

From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: message to Matt Sullivan
Date: Tuesday, April 24, 2012 11:09:09 AM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2012 12:15 PM
To: Judith Seid; Mayor and City Council
Cc: Maria Hoey
Subject: RE: message to Matt Sullivan

Dear Ms. Seid,

Thank you very much for your valuable input regarding the future of the Nob Hill Market site. This message acknowledges receipt of your email. Please rest assured that the City Council and appropriate staff will have the benefit of your comments.

Kind Regards,

Joanne Hall
Public Information Officer
City of Pleasanton

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From: Judith Seid [
Sent: Sunday, April 22, 2012 8:10 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: message to Matt Sullivan

I live walking distance from the old Nob Hill market and I miss a grocery store there. However, I will not set foot in a WalMart owned grocery. Is there any way I can help with the effort to stop WalMart, a terrible corporate citizen, from opening their grocery there?

-Judith Seid

See what I think at: judithseid.wordpress.com

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"Customary" is not a synonym for "ethical." (Randy Cohen)

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From: Athena Dai
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Regarding planning commission decision approving the zoning certificate to open another Walmart
Date: Friday, April 20, 2012 3:00:49 PM

Hi Natalie -

This is Athena Dai, a property owner and resident at 2855 Diavila Ct of Pleasanton since 2009. I

am strongly opposed to the planning commission's decision of approving opening yet another Walmart in our city. I think it will seriously jeopardize quality of life in my beloved neighborhood, particularly the threat of air & noise pollution, traffic hazards and the many other associated known issues. I urge the city to create and preserve a safe, clean and beautiful Pleasanton for its residents and future generations to come.

While I cannot personally appear at the public hearing of this matter on May 7th, I sincerely hope the city will put th residents' wellbeing rather than any commerial interest in the 1st place.

Should there be any need to contact me, I can be reached at this email or via phone

Best regards,

Athena

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From: Pamela Gonzales
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market -- P12-0113
Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2012 6:53:45 PM

I am writing to let you know that we continue to totally support the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market opening at the former Nob Hill site. My husband and I have lived in Pleasanton Meadows neighborhood since 1976. We waited many, many years for the Nob Hill market to be built and were greatly saddened when Raley's shut them down a few years back. It's a shame that the building has been empty this long.

I cannot understand why Councilmember Matt Sullivan continues to object to the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. I guess I would ask the city council why Mr. Sullivan did not object to the Dollar Store in the same manner that he is objecting to Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. It would appear that he has a personal problem with Wal-Mart and perhaps should reclude himself from further votes.

As stated previously, we live within 2 blocks of the proposed Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market and are happy to see it coming. The sooner the better.

Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

From: {
To: namos@ci.pleasanton.ca.us
Subject: Former Nob Hill Shopping Center
Date: Wed, 4 Apr 2012 15:40:02 -0700

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner

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What is the process? The new "Dollar Store" site used to be an exercise place not a retail store so "use" is definitely different. Please advise.

Thank you

Pam Gonzales

From:
To: namos@ci.pleasanton.ca.us
Subject: Wal-Mart Neighborhool Grocery Store
Date: Tue, 13 Mar 2012 20:42:05 -0700

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner:

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Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

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From: Ian Passmore
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: RE: Planning Commission Appeal
Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2012 2:48:12 PM

Dear Ms Amos,

Opening a new supermarket where the old Nob Hill once stood is a great idea. I live within a short walk of that site - I and my neighbors were very upset when Raley's supermarket chain bought Nob Hill and then closed it down.

I do not know of anyone in this neighborhood who is against the Planning Commission's approval of a new market going in at this site and I am sure that applies to the 85 or so people they would hire and who would otherwise be unemployed.

Turn it down! are you crazy? Is Councilmember Matt Sullivan serious, apparently he would rather people be unemployed than work for Wall Market or drive to the other end of town to Raley's or Safeway rather than walk across the street.

Ian Passmore

Pleasanton, CA 94588

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: May 7th - Please approve Wal-Mart grocery
Date: Tuesday, April 10, 2012 9:25:41 AM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2012 9:03 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: May 7th - Please approve Wal-Mart grocery

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From: Dorothy Philipovitch
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2012 8:26 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: May 7th - Please approve Wal-Mart grocery

Good morning. Please allow me every option as to where I grocery shop. Please approve Wal-Mart grocery on May 7th. It will certainly be a better choice than some of the grocery stores in town.

Thank you.

Dorothy

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From: Donna Raabe
To: Mayor and City Council
Cc: Natalie Amos
Subject: Proposed Walmart grocery store on Santa Rita Road
Date: Monday, April 09, 2012 4:42:33 PM

Hello,

My name is Donna Raabe and my husband and I have been homeowners in Pleasanton Meadows for 27 years. I am in agreement with Matt Sullivan regarding the proposed Walmart grocery store.

Adding another grocery store to a city that already has more than 10 stores is not wise planning. The old Nob Hill store went out of business as they had very few customers. I know as I used to go to that store. Since Nob Hill left Fresh & Easy and 99 Ranch Market were opened. The Planning Commission changed the zoning of those two buildings so that a grocery store could operate.

I spoke at the last meeting on March 17th at the Firehouse Theater noting my concerns. As I mentioned at the meeting we have 6 grocery stores that are less than 1-1/2 miles from the proposed Walmart store. We also have another 3-5 grocery stores in the city of Pleasanton.

Also, at the last meeting many people spoke and said they would like to have a store they can walk to. Well we have 5 stores in our immediate area. Three of them are 0.7 and 0.9 miles from the proposed Walmart grocery store. I never see these people that say they want to walk to the grocery store?

Again, I ask with a population of 66,000 citizens "how are we going to support all of these grocery stores"? What will happen if we add another grocery store? Probably one or more of the grocery stores that we currently have operating will go out of business.

Let's rezone the old Nob Hill property as we have done with other buildings in Pleasanton and have a "family friendly" business at this location. Some ideas might be a bowling alley, ice skating or roller skating rink, movie theater, etc.

I will be attending the next meeting on this subject when the date is announced.

Thank you for giving this matter the same concern that many of the citizens of Pleasanton have.

Regards, Donna Raabe

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From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: WalMart
Date: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:49:52 AM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:19 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: WalMart

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From: Rick Decker
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 7:52 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: WalMart

Matt Sullivan,

You should be ashamed of yourself! You are acting childish in regards to the WalMart issue. You were elected to represent the MAJORITY of Pleasanton residents, not the anti WalMart minority NIMBY's! Quit wasting our city's time & money and get over it! Why are you against adding jobs and an anchor tenant to a site that is failing. You are just an anti WalMart nimby like the minority you are speaking for. They didn't even show up at the Planning commission meeting! Stop your childish behavior and let it go. Trust us, we will all remember your behavior should you run for reelection! There are more important issues facing Pleasanton that you should be looking at!

Rick & Susie Decker

27+ year residents of Pleasanton.

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From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Walmart Approval
Date: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:49:15 AM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:23 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Walmart Approval

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:22 AM
To: Ted Reedy; Mayor and City Council
Subject: RE: Walmart Approval

Dear Mr. Reedy,

Thank you very much for your valuable input regarding a WalMart grocery store on Santa Rita Road. This message acknowledges receipt of your email. Please rest assured that the City Council will have the benefit of your comments.

Kind Regards,

Joanne Hall
Public Information Officer
City of Pleasanton

-----Original Message-----

From: Ted Reedy
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 7:10 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Walmart Approval

While I respect each and everyone one of you for service, I have to let you know how dissatisfied I am with Mr. Sullivan's stance on the new Walmart store. The sheer amount of city time, money and effort he has put forth on targeting Walmart as th. evil empire is painful to watch. The amount of money and resources expended is akin to the poor chap rearranging the the chairs on the Titanic! While I seldom if ever have agreed with Mr. Sullivan, it does irk me about the time and money he has wasted in his efforts. I encourage you ALL the expedite the approval for Walmart as quickly as possible.

I now tend to watch the meetings rather than attend. I know and appreciate some of the tough decisions you are face. I want to reiterate how much I appreciate your efforts. Yes, even Mr. Sullivan. You have made public access cable television entertaining again.

Ted Reedy

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart
Date: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:48:24 AM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 10:23 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Walmart

From:
Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2012 8:19 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Walmart

Matt,

I support you in your efforts to keep Walmart from expanding its footprint in Pleasanton. Too often cities are attracted by the the lure of property taxes and "jobs". Make no mistake this company is out for one thing and one thing only and that is profits.

They pay sub competitive wages, little or no benefits and attempt to drive small local private businesses into the ground with their aggressive pricing policies. This is a poor corporate partner and Pleasanton should not allow them to operate another store in our neighborhood. We can do so much better.

Let's find a supermarket who values building a business on good relations, ethics and a sense of fair play.

Say NO to WALMart.

