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**RE: PD17-0002/Diamond Springs Village Apartments**

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**President CMHOA** <presidentcourtsideds@gmail.com>  
To: planning@edcgov.us


Sat, Jun 16, 2018 at 12:45 PM

Hello- A participant is not able to make the meeting scheduled for June 28th. She would like to have her letter added to the meeting for the board members and that attend.

Thanks  
Lena Cull  
President Courtside Manor Homeowners Association  
916.673.8077

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*Carolyn Thurston*

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June 15, 2018

To: El Dorado County Planning Dept.  
Re: Planned Development PD17-0002/Diamond Springs Village Apartments

Some years ago I invested in a home in Courtside Manor, adjoining this area you're considering developing. I bought it because it was quiet, a small development, it was a planned kind of neighborhood and it was a safe place for my daughter and granddaughter to live. They've been very happy living there up to now.

And now, you're going to ruin it all.

- What can you be thinking of putting in a development like this very near an area with young families, children, vulnerable teenagers?
- What can you be thinking of placing ex-convicts in a rural family community? The rate of recidivism, according to my research, in 2016, for inmates from state prisons is 76%. And you're going to place hundreds of people like that in close proximity to a small family neighborhood? You'll be jeopardizing the safety of every person within miles of this plot of land.
- What can you be thinking to take over the narrow streets of Courtside Manor and making those the entry and exit portals for this development? Courtside Manor's streets are narrow to begin with – not suitable for the kind of traffic with 80+ units with likely multiple tenants. We're talking hundreds of people.
- What can you be thinking of putting a development like this with little to no access to services – food, health, entertainment? Surely these ex-inmates won't have cars. What will be they doing with themselves, except thinking or planning of what kind of trouble they can get into. At least 76% of them will be doing that. And they'll be walking all over everywhere, just to find something to do. That does not bode well for the residents of Courtside Manor.
- What can you be thinking of building a development like this close to Pearl Place, which already has a higher than average rate of criminal activity? Nothing good will come of that close proximity. Very soon the young people from Pearl Place will discover there's trouble to get into by befriending the criminal element in this new development. Hence, crime rates will go UP. More young people will be getting into trouble.
- What can you be thinking to put in a development like this when you know – yes, you KNOW – property values will decline. Families are not going to want to live in Courtside anymore. It will become known as a bad place to live.

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I beg you, do not approve this development. For the safety of the citizens of Diamond Springs, I beg you please, do not let this development go forward.

Sincerely,

*Carelyn Thurston*