

Date: 10/17/24

To: Caitlin Corley, City Clerk

Cc: Olivia Ervin, Principal Environmental Planner;
Greg Powell, Principal Planner
Isabel Castellano, Preservation Specialist

From: Bill Rinehart

Subject: Draft EIR, Downtown Housing and Economic Opportunity Overlay and EKN Appellation Hotel

Dear City Clerk and Planning Team,

Please accept this comment even though the public hearings on the DEIR have passed. If the DEIR had not been circulated at exactly the same time as the General Plan Update's draft Land Use Policy Framework, I would have submitted this prior to the hearings. I understand the comment period has been extended through 10/21/24 and submit the following, for the record:

Petaluma's historic character is an asset that creates unique economic opportunity in its own right, and our economic vitality as a community depends on its preservation and protection. While I support downtown housing, increased density, taller buildings, and re-development of several parcels, I strongly believe the analysis provided in the Draft EIR, is not adequate to fully understand or evaluate the overlay's potential impacts on Petaluma's historic resources. Furthermore, the mitigation measures are insufficient to adequately protect the integrity of the historic districts as a whole, or the individual properties which are recognized either as significant, or potentially significant.

The U.S. Secretary of the Interior and The California State Office of Historic Preservation recommended that analysis for this level of planning within or around historic districts needs to include a "Historic Context Statement" and a detailed "Historic Resources Inventory" (including survey, evaluation of potential significance, and designation of significant resources). The Historic Resources Specialist who prepared the HCRR for the study area (Painter Preservation Planning), and the professional consultants retained for Petaluma's General Plan Update (Page and Turnbull) have also made this specific recommendation. For more information on the value, purpose, and standards for these analyses, follow this link: https://ohp.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=23317

Not only is this level of evaluation necessary to understand potential impacts, it will also provide prospective developers with important background information needed to invest with confidence. It may also streamline their entitlement process if the analysis has already been completed, and significant resources are identified. Since this zoning overlay is intended to be a creator of "Economic Opportunity", a Context Statement and Historic Resources Inventory should be considered critical path toward facilitating downtown economic growth, and should be integral to this EIR.

The "Historic Built Environment Impacts Assessment", which was conducted for the hotel site only, concludes that the proposed hotel will have "less than significant impact" on the surrounding district, but does not evaluate the hotel in its context as the gateway to two designated historic districts. How can this conclusion possibly be drawn without a Historic Context Statement. Similarly, the "Cultural Resources Data Tables" included in Appendix B are inadequate. In addition to many errors and the lack

of a “key” to interpret the data, this is just the first step in creating the inventory needed to properly plan for such development intensification within and surrounding a nationally registered historic district.

The EIR and proposed mitigation measures rely heavily on the CUP and HSPAR processes to be applied to specific project proposals, as they are submitted. Without a Historic Context Statement and Design Guidelines, the HSPAR and CUP processes are not equipped to evaluate proposals of this scale. It’s further stated that Historic Resources Evaluations would be conducted on specific parcels which might be directly impacted by the proposal. This piece-meal approach is inadequate to evaluate the potential impacts of this level of up-zoning on a district. No consideration or mitigation measures are provided to protect the overall district from the indirect long-term impact and degradation from potential build-out of multiple opportunity sites within and surrounding the historic districts.

There is some mis-information and implication that “The General Plan will take care of this”. This is not true. As you know, the General Plan only sets goals and policies, and recommends actions supporting these goals and policies. It requires an initiative to actually execute the recommended action. This up-zoning proposal constitutes just such an initiative and there is absolutely a nexus supporting this level of analysis. Our existing General Plan policy 3-P-1-d calls for conducting “...a comprehensive, city-wide survey...for the purposes of creating an historic resource inventory”. Certification of the EIR without adequate survey would be in conflict with this policy as well as policies 3-P-5 and 3-P-6. Additionally, this survey along with a Historic Context Statement, has again been recommended by the current general plan specialist. Any rationalization that kicks this important analysis down the road, or ignores these policies and recommendations indicates that this proposal is not really intended to serve the city, but instead just to pave the way for a single application (EKN Appellation Hotel).