Regards. Robert Svaici

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From: Pamela Gonzales
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Former Nob Hill Shopping Center
Date: Wednesday, April 04, 2012 3:40:06 PM

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner

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Date: Tue, 13 Mar 2012 20:42:05 -0700

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Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Cc: [Janice Stern](#); [Brian Dolan](#); [Steve Otto](#)
Subject: FW: WALMART
Date: Wednesday, April 04, 2012 11:27:29 AM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2012 9:44 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: WALMART

From: Tiger Trading
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 5:45 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: WALMART

Hello Mr. Sullivan.

My email to you is simply personal fact finding in nature.

Why are you filing an appeal of the recent 5-0 planning commission's decision to allow the market in question to be opened?

Apparently, five (5) commission members found no viable reason to not allow the market to be opened. I was not able to be at the meeting.

As you will note from my address below, I have no problem with WalMart opening the new market where another market, Nob Hill, was for many years.

How much in taxes is Pleasanton now receiving from the vacant Nob Hill location?
It is my understanding that Pleasanton is having rather difficult economic times now.

Perhaps something that makes the commission's unanimous decision to allow the market to be opened has been brought to your attention and not to the commission?

If so, we who will be "directly" affected by the market opening should also be made aware of your reason for filing the appeal. Especially if you now have information that was not made available to commission at the time they reached a **unanimous** decision.

It is virtually impossible to speak with you personally or to send this email to you as a Council member.

However, I believe that I understand the reason why this is the case. You probably would never get any council business done if you had to answer and return many

calls from all over Pleasanton

Unfortunately for many, this is generally one of the problems when people are elected "at large". We citizens have no one who represents a specific geographical area.

I do believe that you are trying to do your job as a Pleasanton Council member as well as possible.

You have a lot of valuable experience Council.

I, and many others, will be interested as to why you are filing your appeal. I am open-minded and will look forward to your reasoning for filing the appeal.

One other point, I was not living in Pleasanton when WalMart opened their much larger store here.

Were there similar appeals made them regarding not allowing them to open the store?

In general, I am not a WalMart fan. However, the convenience of having a market close to our area is valuable. I shop at Safeway and will continue to do so one way or the other. It is just not as convenient to do so as it will be to also be able to shop at market much closer.

Best wishes,

David H. Lewis

Pleasanton, CA 94588-4118

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart Grocery
Date: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 4:59:00 PM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 4:40 PM
To: Ralph Edwards; Mayor and City Council
Cc: Maria Hoey; Pleasanton City Clerk
Subject: RE: Walmart Grocery

Dear Mr. Edwards,

Thank you very much for your valuable input regarding a Walmart Grocery on Santa Rita Road. This message acknowledges receipt of your email. Please rest assured that the City Council will have the benefit of your comments.

Kind Regards,

Joanne Hall
Public Information Officer
City of Pleasanton

From: Ralph Edwards
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 4:34 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Walmart Grocery

Council Members,

I want to express my support for the Walmart Grocery on Santa Rita Rd. I live in the neighborhood and will welcome a full service grocer within walking distance of my residence.

Those who would complain of increased traffic should have complained when Nobhill was in that location. Those who complain that WALMART should be kept out should have made use of the building before Walmart. If we don't need a grocery store in that location, where were the complainers when there was a grocery store in that location?

This is just another attempt by a union to protect itself and to hell with anyone else.

Best regards,

Ralph Edwards

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Cc: [Brian Dolan](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#); [Steve Otto](#)
Subject: FW: WE SUPPORT THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET - ACCEPT THE VOTERS & COUNCIL DECISION!
Date: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 12:39:47 PM

From: Karen Diaz
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 12:37 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Cc: Nelson Fialho; Steven Bocian
Subject: FW: WE SUPPORT THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET - ACCEPT THE VOTERS & COUNCIL DECISION!

From: Cara Fraga
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 10:59 AM
To: Matt Sullivan
Cc: Karen Diaz; pleasantonwalmartmarket@gmail.com; Jennifer Hosterman; Jerry Thorne; Cheryl Cook-Kallio; Cindy McGovern
Subject: WE SUPPORT THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET - ACCEPT THE VOTERS & COUNCIL DECISION!

Mr. Sullivan,

What a sad day it is. I have recently learned that you have spearheaded a recent appeal for the future home of the Neighborhood Market. You are disappointing us and a majority of Pleasanton residents that so much time and effort is being wasted by you, while ignoring the voting majority's recent decisions. The residents of Pleasanton and the council themselves have voted. Stop being a stubborn child and accept the decision and stop wasting everyone's time. I have used this as an example to my 17 year old daughter and 14 year old son, both Pleasanton residents and future voters, where Mr. Sullivan is acting like a toddler having a stomping fit while on the city council floor because he cannot get his way. The majority and council have spoken. Accept it.

Sincerely,

Cara & Larry Fraga

Pleasanton, CA

12 Year Resident of Pleasanton living very near the future Neighborhood Market (Formerly Nob Hill Foods)

From: Cara Fraga
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 3:21 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: 'kdiaz@ci.pleasanton.ca.us'; 'pleasantonwalmartmarket@gmail.com'

Subject: WE SUPPORT THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET - THANK YOU FOR YOUR DECISION!

Hello,

As a resident of Pleasanton for almost 12 years, living right off Stoneridge Road and Santa Rita Road and basically around the corner of the now former Nob Hill Market, we have enjoyed living in Pleasanton and loved having a local market right by our home. Our kids loved to ride their bikes there on hot days and get a cold soda or ice cream. My husband and I also loved taking short walks there to get something we might have forgotten during our big weekly grocery shopping trips by car. Currently Safeway, Fresh and Easy and Trader Joe's are about a mile or more from our house and too far for our kids to bike and much too far for me and my husband to take a leisurely walk to pick up a few things.

We have missed having a local market and quite honestly the old Nob Hill market area is now looking very bad and run down. We have also been trying to support the small businesses there that no longer have the market to secure additional business. The ToGo's is almost empty each day, the Mountain Mikes is very quiet and the Sushi restaurant is like a ghost town. I honestly don't know how they are surviving while waiting this long for Pleasanton to support any business from moving into this eyesore of a building for the last two years!

In this economy, any abandoned looking building or shopping center is frankly an eyesore and is a reflection on our city. Any business in this space is better than no business. I have been closely following the events over the last year or so regarding Walmart's interest in this space and cannot believe the ridiculous fight that is being put up over putting another grocery store, where a prior grocery store was for decades. I also have not heard of any other offers by any other interested parties for this space, so that should make the decision even easier to support having SOMETHING there that the community that lives there wants.

I wanted to thank you for supporting the new Neighborhood Market last week and am hoping this decision does not come up again to waste precious time moving towards having a functioning business in this spot. Please keep listening to the residents of this area and who are spending their time and efforts to now email you that they do want this and support it.

Sincerely,

Cara & Larry Fraga
Oakland Avenue
Pleasanton, CA

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart Supermarket
Date: Monday, April 02, 2012 8:26:50 AM

From: Karen Diaz
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 3:56 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Cc: Nelson Fialho; Brian Dolan
Subject: FW: Walmart Supermarket

From: Bonnie Stoker
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 3:54 PM
To: Jennifer Hosterman
Cc: Karen Diaz
Subject: RE: Walmart Supermarket

We live in one of the surrounding neighborhoods of the former Nob Hill Market. We are in full support and looking forward to having a Walmart Supermarket in the empty Nob Hill building. This item has been decided and you should take no further action.

Let's move forward on this.

Thank you,

John & Bonnie Stoker

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To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: New Walmart Grocery Store
Date: Friday, March 30, 2012 11:35:22 AM

From: Karen Diaz
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 11:02 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Cc: Nelson Fialho; Brian Dolan
Subject: FW: New Walmart Grocery Store

From: ~~_____~~
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 10:21 AM
To: Jennifer Hosterman; Jerry Thorne; Cheryl Cook-Kallio; Cindy McGovern; Matt Sullivan
Cc: Karen Diaz
Subject: New Walmart Grocery Store

Dear Council Members,

I'm writing to let you know how pleased I am that you denied the appeal against the grocery store that Walmart wants to open in the Meadow Plaza shopping center! I miss the Nob Hill store we used to have at that location, and am very excited at the prospect of having another grocery store there. The location is convenient to my house, and it will provide more jobs for our city. It sounds like a win-win to me! I request that you take no more action on this matter and let Walmart get the ball rolling. A new store open by this summer would be great!

Thank you,
Becky Haynam

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From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Monday, March 26, 2012 11:32:34 AM

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From: Wenhua Wan
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2012 9:52 AM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

Wal-Mart recently submitted plans to redevelop the old Nob Hill store on Santa Rita Road. Wal Mart wants to redevelop the store without any public review. We believe the residents should have input in any decision. We are urging the City of Pleasanton to hold public hearings regarding the proposed Wal Mart.

In addition, we believe if Wal Mart wants to build, then the City of Pleasanton:

1. Should require Wal Mart do an Environmental Impact Report on the proposed store,
2. Should not allow Wal Mart to operate the store 24 hours/day,
3. Should require Wal Mart to provide solutions to traffic congestion instead of make it worse, including but not limited to a signal at the entrance and pedestrian bridge across Santa Rita Rd.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to public hearings on the proposal!

