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Dear Committee;

You were elected to represent your constituents, not developers. Have you forgotten your role?

I cannot fathom for the life of me, why we are looking to destroy environmentally sensitive lands, to destroy green space, and to build multi-acred warehouses all in the name of 'progress'. We have enough derelict land sitting unused within this city that could be used for warehousing, that green space needs NOT be touched. There is zero reason to develop the proposed lands.

Furthermore, developers 'discounts' merely pad their pockets, leaving the already overburdened tax payer to pick up the costs. Have you seen the hungry children in our schools? Have you seen the face of the 7 year old who is told he can't play soccer, as there is no money to buy cleats or shin pads? Have you seen the child with autism who has no supports as their parent can't afford private therapy? Have you seen the mother who chooses not to fill a needed prescription as feeding her child is more important? Have you talked to parents who have to choose between rent and food? What about the 30 year old who has to move back home to live, as rent costs are untenable?

Are you really prepared to download the infrastructure burden onto these very people, those who have the least? Make no mistake about it. To continue with developer discounts is shameful. Should you vote to continue these, the rich get richer, and the struggling will continue to struggle. Their struggles are escalating into unprecedented mental health issues invading our society at exponential rates.

Look at inside your own consciences and listen to your heart. What is the right thing to do? You all know what it is.

I implore you to have the courage to do what is right. Stop the discounts. Stop the destruction of any more land. Work for the people, those who elected you.

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