

**From:** [Celeste Kafri](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Support Fairview Farm Housing  
**Date:** Saturday, March 14, 2026 4:40:23 PM

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Dear Mr. Hiefield,

We live at 5872 Stow Canyon Rd, Goleta, CA 93117 - on the cul de sac where construction is planned.

We are supportive of staff housing. We value affordable housing in Goleta over any traffic concerns.

Best,

Celeste and Dvir Kafri

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5843 Stow Canyon Rd. Goleta. CA

Yuju Huang

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03/17/2026

**From:** [Yuju Huang](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Staff Housing Location for Fairview Gardens Farm  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 17, 2026 7:33:58 PM  
**Attachments:** [2026.03.17 Fairview Garden.pdf](#)

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Dear Brian,

As a local resident, I am writing to express my opposition to placing the proposed staff housing on the east side of Fairview Gardens Farm.

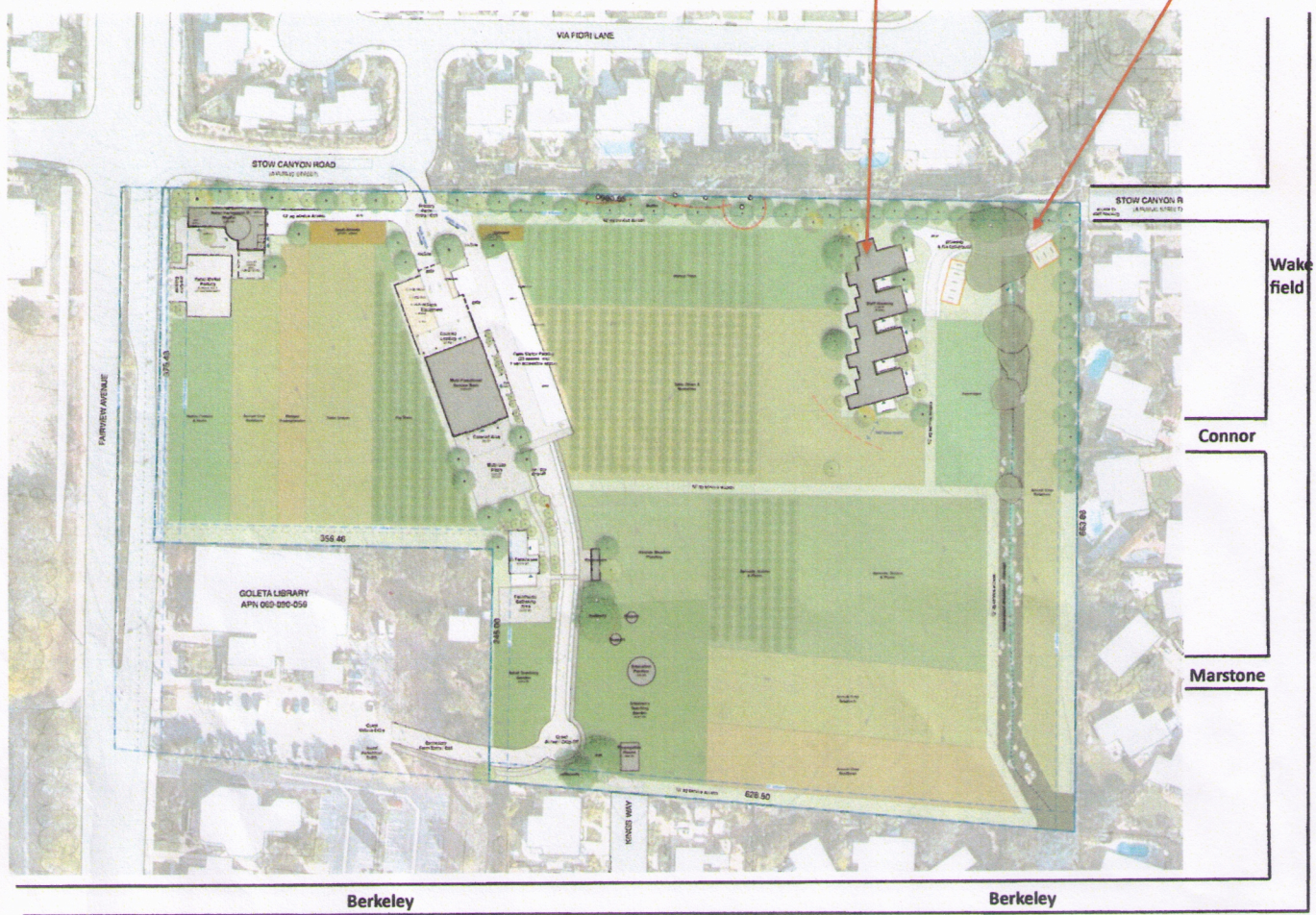
I agree with our neighbors' position([please see in the attachment](#)), that the housing should instead be built next to the library on Fairview, or along the existing driveway in that area. This site was previously approved by the City of Goleta and would significantly minimize the impact on the surrounding residential neighborhood.