Wenhua Wan

Pleasanton, California 94588
Phone: 5103161863

p.s.

I strongly against Wal-Mart taking old Nob Hill store on Santa Rita Road.

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From: [Natalie Amos](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: RE: March 19 Special Meeting On March 19
Date: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 2:58:25 PM

From: Jodie Gordon '
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 10:42 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: March 19 Special Meeting On March 19

Hi Ms. Hoey,

I could not find the results of your March 19 meeting regarding the Wal-Mart supermarket. I live in Hayward and one of the Wal-Mart supermarkets is planned for our city. I would appreciate it if you could let me know what the decision was by the planning commission regarding this project. I understand that it was previously approved by the City Council. The City Council in Hayward has the final approval of such decisions after the Planning Commission has rendered their decision.

If you have the comments that were presented at the meeting or a way of me viewing them in the internet, I would appreciate that information.

Sincerely,
Roy Gordon

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From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2012 9:38:59 AM

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Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 12:59 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

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Eric Souza

pleasanton, California 94588
Phone: 925

p.s.

Please do not allow Wal-Mart to build another store in Pleasanton. The one we have is already run down but at least it is not in a residential area and has ample parking. The parking lot where Nob Hill use to be is very small and will no doubt create a traffic jam on Santa Rita. There are many other stores that could go in that building except stores like Wal-Mart and Target which usually require large pieces of land.

Why do we need to Wal-Marts within walking distance of one another?

Again, please reconsider this as the last thing Santa Rita and the city of Pleasanton needs is another Wal-Mart.

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Pat & Kathy Gunn
Family in Pleasanton

Pleasanton, California 94566
Phone: 925

p.s.

PLEASE do due diligence when considering whether to allow development of another Wal-Mart. We've got one less than a mile from that proposed location. WHY ON EARTH do we need another one so close???

We want our neighborhoods to remain safe and desirable and are deeply concerned about this proposed development.

Thanks for your consideration.

Pat & Kathy Gunn

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market
Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 10:22:05 AM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 9:03 AM
To: Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Cc: Maria Hoey
Subject: RE: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market

Dear Ms. McQueen,

Thank you so much for taking time to write and share your concerns about the WalMart Neighborhood market. Your email has been forwarded to the Mayor and City Council, the City Manager, as well as the responsible City department so that they may benefit from your comments.

Kind Regards,

Joanne Hall
Public Information Officer
City of Pleasanton

-----Original Message-----

From: [_Pleasanton Web Team_](#)
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 9:37 PM
To: Joanne Hall; Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Subject: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market

City of Pleasanton Website - Contact Us Online

Name: Jennifer McQueen

Email:

Category: Mayor and City Council

Subject: Walmart Neighborhood Market

Comment:

I just want to convey my support of this store. The Nob Hill site has remained empty for to long. Please approve this store.

Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:16 PM
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Janice Stern; Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Please do not approve Walmart grocery on Santa Rita

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Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 11:58 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Please do not approve Walmart grocery on Santa Rita

From:
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 9:37 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Please do not approve Walmart grocery on Santa Rita

Please do not approve Walmart grocery on Santa Rita. I feel this is not the right fit. I would rather see a business that brings in better jobs. The developer has put out a deceptive mailer stating the new Walmart will be essentially the same as Nob Hill open from 6 am to midnight , I am pretty sure Nob Hill did not keep those hours. Thanks for your time

Matt Fenzl

Pleasanton 94588

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To: **RANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:16:43 PM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 12:10 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

From: Kathleen Krieger [
Sent: Sunday, March 18, 2012 9:59 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

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Kathleen Krieger

Pleasanton, California 94566
Phone: 925

p.s.

I really feel the additional Walmart store will significantly impact other local grocery stores as well as jobs. The other stores can not compete with Walmart. Walmart leaves a bad taste in everyone's mouths. They are an unethical company. Their business practices remind me of a bulldozer in the middle of night.

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To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:17:10 PM

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Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 12:13 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

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Jeff Safire

Pleasanton, California 94588
Phone: 925

p.s.
I just don't understand why the Pleasanton City Council continues to agree to let big box stores take over this beautiful small-town community. The city originally told Walmart that in building their current store, they will not have options to expand that store for groceries or storage. So, Walmart chooses to "sneak" into a vacated grocery store a mile down the road. Why doesn't the city council listen to the immediate neighbors around this property? At least half the neighborhoods do not want Walmart around the corner from them. Walmart attracts upstanding Pleasanton citizens but, also brings in much riff-raff to their stores and parking lots. If Walmart manages to take over the previous Nob Hill store, will the city then allow overnight camping in the parking lot as is now allowed at the current Walmart store? I also have concern for the property values in these neighborhoods. Walmart stores do not exactly enhance a neighborhood in peoples' minds.

Thanks for listening, and please put something in place such as a CUP to let the community decide if the affctcs of these stores moving in will have a good or bad impact on the neighborhoods, the community and the city of Pleasanton.

Sincerely,
Jeff Safire

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Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 12:14 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
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Tanya Martin

Pleasanton, California 94588

p.s.

I do not wish to see Walmart in our community. They treat their employees poorly particularly women and gays. I also object for the points already posted here. We have a lot of new business here in our community such as Rainbow Market, Sprouts, Trader Joe's. We do not need Walmart and their practices running off many of the healthy business's that are newly established here. There is plenty of grocery here in the valley. WE DONT WANT WALMART ! Regrettably I am working and unable to attend tonights meeting or I would certainly be there

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From: Maria Hoey
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Larissa Seto; Steve Otto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
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home

Pleasanton, California 94588
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p.s.

Please! No new WalMart store in Pleasanton! One is enough, and traffic is bad enough on Santa Rita Road.

Aside from local issues, perhaps council should watch a copy of the DVD "The High Cost of Low Prices" which details some of WalMart's practices. It's a real eye-opener for a resident of a city with a robust downtown business district. As a native of a small town in northwest Pennsylvania, I've seen firsthand what a nearby WalMart can do to a downtown business district (Oil City/Franklin PA). It has turned the downtown into something closer to a ghost town. Mistake #1 would be believing WalMart's claims of "revitalizing" the area.

Is that what we want to have happen here? I don't think so.

Tom & Patti Harvey
Pleasanton CA
462-9576

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From: Yick Lo
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 12:54 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

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Pleasanton, California 94588

p.s.

The reasons that my family loves to live in Pleasanton are due to "good school district" and "good living environment". The good school district may fade out soon as the budget keeps on cutting and cutting from the States. Now, the good living environment is threatened. Wal Mart store on Sant Rita road is going to create a lot of problems. Please consider all the negative impacts! When both the good school district and good living environment are gone in Pleasanton, people start to move out and eventually will hurt the property tax for the city.

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To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: parking lot use for new Walmart Grocery Store
Date: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:19:32 PM

-----Original Message-----

From:
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 3:13 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: parking lot use for new Walmart Grocery Store

Will they allow RV vehicles and buses to park overnight?

Thank you

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:10 PM
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Janice Stern; Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Meadow Plaza - Support for Zoning Report
Attachments: 2011 Pleasanton - Zoning Report II.pdf

From: Matthew Hargrove [<mailto:mhargrove@cbpa.com>]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 8:53 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Meadow Plaza - Support for Zoning Report

Attached is a letter in support of the Meadow Plaza Zoning Report which I understand is now before the Planning Commission. If you could please distribute this letter to the appropriate individuals, I would very much appreciate. If you are not the appropriate contact point for this request, please let me know to whom it should be sent. Thank you!

Best,
Matthew

Matthew Hargrove
Senior Vice President of Governmental Affairs
California Business Properties Association
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POB 520
Pleasanton, CA 94566

Re: Support for Zoning Administrator Report; Meadow Plaza Project

Dear Mayor Hosterman and Members of the City Council:

California Business Properties Association (CBPA) asks that you uphold your Zoning Administrator's decision to allow the Meadow Plaza retail project to move forward. That space has been empty for almost two years, and in this sluggish economy finding tenants that are willing to reuse space, invest in commercial properties, and bring jobs, taxes, and shopping opportunities to residents, is very difficult.

Meadow Plaza and the City of Pleasanton should not miss out on this opportunity that would allow a tenant to reuse and upgrade a vacant property while adhering to all existing land use controls. In fact, we understand that the new tenant would literally only be changing the sign in front of the store - everything else is exactly the same as the previous tenant.

Pleasanton, like most cities across California, has been hit by the recent economic downturn. Businesses large and small continue to close their doors leaving cities with tens of thousands of square feet of vacant retail and commercial space. And with the recent elimination of Redevelopment Funds, tools cities have for attracting new businesses to existing sites are even further constricted. You have a great opportunity here to allow a private company to provide jobs and generate taxes.

Furthermore, the fact that this project is reusing a vacant building should be of great interest and further reason to accept Zoning Administrator's. Countless articles and books have been written on the benefits for communities in reusing vacated retail space - however, sometimes due to the cost to renovate and specific-use needs, reuse is at times cost prohibitive. The fact that you have a tenant willing to reuse this space - in a manner similar to the previous tenant - should be recognized as a great benefit.

