

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: City Council

FROM: Jessica Matson, Legislative & Information Services Director/City Clerk

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Information

Agenda Item 9.k. - July 25, 2023 City Council Meeting

Consideration of Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Title 16 of the Arroyo Grande Municipal Code Regarding Emergency Shelters;

**Development Code Amendment 23-004** 

**DATE:** July 25, 2023

Attached is correspondence received for the above reference item.

cc: City Manager

Assistant City Manager

Community Development Director

City Attorney
City Clerk

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**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2023 2:39:22 PM

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**Subject:** Emergency Shelters Re-Zoning 10.c June 27, 2023

Arroyo Grande City Council,

Item 10. C that was presented on June 27, 2023

Public Hearing to Discuss and Consider Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Title 16 of the Arroyo Grande Municipal Code Regarding Emergency Shelters; Development Code Amendment 23-004

As a resident of Arroyo Grande for 35 years I **STRONGLY APPOSE** the addition to the **FAIR OAKS MIXED-USE (FOMU)** permitted for Homeless Shelter along Grand Ave.

Grand Ave. is the Main Street of our City and is not an appropriate location to House Homeless. Instead of a BROAD re-zoning why not propose a specific location that is being considered?

On page 681 it shows that there were Courtesy notices send out on June 16, 2023. I would like to see a copy of one of those mailers? I talked to 2 Property owners on Alpine St., two houses from Grand and Eman St., neither had seen any notification of the re-zoning. Even the Mayor was surprised there was not one person at the June 27, meeting or on zoom to ask a question?

At the Council Meeting on June 27, 2023 there was a PICTURE of the map with the new zone they were asking for approval, but I did not see that map on the archives, there was only a table provided on page 684 which no one would be able to make sense of.

Working with the Homeless in Santa Maria for 5 years as outreach, we went to them to the river bottom and other tent areas to provide meals, opening our gym weekly for meals, clothes, haircuts and opportunities for other services, and being a Temporary Warming Shelter during the winter, there are definitely impacts to the surrounding areas.

Besides the obvious loitering, and they're disinterest in being in a shelter, after the passing of Prop 47 in California there was a huge increase of theft, drug trafficking and violence in proximity of these locations.

Patti Okeefe