tony; Burns, Pat; McKeon, Casey; Kalmick, Dan; Moser, Natalie; Bolton, Rhonda; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; Estanislau, Robin To:

Subject: Objection letter for Bolsa Chica Senior Care Project

Date: Thursday, October 3, 2024 8:43:09 AM

Attachments: Revised Objection Letter to City Council for Neighbors to Sign 09-29-2024.docx[1].pdf

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September 29, 2024

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Alysha Reed McKeen	10/3/2024
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17281 Osterville Lane	
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Email to City Council: Gracey.VanDerMark@surfcity-hb.org, Tony.strickland@surfcity-hb.org, Pat.Burns@surfcity-hb.org, Casey.McKeon@surfcity-hb.org, Dan.Kalmick@surfcity-hb.org, Natalie.Moser@surfcity-hb.org, Rhonda.Bolton@surfcity-hb.org, City.Council@surfcity-hb.org, SupplementalComm@Surfcity-hb.org, Robin.Estanislau@Surfcity-hb.org

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Bolsa Chica Senior Living Community Subject: Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 9:12:00 AM

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Subject: Bolsa Chica Senior Living Community Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 9:29:37 AM Attachments: CF7-1728059252-8406.pdf

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**Date:** Sunday, October 6, 2024 10:47:51 AM

Attachments: Paul Glunt Revised Objection Letter to City Council for Neighbors to Sign 09-29-2024.pdf

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#### **G. Paul Glunt**

Principal

Co-Leader of KPMG US Value Chain Management Team KPMG LLP | 20 Pacifica | Suite 700 | Irvine, CA 92618-3391 Mobile 949.381.8434 gpaulglunt@kpmg.com

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	October 6, 2024
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From: <u>Estanislau, Robin</u>

To: <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

**Subject:** FW: Oppose BOLSA CHICA Sr COMPLEX as proposed

**Date:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024 1:11:41 PM

Attachments: psb letter.pdf

**From:** Peter Baker <moreinf78@gmail.com> **Sent:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024 11:25 AM

**To:** CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; Estanislau, Robin <Robin.Estanislau@surfcity-hb.org>; Beckman, Hayden <hayden.beckman@surfcity-hb.org>

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Dear City Council members,

Please find my attached letter below requesting that you reject the current project.

Peter S. Baker 17042 Bolsa Chica St. Huntington Beach, CA 92649 October 6, 2024

Dear Huntington Beach City Councilmembers,

I am writing to oppose construction of a multi-story senior apartment complex on Bolsa Chica at Warner.

I grew up in the area the area of the proposed complex. This complex does not fit. For a senior community, it is far away from a hospital. There are no buildings in the neighborhood that are as tall as the proposed complex. The traffic in the area is already considerable due to the many single family residences. There is a major earthquake fault in the area. Please vote AGAINST this project. It needs to be smaller. Any complex that is constructed would need sufficient parking for residents and employees.

Sincerely,

Peter S. Baker

(707) 485-8007

From: <u>dad2st@aol.com</u>

To: <u>CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF)</u>; <u>supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org</u>

**Subject:** Bolsa Chica Senior Living Community **Date:** Wednesday, October 9, 2024 2:47:11 AM

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To all it may concern.

Again, I urge you all to reject the current four story proposal for this development.

Three stories maximum to blend into the surrounding area.

Since this development is priced for only the affluent, as a retiree well into my seventh decade, I'd have to hit the lotto to be able to live there.

A reply will be appreciated.

Thank you Chuck Burns 5502 Edinger Ave Huntington Beach CA.

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From: dad2st@aol.com <dad2st@aol.com>

To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>

Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 07:33:45 AM PDT

Subject: Bolsa Chica Senior Living Community

I urge you all to do the same. Reject the current proposal of this project being four stories high.

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To: planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>

Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 07:13:32 AM PDT

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To: <u>Agenda Alerts</u>

Subject:FW: Support for Senior Living ProjectDate:Thursday, September 26, 2024 12:17:51 PMAttachments:Davenport support for senior care.docx

From: Seth Davenport <SDavenport@voitco.com> Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2024 12:09 PM

To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>

Subject: Support for Senior Living Project

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Seth H. Davenport | Executive Vice President

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Huntington Beach City Council

Sent via email

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