Please don't discourage economic development opportunities by placing unnecessary hurdles in front of the progress of a property owner and tenant to move forward with such a project

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Thank you for taking our views into consideration.

Respectfully,

Rex S. Hime
President & CEO

Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:29 PM
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Larissa Seto; Steve Otto; Janice Stern; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Needham [mailto:Michelle.Needham@cityofpleasanton.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 3:04 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
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Michelle Needham

Pleasanton, California 94588

p.s.
To whom it may concern,
We already have one Walmart in Pleasanton! And it is located in a perfect location. The current Pleasanton location is mainly commercial and has little impact on the residential community. Please, let up keep it this way.

I have lived in Pleasanton for 22 years. I live approximately 1/4 mile from the old Nob Hill store. I absolutely do not wish to see conditions I observe at the current Walmart location trasferred into this residential community. These conditions include garbage, traffic, and especially traveling or out of town people living in RV's and other vehicles in the Walmart parking lot.

Please consider the amount of under age school traffic near this location. Santa Rita Blvd. is a direct route to Amador high school's public bus system. It carries bikers, walkers and drivers to and from Fairlands elementary, Mohr Elementary school, Hart Middle school, and Harvest Park Middle school.

Please keep our town as safe as possible and do not allow a Walmart in this residential location.

Thank you

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:30 PM
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Walmart

From: Ajay Dhillon [r]
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 9:25 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart

To

The Pleasanton Planning Commission

I support Walmart's bid to open the grocery store at the former Nob Hill location. It will help the other businesses in the shopping center and also the property owner whose property has been lying vacant for two years. Plus why are trying to discriminate against Walmart when they are opening a grocery store to replace the one which closed. I am not a big fan of Walmart and will probably never shop there but we should do the right thing and not just follow the unions.

Ajay Dhillon

Pleasanton Ca 94566

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 10:27 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Walmart

From: Gail Gamon [[1](#)]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 6:04 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Walmart

I can not attend the meeting Monday March 19th, but I wanted you to know that I support the Walmart grocery store moving in. I live right behind the shopping center and miss having a grocery store there.

Gail Gamon

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:31 PM
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Steve Otto; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: [Town Square] - Walmart Appeal

-----Original Message-----

From: warren gaisser
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 10:48 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: [Town Square] - Walmart Appeal

The person shown above has sent you a link of a discussion on the Town Square forum on PleasantonWeekly.com, along with the following message:

It would be an atrocity if you allow the unions to succeed in this concerted effort to deprive us of this market. I live in the Meadows and would certainly welcome it.

Click the following to access the sent link:

<http://www.pleasantonweekly.com/square/index.php?i=3&t=8529>

*This topic can also be accessed if you copy and paste the entire address below into your web browser.

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:32 PM
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: WalMart

-----Original Message-----

From: Rick Decker
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 2:32 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: WalMart

Dear Planning Commission,

We are very much in support of Walmart moving into the former Nob Hill site. We are also tired of the NIMBY's, who are a very small minority in our city, wanting rules/ordinances changed whenever a big company wants to move here. Their only complaint is it's WalMart. They wouldn't say a thing if Nob Hill or Raley's wanted to reopen at this site. This site has been vacant for many years and other businesses in the complex had to shut down after Nob Hill closed. Many others in this complex have seen their business drop as much as 50%! WalMart will help those businesses, hire about 90 workers and maybe other businesses will open in the complex. We should encourage any business that can bring jobs & revenue to the city. This site is very near our home and it was very convenient having Nob Hill there. We currently do 90% of our shopping at Fresh & Easy because of their good quality & lower prices than Safeway or Lucky. WalMart will force all grocery stores in town to adjust their pricing or they will lose business. We will try WalMart if they open just to see how their quality & prices compare. Competition is a good thing as are added jobs & tax revenue. Do not change the rules/ordinances we have in place to please the minority whiners who are just anti WalMart!

Thank you,
Rick & Susie Decker
Residents of Pleasanton for over 27 years

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:34 PM
To: ' PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Larissa Seto; Steve Otto; Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market

-----Original Message-----

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:06 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market

-----Original Message-----

From: _Pleasanton Web Team_
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 2:46 PM
To: Joanne Hall; Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Subject: [PLSWEB] Walmart Neighborhood Market

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Name: Marsha Grimes

Email:

Category: Mayor and City Council

Subject: Walmart Neighborhood Market

Comment:

We would like to see a Walmart Neighborhood Market move into the vacant Nob Hill location. We had the opportunity to visit one while in Gulf Shores, Alabama and it is a lovely store with beautiful fresh produce and a wide variety of brands and items our family uses. The employees were very friendly and helpful. We live in the neighborhood and like to walk to the store when possible. The other nearby markets do not meet all of our family's needs and we prefer to avoid the heavy cross-town traffic. Those who wish to shop elsewhere have many market choices. It would be nice to have a Neighborhood Market available for those who would like to shop there.

Natalie Amos

From: Peter Miller
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:51 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; Maria Hoey; Nelson Fialho; Natalie Amos
Subject: Meadow Plaza/Wal-Mart

Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, Councilmembers, Planning Commission, Mr. Fialho and Staff,

The old Nob Hill Foods was the anchor within Meadow Plaza. Nob Hill provided a mix of neighborhood consumer traffic, along with small business owners, creating a balance of economic activity, minimizing environmental impacts to the surrounding neighborhoods and providing a quality of life that we've come to expect within Pleasanton.

So here I am... as a member of the Community to voice my concerns, to those we entrust. I would beg to argue...that this is the most important right we have, as citizens, within the United States of America.

I will share my concerns in the following manner and be respectful of all parties. I know this is a struggle, a very complex situation. I only want to shed some light to assist in resolving the Meadow Plaza dilemma. I find the easiest way to understand and/or recognize the issue, is to follow along with the same tools I am using to offer information. Location Map (from Planning Commission notice) and ordinances associated with said property, Meadow Plaza.

By looking at the map, provided to neighbors, from the Planning Commission Notice of Public Hearings...these were my observations, with a question. What do you see? Hospital, Fairlands Elementary School, Fire Station #3, Iron Horse Trail, Gas Station, West Las Positas, Stoneridge Drive (both of which are on either side of Meadow Plaza along Santa Rita Rd.), five or six neighborhoods and 20-25 small businesses. But there is one more observation that stands out... the Las Positas Garden Townhouses. We are a 265 +/- owner occupied/investment property district. They were developed/built before Meadow Plaza existed. The value of Las Positas Gardens is valued in the tens of millions of dollars.

At the beginning of this week (March 12-16)...I thought sharing my concerns with those we entrust, were important. Here goes...hoping to place a clear picture for everyone concerned.

I stood at the T-intersection between 5-6am (raining) off Owens Drive and West Las Positas. Throwing an 8" ball, while on the south side of West Las Positas, backed by the wall of Las Positas Gardens...I threw ball toward the existing Wal-Mart store. Four tosses of that ball, and it ended up at Walmart. Walking back, I couldn't help seeing shopping carts, mostly Wal-Marts, spread out along entire length of Las Positas Gardens... some of which have been there for months. Proceeding to the entrance of Las Positas Gardens, from Navajo and Santa Rita Rd...throwing that ball took one toss and was squarely in the Meadow Plaza parking lot. This is strictly to provide a sense of understanding, and relationship/proximity of Las Positas Gardens, and other neighborhoods whom might be concerned of any impacts negative and/or positive within our area.

Entering the Walmart .com website... Walmart expresses the following: "Walmart Neighborhood Markets offer a quick and convenient shopping experience for customers who need groceries, pharmaceuticals, and general merchandise all at our famous Every Day Low Prices." That is an interesting statement, considering the fact that this new Walmart Neighborhood Market will employ 90-100 employees. Under Ordinance No. 1035, adopted April 8th, 1982... under Exhibit "A" #7, it reads as follows: "That only employees park in the area south and east of buildings B and D." "B" building, according to writing in ordinance, again under Exhibit "A" #37 reads "That the City reserves the right to limit the hours of operation and loading of the proposed market (building B), if after appropriate notice to the market operator, it is determined that such control is needed to protect the public health, safety, and welfare." Under Ordinance No. 1165 adopted on November 13, 1984... under the Standard Conditions of Development, dated 2/1/84... Rev. 10/84 #50 states the following: "That this development provide a safe and effective circulation system for bicycles and pedestrians. These facilities shall be designed and installed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and shall be separated from vehicular traffic whenever possible." "Whenever possible" is now!...having twice as many employees than Nob

Hill, represents less parking throughout Meadow Plaza tomorrow. The time to act is today! There are two main ways into the parking lot, that directly front the old Nob Hill Foods store... but there is only one way out. Following the sales volume of a Walmart Neighborhood Store(in other locales) will clearly show that adequate parking is necessary to stay within the parameters of Meadow Plaza ordinances to ensure minimal impacts to neighborhoods and residents.