Please keep me informed of any future meetings, hearings, or updates regarding this project. I would like to stay engaged as this process moves forward.

Thank you for your time.  
Best regards,  
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[yujuhuang@gmail.com](mailto:yujuhuang@gmail.com)

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**From:** [Yuju Huang](#)  
**To:** [Heidi Jones](#)  
**Cc:** [m.ableman@fieldsofplenty.com](mailto:m.ableman@fieldsofplenty.com); [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Fairview Gardens Project  
**Date:** Friday, March 27, 2026 2:59:11 PM

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Hi Heidi,

Thank you for your email and for offering to meet with me.

I have talked to a couple neighbors on Stow Canyon Rd. We all share the same concerns about the new housing. Since more people in the neighborhood may feel the same way, I suggest holding a neighborhood meeting. It might also be helpful to have Mr. Brian Hiefield or other staff from the City of Goleta there. This would allow everyone to hear the same information and help your team save time by addressing the neighborhood's concerns in a single meeting.

At the meeting, the neighborhood would appreciate the chance to:

- **View the current plans** for the 4 duplexes and 8 parking spots.
- **Discuss the potential impacts** on surrounding streets.
- **Hear about other options**, such as the previously approved location near the library.

As I do not have a contact list for the neighborhood, we expect the project team and the City to handle the formal notification to the residents as part of the standard planning process. This will ensure the process is transparent and that all affected neighbors are properly informed.

Please let us know when a meeting is scheduled so the community can attend.

Sincerely,

Yuju Huang

On Wed, Mar 25, 2026 at 1:58 PM Heidi Jones <[heidi@merakilanduseconsulting.com](mailto:heidi@merakilanduseconsulting.com)> wrote:

Hello Yuju,

I am the land use consultant assisting Fairview Gardens with its Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The Executive Director, Michael Ableman and I wanted to reach out and offer to meet with you to discuss the project and concerns expressed in your email to the City from 3/17/26. Please let us know if that would be helpful.

Have a nice afternoon.

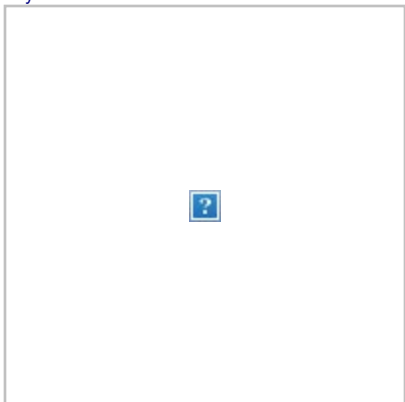
Heidi Jones, AICP

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**From:** [Melissa Brooks](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Fairview Farms Project  
**Date:** Sunday, March 29, 2026 8:48:38 AM

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City of Goleta  
Planning Division c/o Brian Hiefield  
630 Cremona Drive  
Goleta, CA 93117

Re: Fairview Gardens

Dear Mr. Brian Hiefield,

I'm writing to let you know that I'm excited about the Fairview Farms project and I support the new plan wholeheartedly. Fairview Gardens has been permanently protected and is held by the SB Land Trust. It is a local treasure and the plans are in place to make the farm a community based campus where people of all ages can come and learn about sustainable gardening practices. In addition the farm will continue to provide a wide range of organically grown fruits and vegetables. Also, the project will support local farmers with a plan for a warehouse and processing facility.

Most importantly, subsidized housing is imperative to the farm's operations. Cost of living is high in Santa Barbara County and the farm cannot operate without this feature. This project will serve the entire Goleta community as well as South Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,

Melissa Brooks  
Santa Barbara County resident

**From:** [Amy Sweeney](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Fairview Gardens CUP  
**Date:** Monday, March 30, 2026 7:55:39 AM

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Dear Mr. Hiefield,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Conditional Use Permit for Fairview Gardens in Goleta.

Fairview Gardens is an extraordinary and irreplaceable part of our community. For nearly 50 years, it has provided organically grown food to local families, preserved open space, supported wildlife and pollinators, and served as one of the last working farms in Goleta. It is not just a farm—it is a living classroom, a historic landmark, and a vital connection to our agricultural heritage.

On a personal level, this project means a great deal to me. Over the years, I have had the privilege of working with children in educational settings, teaching them about healthy food—how it is grown, how it nourishes their bodies, and how they can prepare it themselves. Experiences like those offered at Fairview Gardens are increasingly rare, yet they are essential in helping the next generation develop a meaningful relationship with food, health, and the environment.

