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From: <nancywws@aol.com>  
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Subject: Serrano Village Project A14  
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Clerk of the Planning Commission,

Greetings to the Planning Commission,

Having skimmed some of the documents and read others, when not glued to fire news, I wish to comment on the proposed approval of the the Serrano Village Project A14.

I am not a resident of El Dorado Hills, but I have read numerous comments on this project from residents of EDH. They do not support this project. I hope you listen to their voices.

My own comments, as a resident of El Dorado County, are these: You asked the planning department to come back to you with reasons that the project should be denied. They did this and now those are disposed of. The paragraph that struck me most was:

'Additionally, the Planning Commission discussed the merits of the proposed modified development standards, in that, despite these similar modified standards being established in other existing Serrano villages, the Planning Commission has determined that Serrano Village A-14 does not sufficiently provide diverse options for housing type, as contemplated in the Specific Plan, and, therefore, does not meet the applicable specific plan and General Plan policies involving housing diversity and affordability.'

My initial response was FINALLY. And then I learned that this was being disregarded. Once again the County is bending to the will of the developer. Isn't the Planning Department/Planning Commission part of the housing element update? Aren't you participating in the preparation of a document to be submitted to the State in which the County is committing itself to meeting their assigned number of new homes for residents of moderate to extremely low incomes? Didn't you read the chart that showed the vast majority of permits issued was for single family residences for above moderate income folks? None for the extremely low and maybe one to cover as many of the other less fortunates as you could check off? Didn't you compile a list of available properties that should meet the requirements of accessibility to public transportation? When are going to insist that the developers do a 1 affordable housing development in exchange for 1 single family development? All that Covid money for housing the homeless.....

Yet, again, you fill the county with homes for the middle and upper income residents while ignoring mandates, general plan stated goals and carry on the developer driven projects. Has the County made any improvements to the number of lanes in Highway 50? Are the traffic jams taken care of? Or do you misrepresent commitments before the fact and ignore them afterwards?

Do you know that the County has a reputation for bending over backwards to accommodate developers? That it is seen as easy pickings? You create building codes, you pay money to people to define conditions for permits. Then you let developers ask for and receive modifications that only suit their needs to create more squished together homes that don't meet the requirements you spent money to codify. You forget who already lives in an area and the conditions for approval of those developments and the expectations of the people who purchased their dream homes. The codes are there to protect them, as well. Let them see that you are there to protect their investments in a chosen, advertised, and paid for community.

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I request that you consider again what this county is becoming, a crowded dissatisfied community of people whose expectations of their county boards and commissions are not being met. Please do not approve this development plan.

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