Employee parking is understood by ordinances pertaining to said property Meadow Plaza, to be behind Mountain Mikes(39 parking places) and in front of the old Nob Hill Foods(163 parking places). It is further understood that employee parking involves the other 20-25 businesses as well, within these spaces. If that being true... 163 parking places, minus approx. 35 Walmart employees working at any one time, minus 8-10 shopping cart holding areas, minus another 10 -15 lazy shopper...leave in parking stall attitude, this leaves you about 100-110 customer parking places. McDonalds @ the freeway has 90 parking places, Trader Joe's has between 90-100 parking places, Safeway is opened up to well over 300 parking places, over 500 parking places within the entire site. Raleys, Luckys, Genes, Fresh and Easy and Ranch 99 parking lots, are in line with sales volume impacts, associated with quality of life issues. Following the sales volume of each store will justify, not allowing Walmart to occupy Meadow Plaza without an EIR(environmental impact report). I visited Walmarts Neighborhood Markets on a trip. Their parking lots were opened face, very similar to the old Nob Hill. Their parking capacity ranged from 220 parking places to 350 parking places. They had locking shopping carts with storage cart area, and multiple ways to enter site and to exit easily as well.

We as a Community rely on each other, our wonderful City Staff, our Planning Commission to sort thru documents, allowing our Elected Representatives... themselves to make an informed decision... that balances the needs of an entire Community.

It is evident that there is relevant information not coming forward to balance the needs of the surrounding area. Undermining trust, to Walmarts bottomline, is all Walmart is concerned about. Family received credit card application last week from Walmart...it was giving \$.05 off per gallon at participating Walmart gas stations.

In closing, one of you may be struggling with decision, another feels that the situation is very complex, another is without hope... but at the end of the day, my Elected Representatives and those willing to provide them information, will ultimately be the difference between real partnering and trust, and our future successes as a Community. Take care...

respectfully,
Peter Miller

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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:18 PM
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Natalie Amos; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: WAL-MART

From: JAY WITHAM []
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 11:52 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: WAL-MART

MS. HOEY
PLEASE !! Do not listen to nay sayers this is a conforming use and this is a free country. Those nay sayers are UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNION hoodlums, cut throats and thieves backed up by organized crime , they fleece the membership and screw the consumer. WAL MART is a 100% legal non union entity based on free enterprise and is sorely needed in this community to instill a competitive market place. I am a forty year resident of Pleasanton and know of what I speak.
thank you
jay witham

pleasanton ca
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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:13 PM
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Natalie Amos; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto; Steve Otto
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

-----Original Message-----

From: Milan Markovic !
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 10:05 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
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Milan Markovic

Pleasanton, California 94588
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Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:19 PM
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Natalie Amos; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery

-----Original Message-----

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 1:02 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery

-----Original Message-----

From: _Pleasanton Web Team_
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 11:50 AM
To: Joanne Hall; Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Subject: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery

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Name: Ralph Edwards

Email: _____

Category: Sound Off

Subject: Walmart Grocery

Comment:

I will be unable to attend Monday nights meeting. However, I want it known that I am in full support of a Walmart grocery on Santa Rita Rd.

There is no full service grocery in walking distance of my home and this store would definately provide a service to a senior citizen like myself.

Natalie Amos

From: Maria Hoey
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:29 PM
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Walmart

From: _____
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 2:59 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart

Hi,

I would like my voice to be heard regarding the Walmart store in the vacant Nob Hill store.

I am 100% FOR the store going in, I live in the neighborhood and I don't think the traffic will be any different than it was when Nob Hill was there, and certainly nothing like it will be when Stoneridge Dr. is made a cut through. A neighborhood grocery store will be well received from the people in my neighborhood.

Thank you,
Cleola and Larry Tyler

Pleasanton, CA 94588

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Information Request
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 4:39:33 PM

From: Michael Grossman
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 4:14 PM
To:
Cc: Maria Hoey
Subject: Information Request

Hello, Ms. Lee,

OurPleasanton.org uses your web site as intended. Your web site states: Jo continues to run the service with the constant help from the larger progressive non-profit IT community and **its commitment to transparency** and building a better world.

Please be just as committed to provide me the following information:

1. Do you have any information about OurPleasanton.org.that you could provide to me? If yes, please provide it.
2. Who is in charge, CEO, President - Name and who are the officers.
3. Who is on the board - names
4. What is the location of their headquarters, including address?
5. Where does their money come from - and/or who funds them?
6. Do they have a mission or purpose statement?
7. What is their contact information?

Sincerely,

Michael Grossman

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: OurPleasanton.org - Walmart
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 3:56:35 PM

From: Michael Grossman
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 3:54 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: OurPleasanton.org - Walmart

Hello.

I keep getting mailers (this one sent to Pleasanton residents at the 1st class rate, costing lots of money), from OurPleasanton.org.

They agitate Pleasanton residents such as our household.

I have spoken at the city council meeting and asked the labor representatives there to tell me about OurPleasanton.org.

Not one labor representative and not one opponent of Walmart was able to provide me with any information about them. They all claimed they did not know anything about OurPleasanton.org.

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7. Do you and/or the City Council allow anonymous organizations to set your agenda?

I thought organizations and people had to recognize themselves to you, giving you their name and contact and any interests they represent or lobby for.

If they are anonymous, they could be headquartered in North Korea or Iran and use this to disrupt our quiet community and American way.

Their website does not show any way to contact them or any "about us" information.

They use <http://citizenspeak.org/> to send YOU an email. On

<http://citizenspeak.org/> it shows:

CitizenSpeak is a **free** email advocacy service for grassroots organizations. **Inspired by MoveOn email campaigns**, CitizenSpeak provides the same e-advocacy capability at the community level.

You can click on About Us to learn more about CitizenSpeak . It seems anyone can use it anonymously.

From About Us on Citizen speak:

About Jo Lee - cofounder and manager of all operations.

Jo is responsible for managing all functional areas of CitizenSpeak including; sales, marketing, business development, public relations and finance. Jo brings more than 10 years of sales and marketing experience to CitizenSpeak. As a director of corporate communications and sales, Jo has held critical roles in numerous high technology public companies including VocalTec and World Online. **She currently is a principal at Green Machine PR, a marketing and public relations firm that specializes in high-tech and green-tech companies. She is deeply grateful to the rich NPO community for making CitizenSpeak possible.**

Would you or someone on your behalf please answer the questions in this email?

Sincerely,

Michael Grossman

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From: Maria Hoey
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Laussa Seto; Janice Stern; Natalie Amos; Steve Otto
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 2:59:19 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Murphy
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 2:22 PM
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Lisa Murphy

Pleasanton, California 94588

p.s.

Please protect Pleasanton's character and future by NOT letting a Walmart store open in the middle of our beautiful town.

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From: Maria Hoey
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: Steve Otto; Natalie Amos; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 2:57:55 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Timothy Schultz
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 1:31 PM
To: Mayor and City Council; ourpleasanton@yahoo.com; Maria Hoey
Subject: Protect Pleasanton from Wal Mart!

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Timothy Schultz

Pleasanton, California 94588

p.s.

I am opposed to another WalMart at the former Nob Hill location on Santa Rita Road.

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: [Janice Stern](#); [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Oking Wal-mart food store
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 2:38:13 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 12:29 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Oking Wal-mart food store

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From: _Pleasanton Web Team_
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 11:50 AM
To: Joanne Hall; Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Subject: [PLSWEB] Oking Wal-mart food store

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Name: Anne fredrickson

Email:

Category: Mayor and City Council

Subject: Oking Wal-mart food store

Comment:

I cannot make the City Council meeting concerning Wal-Mart's expansion into the old Nob Hill Food Store Center on Santa Rita Rd. I hope that in these hard economic times that you vote "YES" to let Wal Mart compete with all the other food stores to help the people in PLS who need this need Wal Mart's lower prices and are shocked at the extremely HIGH US food prices. I have lived in PLS for 25 yrs. and hope you give Wall Mart a chance. Please OK! My husband and I love Wall Mart!!!

Anne N Carl Fredrickson
Pleasanton, Ca. 94588

From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 12:01:32 PM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 10:43 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Walmart

From: bruce henry
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 6:32 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Walmart

I am puzzled as to why the City Council is spending an inordinate amount of time approving Walmart's application to open a grocery store in a building that was formerly used for exactly that purpose. While I personally don't like Walmart and probably will never shop there, they have a right to open. We cannot afford yet another lawsuit that the City will inevitably lose.

Pandering to non-residents and unions is a great way to raise money for those who aspire to higher offices. It does not, however, serve the residents of this city. Only Pleasanton residents should be allowed to address the city council and planning commission on this issue.

How about taking some meaningful action on our looming financial crisis and the cuts to city services? Spending time on social issues (Castlewood lock-out, banning plastic bags, etc.) is a cowardly way to "serve" your constituents.

Pleasanton is in significantly worse shape than when I first moved here in 1994 (reduction in services, cuts to education, armed robberies, graffiti, gang activity). By failing to address serious issues facing our city, the city council exacerbates our problems and heightens our demise.

