

To the City Clerk,

This comment is in regards to a project in the planning stages that is located on the corner of Calle Real and Los Carneros.

I spoke on the phone to Christine McQuire who is the Planner in charge. She said that I should go through you for public comment.  
That it would get forwarded to her.

I am firmly against having the proposed building built.

It is too high. Three stories block the view while traveling along Calle Real or Los Carneros.

It would stand out like a sore thumb next to the one story building neighbor.  
Of the 14 units, only two are affordable housing. If ever built, they all should be made affordable.

Where will the water come from?

Where will the parking be for all of these people?

More congestion. More ugliness.

Goleta is losing it's charm and appeal with all of the massive amounts of recent building.

Another comment;

The storage unit being built right next to the freeway is an abomination. I cringe every time I drive by it.

Everyone that I know feels the same way.

The city needs to have a building code similar to Santa Barbara, that keeps buildings much further away for the freeway.

Thank you.

Michael Kelly  
560 Chadwick Way  
Goleta

To the City Planners of Goleta:

This proposed development defies common sense. There is no room on this piece of land for apartments or cars. Why destroy a decent looking roundabout with more and more cars and confusion.

I voted for Goleta to become a city, thinking it would be for the good of people living in this Good Land. However, it's usually the out of town developers who only have the almighty dollar in mind and care less about the community,.

Another eyesore is the three huge buildings being built parallel to Calle Real on Hwy 101.

City planners, wake up before lovely Goleta is destroyed!

A concerned Goleta resident since 1973,

Nancy Szulczewski 5865 Berkeley Rd. Goleta, CA 93117

Dear Council Member,

I am writing to you in opposition to this proposed project.

I have lived in Goleta most of my life and continue to see the rapid destruction of our beautiful valley. This is a continuation of the irresponsible growth in Goleta.

Just look at the crumbling infrastructure, traffic, crime and so on. Crumbling bike paths and roads and now you want to add to this with another multistory project ignoring the issues that this brings?

Enough! Let's fix the issues destroying Goleta, then and only then should you come to us to bless adding to the problem.

I want our quality of life back and this is just another step in the wrong direction! Let's focus on the community you serve and start with Fireworks on the 4th, safe roads and such. You are creating a living environment like Los Angeles with none of the benefits.

Again ENOUGH!

Let's get our priorities back in line!

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**Public Comment No.4**

Hi Christina, is there a location I can see the various design plans/views?

I'm generally in favor of additional housing although that location could be a safety issue with traffic flow around the circle depending on how the entry and exit location on the property are proposed.

I'd also bet 20 parking spots may force the extra parking to flow into the neighbor's property so potential agreement up front might help future interactions... unless the owners are the same ...

Thank you,

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**Public Comment No.5**

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you to protest the design of the 3=story apartment building that is proposed for the corner of Calle Real and Los Carneros near the roundabout. RRM Design Group, has proposed the construction of this Housing Accountability Act housing development project for a new three-story, mixed-use building on a vacant 0.53-acre lot. I protest this for two reasons: it will generate too much traffic in an area that is already congested and there is a lack of proportion to surrounding buildings on that side causing higher visibility than is appropriate. The story poles show a building that looms over the rest of the buildings on that side. Also ambient light and noise will affect the wildlife in the Lake Los Carneros region, causing raptors that hunt at night to suffer as well as kites who are shy and sensitive to noise and humans. Also the parking plan is inadequate. Please reconsider the design of this building and its impact on the surrounding neighborhood and traffic.

Thank you,

Susan Braden

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**Public Comment No.6**

Dear Christina,

Thank you for asking for comments.

As a person who lives in Goleta, I am always interested in making it a more beautiful, friendly, and peaceful place. I imagine you are too. This proposed development on Calle Real doesn't truly serve that purpose for any of us, only the developer themselves. The project is certainly unattractive. Even 10.6 dwelling units isn't good enough, they are maxing it out based on a special exception. I would suggest that they build 11 of them. Not 14, especially with only 20 parking spaces. There will be a parking issue. And they've also made it taller than it should really be. What are our codes for if there are always exceptions? Is it truly a mixed use building, with only one small office? That sounds like a joke. I imagine the developer is using all the work arounds, sacrificing quality for quantity \$, and if that is how the project starts, that will be how it will end. Greed is one of the biggest problems. And this project reflects just that. I hope you and the development review board have higher standards than that.

Sincerely,

Sarah McLean  
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**Public Comment No.7**

Dear City of Goleta Planning Commission

I am writing to tell you that I think the proposal for this site at the South East corner of the Los Carneros roundabout will be a safety hazzard.

Though the roundabout has greatly improved the intersection from when it was a stop sign, there are many people who still cannot make it work without stopping.

My concerns are:

Reduced visibility when Northbound on Los Carneros and this building will worsen this greatly

Increased congestion for people leaving the parking lot of this new building

There is already too much traffic on Los Carneros, and with the new Willow Springs area project it will

only increase

Bikes cannot always see well and don't follow the traffic pattern for them, they ride in the lane and won't be able to see around this building

The recent changes by Fairview Shopping center have caused increased congestion on Los Carneros, many of us now avoid the area in front of Miner's at all costs

My suggestion is:

Wrap the story poles on the bottom story, the side on Calle Real and the SE side of the building with opaque material so we can see what it will look like for traffic.

Story poles do not tell the story of visibility for drivers and or bicyclists.

Lets make public safety a priority.

thank you,

Lee Ann Palmer

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**Public Comment No.8**

Good morning Christina, I am looking to find out if there is a PM with the architectural group or applicant / developer in regards to the above project that will go before the city on July 25.

Thank you,

**Cathleen Stanger ((She/Her))**

Sr. Content Specialist



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**Public Comment No.9**

**From:** [BILL WOODBRIDGE](#)  
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Hi Christina-

Do you know if the units in the project will have air conditioning? Will they have hardwood flooring? I am currently a tenant at Patterson Place and will be looking to move to a much newer one bedroom unit with more than 750 square feet that HAS A/C. Do you have any indication of what the proposed rental rates will be?

Thanks!

Bill Woodbridge

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**From:** [Don and Judy Johnson](#)  
**To:** [Christina McGuire](#)  
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We have been homeowners in the nearby Los Carneros neighborhood since 1972. Years ago retail buildings were proposed for that southeast corner. Surrounding neighborhoods fought that development and were somewhat successful in toning the development back to offices that would have minimal traffic entering and exiting that location. Since the Los Carneros offramp is so near the roundabout, it would seem these residential units will be impacting safety significantly since their access likely will be relatively close to the freeway exit and roundabout. In addition, residents might bicycle in and out of the proposed apartments, causing further safety hazards.

Please recommend that this project be denied.

Don and Judy Johnson