The proposed improvements to the farm's infrastructure, including staff housing, are critical to ensuring that Fairview Gardens can continue to operate and serve the community well into the future. Without the ability to support the people who steward the land, the farm itself cannot thrive.

Fairview Gardens represents the very best of Goleta—sustainability, education, community, and respect for the land. I strongly encourage the City to support this project so that this remarkable resource can continue to benefit current and future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Amy Sweeney

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Karin Napel](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Fairview Farm project  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 12:44:43 PM

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Hi Brian,

Good afternoon. I saw the posted notice of development for Fairview Farms. I live on Via Fiori and my home will be right next to the proposed farm worker housing.

Although I am thrilled that the farm will start operating as a farm again I am concerned with the location of the farm worker housing. My concern is due to the fact that the farmer workers were housed in the proposed location several years ago and there were many issues with noise, trash, and urinating issues. This is something that happened in the past, but the Executive Director that has just come back was also in charge of the farm. He never listened or addressed the neighborhood concerns with the above issues.

I am hopeful that the housing could be moved to the Fairview Road side by the Library which will not affect any neighbors.

My main thought is that the Farm is a very important part of our community and history, but being respectful of the neighborhood and neighbors is also important as this is the community that the farm is to serve.

Thank you for your consideration.

Karin Napel

Sent from my Galaxy

**From:** [Lee Chiacos](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Fairview Gardens Farm  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 3:09:08 PM

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Hello, I am writing to add my voice to support the wonderful work that the Fairview Gardens Farm people are doing to restore the old farm and return it to full production. Almost all of our food is transported hundreds of miles at a great cost to the environment. Fairview Gardens produces organically grown food right in our neighborhood, giving us some self-sufficiency at a time when it is almost gone. Additionally, having workers able to live on the property increases our food independence and reduces commuting. When so little farmland remains in Coastal California all the existing farmland needs to be protected. This project is essential.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Lee Chiacos

**From:** [Via.in.SantaBarbara](#)  
**To:** [Brian.Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Neighbors Opposing Fairview Gardens Staff Housing in NE corner of Farm  
**Date:** Monday, April 13, 2026 7:39:51 AM  
**Attachments:** [Neighbors Opposing FG Staff Housing in NE corner of Farm --.pdf](#)

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Brian,  
Our submission is the attached.  
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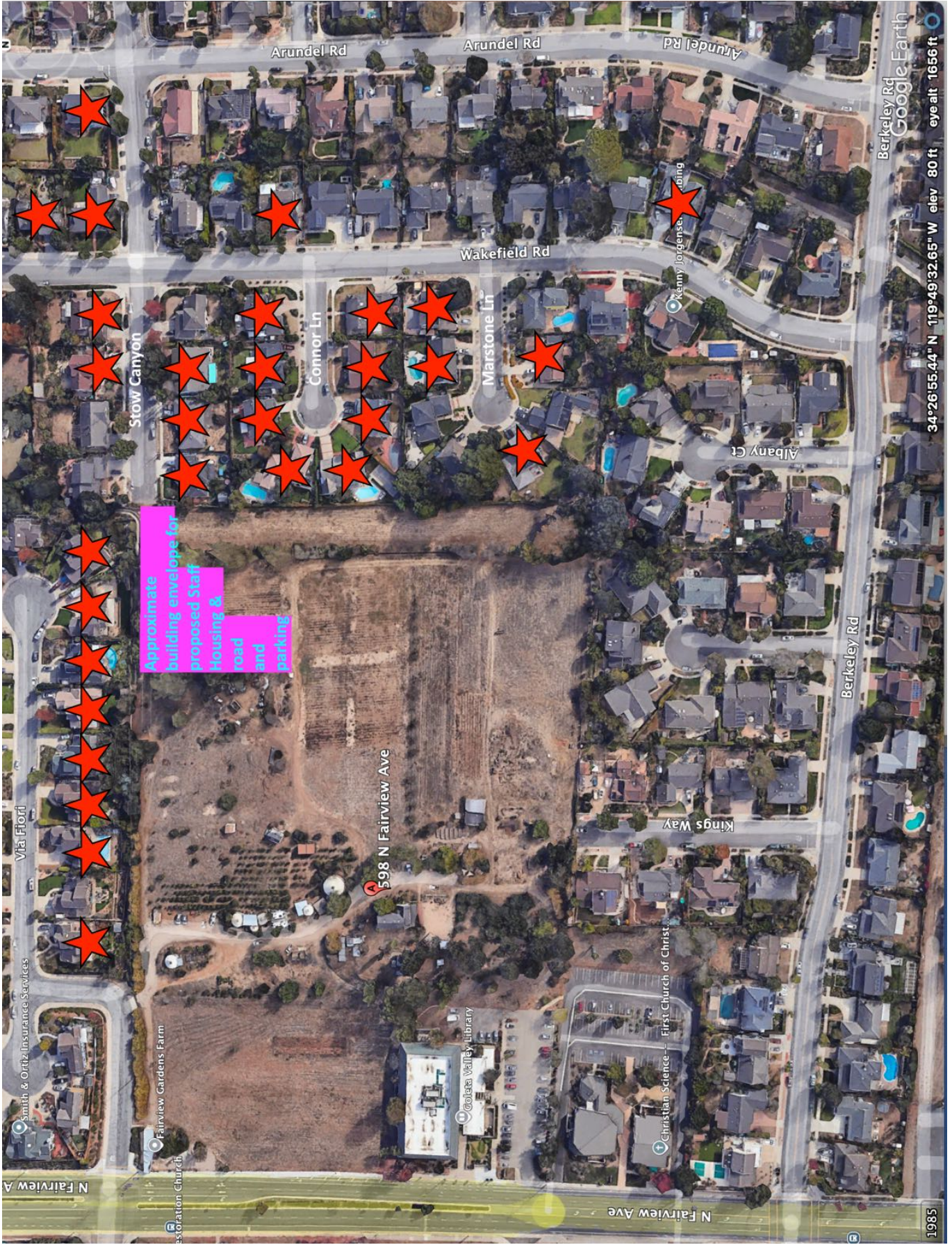
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Brian Hiefield, City of Goleta Staffer,