A Historic Context Statement and a detailed Historic Resources Inventory (including survey, evaluation of potential significance, and designation of significant resources) need to be developed in accordance with State and Federal guidelines, and approved by the HCPC prior to certification of the EIR. If this timeline is not feasible, additional mitigation measures need to be added stating this will be completed, along with an update of Petaluma’s “Historic Commercial District Design Guidelines”, prior to consideration of any application for a proposed building taller than 45’ or with lot coverage greater than 80%

Thank you for your consideration of this matter, and for taking the necessary steps to adequately protect Petaluma’s priceless historic character and integrity.

Regards,

Bill Rinehart

From: [Peter Tscherneff](#)
To: -- City Clerk; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; [Suzanne Terry](#); [Elece Hempel](#)
Subject: Strikingly Beautiful (plz share)
Date: Monday, October 14, 2024 3:49:44 PM

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STRiKiNGLY Beautiful & Blessings

**As Above so to Below, As within so too Thru-out...
On Earth as it is in Heaven 40 day Freedom
Strike Leaven**

**Striking it Rich via Lucky Strike... as I pulled my
finger out of the Dike.... I know the gods as I knew
the Odds they were at least 80 – 1...**

**Yet the Richness incited as by Spirit ignited... He
conquered the day as He shone as the Sun...**

**Prophecy unleashed for All to See.... Such Fires &
Floods cleansing by Authority...**

**My unbeatable Warriors Abound as the opposition
they surround...**

**These Righteous Warriors upon Painted Ponies.....
Be hunting down thru every town all manner of evil
dreck so to their cronies.... Truth & Love All
Strength & Freedom thru their Being Courses...
Unseen Dog Soldiers & Special Forces upon
Almighty Horses...**

**I am Peter Black Wolf I am Commanding “Open this
Door ending All War in the name of Great Spirit**

**Almighty so too every Goddess that rank the same
as Our Lady of America & Aphrodite...**

**With Lightening & Thunder from Beyond & Down
..... I am shredding all Deceivers illusions
ASUNDER..... While returning to True Hearts all ill
gotten Plunder..**

**Thru the 40 Day Freedom Strike Command into the gardens
w Freedom & Liberty found in the Promised Land...**

**Being Northern California the finest Spot in this
world, Paid for & Honored w the Red White & Blue
unfurled**

**And at its Heart being Sonoma County.... Home of
the Vegan Peanuts Gang & Luther Burbanks
Bounty....**

**Attaining Justice for All including Most importantly
Almighty's Life Loving Creatures having forever ended
factory farms & slaughterhouses w all its Bloodlust
features...**

**Having United the greatest Warriors from Heaven &
Earth....We embraced & witnessed the Spiritual Birth**

**Amparame Diosa Amparame Diosa Amparame Diosa
the Power Love & Light of Christ never contained**

**Thru the Strumming & Drumming that accompanied
the Second Coming nary a shadow remained....**

**All Time is Now & Now is the Time... I am Peter I am servant
calling "Elevate Spiritual Seeings via Unconditional Love for**

All Life Loving Beings.....Let us meet & Greet within the ever increasing Genesis gardens... Such a beautiful Resolution being the Greatest ever Garden Party welcoming Liberty & Freedom & Leonard Peltier w/ Our US Constitution..... Narrow being the Gate fulfilling Destiny's Date AHO

From: [Peter Tscherneff](#)
To: -- City Clerk; [Suzanne Terry](#); [REDACTED]; [Elece Hempel](#); [REDACTED]
Subject: Hunters Moon (plz shar)
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BLACK WOLF MORNING STAR HUNTER'S MOON

**As the Matrix media projects never ending Lies.....
... addressing "Symptomologies" to clog your
commonsense as mis-direction it
contrives..... Black Wolf Morning Star
presently Arisen yes Arrives..**

**Abra ha Dabra Hocus Pocus Over Here now Re-
Focus**

**Shall we remain groping via a bible repurposed to
confusion... Shall we entertain an American Revival
or remain blind in confusion ???**

**Listen learn discern or Burn... if for Freedom &
Liberty You truly Yearn...**

**The Ethiopion bible features 88 books... in altering
truth be a service to crooks... 66 books in the bible
king James... I thought the Tea Party eliminated the
influence of those weasels by the River Thames....**

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**The media has most looking over there... well have a
genuine Care... so very many & so much confusion
surrounding Israel... the author of confusion be
Sataniel... while we in America DISREGARD the
nature of our Cracked Liberty Bell... as both nations
continue war w Women & children continue to sell**

**Do You hear the Crying Voice in the Heart that
NEEDS to be Heard... & acted upon as Priority not**

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2 or 3 ...