I am particularly disappointed that I voted for Matt Sullivan. I used to believe that a city council with diverse opinions would provide better ideas than one comprised of like-minded individuals. Unfortunately, the actions of some of our current council members demonstrate no analytical thinking or discourse that results in benefits to the city.

Bruce Henry

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From: Maria Hoey
To:
Cc: Larissa Seto; Natalie Antos; Janice Stern
Subject: RE: Planning Commission
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 11:58:52 AM

Dear Ms. Ruesegger:

Thank you for your message. I referred your question to Larissa Seto, Assistant City Attorney, and she indicated that any interested party can provide input at public hearings. So the answer is yes, the Commission will receive input from all interested parties at Monday's meeting, whether they be from within or outside this community.

I have copied Larissa on this email, and you are welcome to contact her if you have further questions. Her number is (925) 931-5023; email is lseto@cityofpleasantonca.gov.

Thank you again.

Maria L. Hoey
Office Manager
Community Development Department
(925) 931-5602

-----Original Message-----

From: KATHLEEN RUEGSEGGER
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 9:16 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Planning Commission

Hi Maria, Can you tell me if the Commission is required to hear input from people who are not members of this community? This, of course, has to do with the unions gathering for Monday's meeting. Thank you!

Kathleen Ruesegger

Pleasanton, CA 94566

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Janice Stern](#); [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart Neighborhood Market - Approval
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 11:40:49 AM

From:]
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 6:25 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart Neighborhood Market - Approval

Pleasanton Planning Commission:

I am writing requesting approval for the Walmart Market. I am a resident/home owner in the neighborhood bordering the proposed market. The market is needed to service the surrounding neighborhoods as well as serving as an anchor store for the existing businesses located in the Meadow's shopping center.

Kathy Boyovich

Pleasanton, CA 94588

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Janice Stern](#); [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Please approve Walmart grocery store
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 11:40:00 AM

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From: Pleasanton Web Team
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 7:32 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: [PLSWEB] Please approve Walmart grocery store

City of Pleasanton Website - Contact Us Online

Name: Barbara Bissinger

Email:

Category: City Planning Department

Subject: Please approve Walmart grocery store

Comment:

Please approve Walmart putting a grocery store in the former Nob hill location on Santa Rita. That area needs another store, and the site has been vacant far too long.

-Barbara Bissinger
(resident,

Natalie Amos

From: Robin Neal
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 9:14 AM
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Walmart Grocery Store Support

Natalie ~

I am unable to attend the scheduled meeting on Monday. I wanted to put my support to Wal Mart.

I am a thirty year Pleasanton resident and feel there is no basis to deny them approval.

That shopping center was once **flourishing with Nob Hill**. I feel very **sorry for the business owners in there who have suffered since the loss of their anchor store.**

Please extend to the Planning Commission my feelings on this matter as a longtime Pleasanton resident/shopper.

Thank you for your time.

Robin Neal

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Natalie Amos

From: Pamela Gonzales
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 8:42 PM
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Wal-Mart Neighborhood Grocery Store

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner:

I am writing to let you know that we are in total support of the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. My husband and I have lived in Pleasanton Meadows neighborhood since 1976. We waited many, many years for the Nob Hill market to be built and were greatly saddened when Raley's shut them down a few years back. It's a shame that the building has been empty this long.

I cannot understand the approval of a new Safeway on Bernal with no "uproar" from the unions, city council or community. I am shocked by the "uproar" about a neighborhood market in the old, EMPTY Nob Hill building. We live within 2 blocks of the proposed Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market and are happy to see it coming. The sooner the better.

Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart Grocery
Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 3:39:35 PM

From: Robert Russman
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 2:43 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart Grocery

My family and I just moved from the west side of town (Hopyard and Valley) to the Ironwood section off of Busch Road. We never realized how few services were available on the east side of town.

We urge you to approve Walmart's request to replace the Nob Hill grocery store. The only argument against the move that we've heard is that it's Walmart. Clearly, Safeway cannot be too happy as it is competition and the Unions are not happy because Walmart is non-union. These are all competitive issues not involving city agencies. We believe your duty is to represent the needs of Pleasanton residents in general and the welfare of the city.

Since Walmart has complied with the site's requirements, we see absolutely no reason why they should be denied a permit.

Thank you,
Bob and Kathy Russman

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From: Maria Hoey
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart market
Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 3:39:02 PM

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From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 12:47 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: [PLSWEB] Walmart market

-----Original Message-----

From: _Pleasanton Web Team_
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 12:46 PM
To: Joanne Hall; Nelson Fialho; Pleasanton Response
Subject: [PLSWEB] Walmart market

City of Pleasanton Website - Contact Us Online

Name: carolyn garner

Email:

Category: Mayor and City Council

Subject: Walmart market

Comment:

I don't know why you have made the Walmart store such a big political issue. One grocery store is replacing another. This should have been approved months ago--it is ridiculous how many meetings/money has been spent on this issue. I object to union workers, many who are not even residents of Pleasanton, stalling this decision. We all know that Walmart hires workers that other grocery stores will not even consider hiring. This ought to be considered as a benefit of having this type of store in our community. That's in addition to allowing people in the city to have another choice where to shop for groceries. I for one will go there: and if the price is better at Safeway, I'll shop there. Let the citizens of Pleasanton determine a grocery store's success or failure.

Carolyn Garner

Pleasanton, CA

From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: walmart grocery store
Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 3:38:27 PM

From: Carolyn Garner [
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 12:36 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: walmart grocery store

To the planning commission:

I don't know why you have made the Walmart store such a big political issue. One grocery store is replacing another. This should have been approved months ago. I object to union workers stalling this decision. We all know that Walmart hires workers that other grocery stores will not even consider hiring. This ought to be considered as a benefit of having this type of store in our community. That's in addition to benefiting people in the city to have another choice where to shop for groceries. I for one will go there: and if the price is better at Safeway, I'll shop there. Let the citizens of Pleasanton determine a grocery store's success or failure.

Carolyn Garner

Pleasanton, CA

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Please approve the Walmart at the old Nob Hill Center
Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 10:44:42 AM

From: Elizabeth Dallmann
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 10:29 AM
To: Maria Hoey; Mayor and City Council
Subject: Please approve the Walmart at the old Nob Hill Center

Dear Planning Commission and City Council,

My husband and I have lived in Pleasanton for 17 years. While seeing ourselves as still newcomers, we have also seen the old grocery store on Vineyard/Bernal stay empty the majority of the time we have lived here. None of the residents want to see that happen in the Nob Hill Center. We live in the Mohr Park neighborhood, and have truly missed having a grocery store in the Nob Hill Center. We are customers of a number of the other businesses in the center and have gotten to know the managers and owners of those shops. Those businesses are hurting because of the lack of an anchor store. We urge you and the city council to not listen to the loud non-resident voices complaining about the Walmart plan, but to the residents and business owners impacted by the lack of a store at that location. Think of the much needed tax revenue for the city, and employment for Pleasanton residents. Please listen to the silent majority that are not yelling in your ear about unions.

Sincerely,
Mike & Elizabeth Dallmann

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: [Natalie Amos](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Steve Otto](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Proposed Wal-Mart in old Nob Hill location
Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 9:33:37 AM

From:
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2012 9:33 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Proposed Wal-Mart in old Nob Hill location

Patricia Moosbrugger
10 year Pleasanton resident

I am in favor of allowing Wal-Mart, or any other grocery chain, to open a grocery store in the shopping center at Santa Rita Rd and West Las Positas Blvd. Our neighborhood needs this grocery store, and the shopping center needs a healthy anchor store so that all the businesses there can thrive and provide services to this part of town.

Thank you.

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Walmart grocery
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 12:08:34 PM

From:
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 10:21 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart grocery

As a 35 yr resident of Pleasanton, I want to express my total approval of the Walmart grocery store.

How can there even be any question about this when it is a grocery store replacing a grocery store.

They are proposing no design or operation changes.

It is a known fact that if this is denied Walmart will sue the city of Pleasanton and win.

Fresh Choice and Ranch 99 did not face such obstacles when they opened their stores.

This is a grocery store replacing a grocery store.

How in the world can this be denied?

Please approve this grocery store. The residents want another grocery store there.

And it is the right thing to do

Jennifer McQueen

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From: Maria Hoey
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Natalie Amos; Janice Stern; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Walmart Store
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 5:39:05 PM

From: Kathy Bennett
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 2:35 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart Store

The Walmart application to open a store at the former Nob Hill site is approved & must not be overturned, do not cave in to Union activism

Thank you
Kathy Bennett

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From: Maria Hoey
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Janice Stern; Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Wal-Mart Grocery - APPROVE
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 5:38:31 PM

From: Rick Schussel
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 2:14 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Wal-Mart Grocery - APPROVE

I Urge the Planning Commission to ALLOW Wal-Mart to move forward with their plans for their Neighborhood Market.

I am dismayed that opponents to this grocery store are 'bussing' in outside union members to argue against the project. (per quote in the Pleasanton Weekly).

