

Friday, June 15, 2012

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To: CITY OF CALISTOGA PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 20, 2012

RE: ENCHANTED RESORTS

Commissioners:

I would like to speak in person, but am triple booked this evening and cannot attend. I do not speak either in favor or against the Enchanted Resorts proposal, but would offer the following.

Many conversations I have heard in town lament the deep divisions in our community concerning this and other resort developments. I remind myself constantly that I cannot attribute motives to anyone, pro or con, city, citizen or developer, but must weigh their words along with their actions.

I have many good friends on both sides of this issue and can only ask in the strongest terms that we recognize that having a different perspective or value about a project does not make a person wrong or a bad citizen; everyone is here because we care deeply about our community. Let's be respectful and offer the grace to each other that we would like to receive.

A question for you: is it easier to deal with a single developer or 38 individual homeowners, if Enchanted Resorts chooses to end the resort project and sale the lots? I have no idea, but I expect this may impact the decision from a planning perspective.

If you are inclined to approve this project please make all of Enchanted Resort's obligations to the city transparently clear, the city's obligations to ER as well. Also include an executive summary that describes your reasoning for both the community and the council. Hopefully this may help all of us to better understand why and how you decide.

Sincerely,

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