I am Peter Black Wolf I am commanding Freedom for Leonard Peltier.... I am servant I am the Seer... Warriors get your game in Gear...

Pay attention as I clarify this news... regarding Christian Zionists & Zionist Jews... seems the world be singing the Blues.. for both they and those who oppose... to be placed on their knees as Christ thru Great Spirit Arose...

This includes NATO & AIPAC & United Nations America being being throttled in attaining the Highest Stations... for ALL have long opposed the Greatest carpenter Master... you think this be why the world be now a Disaster ?

Jordan's King Abdullah bin Al Hussein called on the UN to plead.... While he & all others disregarding Loving Mothers in service to Greed....Rebbe of Lubavitch claims the Jews turned their back on God as most all religions experience infiltrated Fraud...

While Rebbe Gabriel Cousens be TRUTHFUL as One of the Essenes.. the path of the Vegan be Beautiful True Spirit gleans.. Being Spiritually Dutiful is what that means...

The Greatest numbers of Jews being True are dark even Black... The true battleground be California not Israel, Jordan or Iraq... the Tsalagi be the Lost Tribe yes from Egypt be thee Cherokee connected Peltier by blood & how many American Indigenous are Black, Black, Purple Black... So silent Dog Soldiers so fierce the attack.... Here's more news... within a breath of the Hunter's Moon brings serious Coups... So what more can I say... this moment be awaited & ripe by the Dine

Drums Drumming Guitars Strumming... Second Coming AHO

From: [Julia Cort](#)
To: [-- City Clerk](#); [Kevin McDonnell](#); [Peggy Flynn](#); [Bjorn Griepenburg](#); [Barnacle, Brian](#); [Miller, Brian](#); [Janice Cader-Thompson](#); [John Shribbs](#); [Jeff Stutsman](#); [Karen Nau](#); [Mike Healy](#); [Dennis Pocekay](#)
Subject: Today crossing D Street
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Hello City Council,

Photos below are another example of why removing parking for designated bike lanes on D is a bad idea. So Unfair. And dangerous!

These laborers were forced by your decision to have to move heavy buckets of dirt across this busy arterial street. I saw them dodging traffic today.

And this is so that a few cyclists can ride their bikes on D instead of taking an alternate route on B or F Street.

Regards,
Julia Cort

Sent from my iPhone









DEAD
END

Friedman's
HOME IMPROVEMENT

Friedman's
HOME IMPROVEMENT

Nordina Lemon Lime
Lemon Lime Scented
100% Natural
100% Natural
100% Natural

From: [Oona Squire](#)
To: [-- City Clerk](#)
Subject: City Council Meeting 10/21 -Sports synthetic turf fields - tire-derived crumb rubber.
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Hi Petaluma city council members.

My son plays soccer at the petaluma city sports complex. A great addition to the city. I am very concerned with the material of the field, mainly the black ground up material that the fake grass pokes through. My son comes home with it all over his body and i worry about the chemicals going into his skin. They release microplastics and are being banned in Europe. We went to a field in Sonoma the other day that had cork ground up instead of tire. I hear they also make them out of coconut husk. If Petaluma is dedicated to the health of its residents (especially children) please commit to never use the tire rubber again in any turf field in Petaluma and use an alternate less harmful material. If the cost is too great for the switch i would ask that the city asks the petaluma community to raise the money for the difference. I worry about my son in the heat absorbing the off gas of the tires. I'm all for recycling tires but in a way that doesn't bring skin in contact with them. Please ban the use of tire-derived crum rubber in artificial turf fields as well as any place it can come in contact with children in Petaluma asap.

For more information please read this:

https://cehn.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Crumb-Rubber-and-Artificial-Turf_Dec2017.pdf

Thanks for listening,

Oona Eldridge-Squire