Local citizens should make the decisions – and outside influence should be ignored.

This is a GOOD project period. It has been approved by staff and the council. Time for leadership by the commission and to vote to APPROVE the project, which will adhere to the same conditions as the previous store. There should be no further discussion.

We want and need the store.

Please APPROVE this project for Pleasanton!

Rick Schussel
Parkside Neighborhood
Pleasanton

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: **PLANNING COMMISSION**
Cc: [Steve Otto](#); [Natalie Amos](#); [Janice Stern](#); [Larissa Seto](#)
Subject: FW: Please approve Wal-Mart
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 5:29:13 PM

From: Dorothy Philipovitch
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 1:19 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Please approve Wal-Mart

Please let me decide where I want to shop. Personally, I think a Wal-Mart grocery is a great addition to Pleasanton.

Thanks.

Dorothy Philipovitch

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From: Maria Hoey
To: PLANNING COMMISSION
Cc: Natalie Amos; Steve Otto; Janice Stern; Larissa Seto
Subject: FW: Walmart
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 5:28:35 PM

From: Frank Lynn
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 1:04 PM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: Walmart

- > Please approve Walmart grocery store.
- > Pleasanton has no discount grocer such as Grocery Outlet or Foodmaxx. Our working poor and senior populations are underserved; this business would fill in a gap.
- > Planning hearing should only be about planning related issues - e.g., proposed signage, parking or traffic impact - not union vs. non-union of the business.
- > It's evident that Walmart will sue Pleasanton if you don't approve them to open a grocery store in a site that was previously a grocery store. We shouldn't chance a lawsuit that we would surely lose.

Best,
Frank Lynn
Valley Trails

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From: [Maria Hoey](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Meeting
Date: Monday, March 12, 2012 5:12:41 PM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 10:00 AM
To: Maria Hoey
Subject: FW: Meeting

From:
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 9:57 AM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meeting

Please explain to me why the meeting for the Walmart grocery store is being moved to a larger location to accommodate the busloads of union people that are protesting the opening of this store? What is the councils thinking about allowing these union people to speak and voice their opposition to this store when they don't even live here in Pleasanton?

Those that don't live here and won't be affected by this store have absolutely no right to be heard.

As a 35 year resident of this town, this whole Walmart issue is the most ridiculous thing that has ever been before the council. Walmart is planning to make no changes to the Nob Hill site. They are not asking for the city to approve any modifications.

If Nob Hill was allowed to operate then why not Walmart? What right do the unions have to try to stop this.

Let the residents of this town decide if they want this store...not a bunch of union thugs bused in from other cities.

This is ridiculous!

Why are you giving them special treatment? Ahhh, perhaps Safeway has the biggest voice.

What kind of reviews did the market in the Vintage Hills site have to go through to open? What about Fresh Choice or Ranch 99?

This has been the hottest topic in this town in a long long time.

Just remember folks, the residents of Pleasanton will make their voices known loud and clear come election time.

Jennifer McQueen

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Natalie Amos

From: Nick Eman
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 2:34 PM
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: RE: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery

Dear Ms. Amos,

I have one more thing to add.

About November 2010, the Planning Commission approved Planned Unit Development (PUD-82*18) allowing an increase in the total square feet of medical office uses from 12,000 square feet to 31,500 square feet. An increase of 2.6 times the old office space - therefore - an increase of 2.6 times the traffic. There was no opposition to this increase.

Medical offices usually are not unionized. There was no opposition to the non-unionization by unionized labor organizations.

Since the approval of Planned Unit Development (PUD-82*18) seemed to be a no-brainer for the Planning Commission and the residents, it should also be a no-brainer to replace the defunct Nob Hill grocery store with a Walmart Grocery store at no increase in space or traffic than the Nob Hill grocery had.

How do you justify a 2.6 times increase in building space (environmental) and an increase of 2.6 times the traffic to the Walmart grocery which has no increase in traffic or environmental concerns, as compared to the previous occupant, Nob Hill?

The union/labor opposition is a blatant singling out and discrimination only against the Walmart Company - nothing else.

Please note, one of those appealing to you is Angela Willmes. She has only lived in their home one year, after your approval of Planned Unit Development (PUD-82*18).

It is too far for Angela Willmes and her husband to walk. No one forced them to buy a home with Stoneridge Drive as their main artery in and out. They knew what the traffic was like before they bought and knew that Staples Ranch will be built soon and Stoneridge Dr. will go to Livermore soon. They knew Nob Hill was vacant and would, most likely, be developed into a profit producing entity and tax base for the City. They bought anyway.

Please pass this on to the Planning Commission.

Best Regards,

Nick Eman

> From: namos@cityofpleasantonca.gov
> To:
> Date: Mon, 12 Mar 2012 10:32:35 -0700
> Subject: RE: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery
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> Dear Mr. Eman,
>
> Thank you for your comments regarding the WalMart Neighborhood Grocery store. Your email has been provided to the Planning Commission for their consideration.
>
> Kindest regards,
> Natalie

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 >
 > Natalie Amos| Associate Planner, AGBP
 >
 > CITY OF PLEASANTON
 > Community Development Department
 > Planning Division
 > P.O. Box 520 / 200 Old Bernal Avenue
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 > (P) 925.931.5613| (F) 925.931.5483
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 > -----Original Message-----
 > From: _Pleasanton Web Team_
 > Sent: Friday, March 09, 2012 6:32 PM
 > To: Maria Hoey
 > Subject: [PLSWEB] Walmart Grocery
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 > City of Pleasanton Website - Contact Us Online
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 > Name: Nick Eman
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 > Email:
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 > Category: Planning Commission
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 > Subject: Walmart Grocery
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 > Comment:
 > I attended the 2-7-12 meeting and spoke in favor of the Walmart Grocery. I can't attend the appeal meeting. This is what the opposition is hoping for - that favorable voices will not be heard and do not have the time and funding behind them to continue making their voices heard.
 > I can walk to Walmart, and have walked to Nob Hill. I have lived here in the same home for 24 years.
 > 1. You are replacing a grocery store with a grocery store.
 > 2. The Walmart not only adds to your tax base and employment but it will increase business at the other stores in the shopping center.
 > 3. Angela Willmes and Linda Martin have appealed the City Council decision. It is too far for Angela Willmes and her husband to walk. They have only lived in their home one year. No one forced them to buy a home with Stoneridge Drive as their main artery in and out. They knew what the traffic was like before they bought and knew that Staples Ranch will be built soon and Stoneridge Dr. will go to Livermore soon.
 >
 > If Mr. and Mrs. Willmes have buyers remorse, move to another home, in a neighborhood full of union members and very little traffic. Maybe they could move to a unionized neighborhood of horse ranches, farms, vineyards, or livestock.
 > 4. Linda Martin is the president of Domar Inc, Sp Services, Inc., and Martin Technical Services, Inc., all located at 5000 Hopyard Rd. Ste. 420. I did not find other officers listed or any employees. She can't walk to Walmart either.
 > Since her three companies are located across Hopyard from Hacienda Business Park, why doesn't she complain about all the businesses in Hacienda Business Park that are not unionized and cause traffic problems? Isn't it easier, shorter, less traffic, and more convenient for her to go south on Hopyard to Lucky's and Gene's than to go cross town to the proposed Walmart Grocery (which she wouldn't go to anyway)?
 > 5. If enough union advocates do not shop at Walmart Grocery, then it will go out of business. If, however, Pleasanton residents choose (freedom of choice) to shop at Walmart Grocery, then it will thrive. If Walmart Grocery thrives:
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 > A. That doesn't mean that Lucky's, Safeway, Gene's, Trader Joes, Fresh Express, 99 Market and other places that sell food, like, Walgreens, CVS and Rite Aid will not thrive too. If the economy continues to pick up, all should thrive or they have a bad business plan and poor service.
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 > Example:
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 > 1. Trader Joes is a parking accident waiting to happen and a safety concern.

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- > 2. Safeway has no control over what the warehouse sends them, when it is sent, and the condition of what is sent to the stores. They are out of sale items their warehouse doesn't send, corn sent is soaking wet, items on the shelf are outdated by up to a week and the milk leaks, spilling in your car or in the bag. Safeway's prices are inflated. Safeway, headquartered in Pleasanton, chose to close its Pak N Save store in Dublin, which sold the same Safeway merchandise for a lower cost and replace it with more upscale and inflated price Safeways to gouge the customer, increase its bottom line and make its executives rich at the customer's expense. If I had a choice I would still go to Pak N Save and not Walmart, but, Safeway took the Pak N Save choice away from me and the community in which it is headquartered.
- >
- > B. If Pleasanton residents choose to shop at Walmart Grocery; that is their right and choice.
- > 6. My choice is to have Walmart Grocery in my backyard. My choice of Pak N Save was obliterated by Safeway Headquarters. In my opinion, bad choice Safeway Headquarters - you live with it. Maybe Safeway would like to open a Pak N Save in the old Nob Hill grocery facility, after all, Safeway still has Pak N Save stores and makes a good profit from the ones it still has.
- > 7. This smells of a union against Walmart fight and has nothing to do with the best interests of Pleasanton residents.
- > 8. Will the city set a precedent to stop all non-union stores from opening in Pleasanton? What about the non-union stores already here?
- > 9. My neighbor works for Walmart - for 8-years. She and her husband love it. They own their home and pay the taxes that come with home ownership, as I do.
- >
- > Approve Walmart Grocery, Please.
- >
- >

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Natalie Amos

From:
Sent: Sunday, March 11, 2012 3:11 PM
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: Walmart Store

Dear Ms Amos,

Is it required to attend the 3/19/12 meeting in order to formally voice my opinion on the proposed Walmart Store at the Santa Rita location between W. Las Positas and Stoneridge Dr.?

I will be traveling out of town and I'm not certain I will be back in time to attend the scheduled meeting.

I am opposed to the Walmart Store. I believe it will detract from the quality of the neighborhood and lower the standard of the area.

Walmart is well known for having lower prices, but what many do not acknowledge is that the corporation does this by selling inferior quality products. See the article in the Sunday edition of the Contra Costa Times in the book review of "American Way of Eating" written by a former Walmart employee who confirms that second rate produce is sold. As stated by the author "But the produce sold at the Wal-Mart where she works is second-rate, often slimy, mushy or merely bland. "Walmart doesn't always have the freshest stuff," one manager says to her. "That's how we keep the prices low."The produce management is so sloppy that "the newer among us are still working our way from recognition to acceptance, as if advancing through the stages of grief." http://www.contracostatimes.com/cj_20115355/american-way-eating-author-takes-an-undercover-look

Review the numerous recalls announce by the FDA and see how frequently items implicated were sold through Walmart stores. This is not a coincidence, but to be expected when one deals with businesses, such as Walmart's suppliers, that cut corners on the quality in an effort to make a low cost product.

Walmart's reputation as a poor paying employer whose employees are unable to earn enough to do anything more than struggle to get by is well documented. Visit the local Walmart on Owens and look at how many of the employees commute from outside the area. Walmart is not an employer that will offer jobs that pay well enough for the local residents.

As a property owner in the area I have had tenants and prospective tenants that have stated they would not consider living in the neighborhood if it were located closer to Walmart. Low cost stores such as Walmart attract a lower economic demographic than currently resides in the area. This is not the kind of business we wish to attract to our neighborhood. People live in Pleasanton for the better quality and standard of living the city offers. I believe the quality family housing and neighborhood that many of us strive to maintain and encourage as well as property values will be threatened by the presence of a Walmart store as people move out of the area to get away from the negative element that is an integral part of the Walmart businesses.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charlotte Leong
Property owner Las Positas Garden Townhouses

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From: [Natalie Amos](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Meadow Plaza
Date: Thursday, May 03, 2012 9:09:28 AM

From: Becky Andrus
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 5:33 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meadow Plaza

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I am unable to attend the hearing for the Meadows Plaza grocery store hearing, but would like to voice my support in bringing BACK the grocery store to the neighborhood. Thank you.

Becky Andrus

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From: [Natalie Amos](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Meadow Plaza Wal Mart
Date: Thursday, May 03, 2012 9:09:46 AM

From: Cele Gutierrez
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 8:01 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meadow Plaza Wal Mart

I cannot attend the meeting on May 7, but I want you to know that I am strongly in favor of the Wal Mart Grocery store in Meadow Plaza. As a Pleasanton Meadows homeowner, I am anxious to have a grocery store near my home again. When Nob Hill closed I began shopping at Gene's. They have the neighborhood market service and feel that I prefer.

I find it disturbing that a City official would challenge the Wal Mart store based on their employment policies. Wal Mart pays a lawful wage and has no legal obligation to provide benefits or cater to any union. So unless Pleasanton has the power to supercede the State or Federal employment mandates, the Wal Mart Neighborhood grocery store should be approved. Let the marketplace determine if they are to be successful or not.

Thank you for allowing us to have input in this matter.

Cecilia Gutierrez

Pleasanton

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From: [Natalie Amos](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Meadow Plaza Hearing
Date: Thursday, May 03, 2012 9:10:00 AM

From: Kevin Andrus
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 5:35 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meadow Plaza Hearing

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I am unable to attend the hearing for the Meadows Plaza grocery store hearing, but would like to voice my support in bringing BACK the grocery store to the neighborhood. Thank you.

Kevin Andrus

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From: [Natalie Amos](#)
To: [Natalie Amos](#)
Subject: FW: Meadow Plaza
Date: Thursday, May 03, 2012 9:10:19 AM

From: Sally Leighton
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 5:01 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meadow Plaza

I am unable to come to the meeting on May 7, 2012, regarding the grocery store in the vacant Nob Hill building. I STRONGLY SUPPORT the effort to bring a Walmart grocery store to this location.

I understand the issue of Walmart being non-union, but the chances of bringing in a union supported store to this location seems unlikely and many of us need this option for shopping. I'm living on a fixed income, and the opportunity to find the least expensive grocery prices is important to me.

Those who choose not to shop at Walmart can go elsewhere, but we shouldn't have this choice taken from us!

Sally Leighton

Pleasanton, CA 94588

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From: Maria Hoey
To: Natalie Amos
Subject: FW: Meadow plaza
Date: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 3:58:16 PM

From: Joanne Hall
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 2:26 PM
To: Irving Affeldt; Mayor and City Council
Cc: Maria Hoey
Subject: RE: Meadow plaza

Dear Mr. Affeldt,

Thank you very much for your valuable input regarding a WalMart Neighborhood Grocery in Meadows Plaza. This message acknowledges receipt of your email. Please rest assured that the City Council will have the benefit of your comments.

Kind Regards,

Joanne Hall
Public Information Officer
City of Pleasanton

From: Irving Affeldt
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2012 1:02 PM
To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: Meadow plaza

Dear Council Members,

I urge to put this nonsense regarding the grocery store in Meadow Plaza, this area needs the return of a grocery store in this area. I respect the union labor concept, however they had their chance with Raley's and failed. Wal-mart might not be my first choice but they are the ones that want to step up and get it done. Our other nearest store is Fresh & Easy who has no check out help and is not user friendly for the elderly. Trader Joe's parking is a disaster waiting to happen. **Please support the Wal-mart locating in Meadow Plaza.**

Irving Affeldt
a 43 year resident of Pleasanton Meadows.

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From: Pamela Gonzales
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To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: FW: Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market -- P12-0113

Mayor and City Council Members:

Matt Sullivan should NOT be appealing the Planning Commission's decision to allow a full service grocery market (specifically WalMart Neighborhood Market) into the old Nob Hill building in Meadows Plaza. He is wasting valuable time and city resources. Do not consider his appeal!

Sincerely,

Pam Gonzales
Pleasanton Meadows Resident

From: _____
To: namos@ci.pleasanton.ca.us
Subject: Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market -- P12-0113
Date: Wed, 18 Apr 2012 18:53:34 -0700

I am writing to let you know that we continue to totally support the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market opening at the former Nob Hill site. My husband and I have lived in Pleasanton Meadows neighborhood since 1976. We waited many, many years for the Nob Hill market to be built and were greatly saddened when Raley's shut them down a few years back. It's a shame that the building has been empty this long.

I cannot understand why Councilmember Matt Sullivan continues to object to the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. I guess I would ask the city council why Mr. Sullivan did not object to the Dollar Store in the same manner that he is objecting to Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. It would appear that he has a personal problem with Wal-Mart and perhaps should reclude himself from further votes.

As stated previously, we live within 2 blocks of the proposed Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market and are happy to see it coming. The sooner the better.

Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

From: _____

To: namos@ci.pleasanton.ca.us
Subject: Former Nob Hill Shopping Center
Date: Wed, 4 Apr 2012 15:40:02 -0700

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner

I am writing to find out how a "Dollar Store" received approval without any notification to surrounding neighbors. I find it "odd" that I received at least 2 mailings on the Wal-Mart Store and none on the "Dollar Store".

What is the process? The new "Dollar Store" site used to be an exercise place not a retail store so "use" is definitely different. Please advise.

Thank you

Pam Gonzales

Pleasanton, CA 94588

From: ..
To: namos@ci.pleasanton.ca.us
Subject: Wal-Mart Neighborhood Grocery Store
Date: Tue, 13 Mar 2012 20:42:05 -0700

Natalie Amos, Associate Planner:

I am writing to let you know that we are in total support of the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market. My husband and I have lived in Pleasanton Meadows neighborhood since 1976. We waited many, many years for the Nob Hill market to be built and were greatly saddened when Raley's shut them down a few years back. It's a shame that the building has been empty this long.

I cannot understand the approval of a new Safeway on Bernal with no "uproar" from the unions, city council or community. I am shocked by the "uproar" about a neighborhood market in the old, EMPTY Nob Hill building. We live within 2 blocks of the proposed Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market and are happy to see it coming. The sooner the better.

Thank you.

Pam Gonzales

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