There are neighbors of the Fairview Garden Farm who hold the position that Staff Housing for the farm should not be located in the proposed North East area of the farm. The preferred location would be near the library. The attached map indicates, with **RED STARS**, the 30 homes whose residents hold this position. Each of the following pages has the name, address and signature of those residents

Here is a summary of the names and addresses (of course all are in Goleta CA 93117):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Mike Zucker	5873 Via Fiori
Barry and Kelly Tanowitz	5861 Via Fiori
Thomas and Bertha Aguirre	5855 Via Fiori
Yuan Wang	5849 Via Fiori
Linda and Larry Cobb	5843 Via Fiori
Karin and Jonathan Napel	5837 Via Fiori
Sonny and Rebecca Hudson	5831 Via Fiori
Yang Family, owners of rental at	5825 Via Fiori
Miriam and Chad Guenther	5871 Stow Canyon Rd
Steve Takaya	5861 Stow Canyon Rd
Rob and Rene Koke	5852 Stow Canyon Rd
Fatima Siba	5852 Stow Canyon Rd
Rose Norris	5851 Stow Canyon Rd
Eric Heidner	5844 Stow Canyon Rd
Catherine Young Nance	5850 Stow Canyon Rd
Paul Kovacevich	5851 Connor Lane
German Soto	5860 Connor Lane
Josh Schueler	5861 Connor Lane
John and Marybeth Hufford	5870 Connor Lane
Jamie Huthsing	5871 Connor Lane
Margaret Hamilton	5880 Connor Lane
Linda Hurst	5881 Connor Lane
Cya Drew	5852 Marstone Lane
Derek Drew	5852 Marstone Lane
Linda Nelson	5852 Marstone Lane
Ken Jamgochian	5862 Marstone Lane
Eliot Jarvis-Bertha	5863 Marstone Lane
Douglas Trantow	5883 Marstone Lane
Jake Beahan	452 Wakefield Rd
Robert Chyla	550 Wakefield Rd
Claudia Washburn-Chyla	550 Wakefield Rd
Lisa Schwarberg	606 Wakefield Rd
Mark Schwarberg	606 Wakefield Rd
KM Bushnell	612 Wakefield Rd
Chris and Jenelle Clark	609 Arundel Rd



Approximate building envelope for proposed Staff Housing & road and parking

Smith & Ortiz Insurance Services

N Fairview Ave

Restoration Church

Fairview Gardens Farm

598 N Fairview Ave

Colista Valley Library

Christian Science - First Church of Christ

Kings Way

Berkeley Rd

Albany Ct

Marstone Ln

Connor Ln

Stow Canyon

Wakefield Rd

Arundel Rd

Arundel Rd

Arundel Rd

Kenny Jorgensen

Berkeley Rd

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34°26'55.44" N 119°49'32.65" W elev 80 ft

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*in zone* via Fiori

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Bruce and Kelly Fawcett  
5861 VIA FIORI  
Goleta, CA 93027

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*Karim Nayel - Karim and Jonathan Nayel*  
5837 Via Fiori, Goleta CA. 93117

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*Yang*

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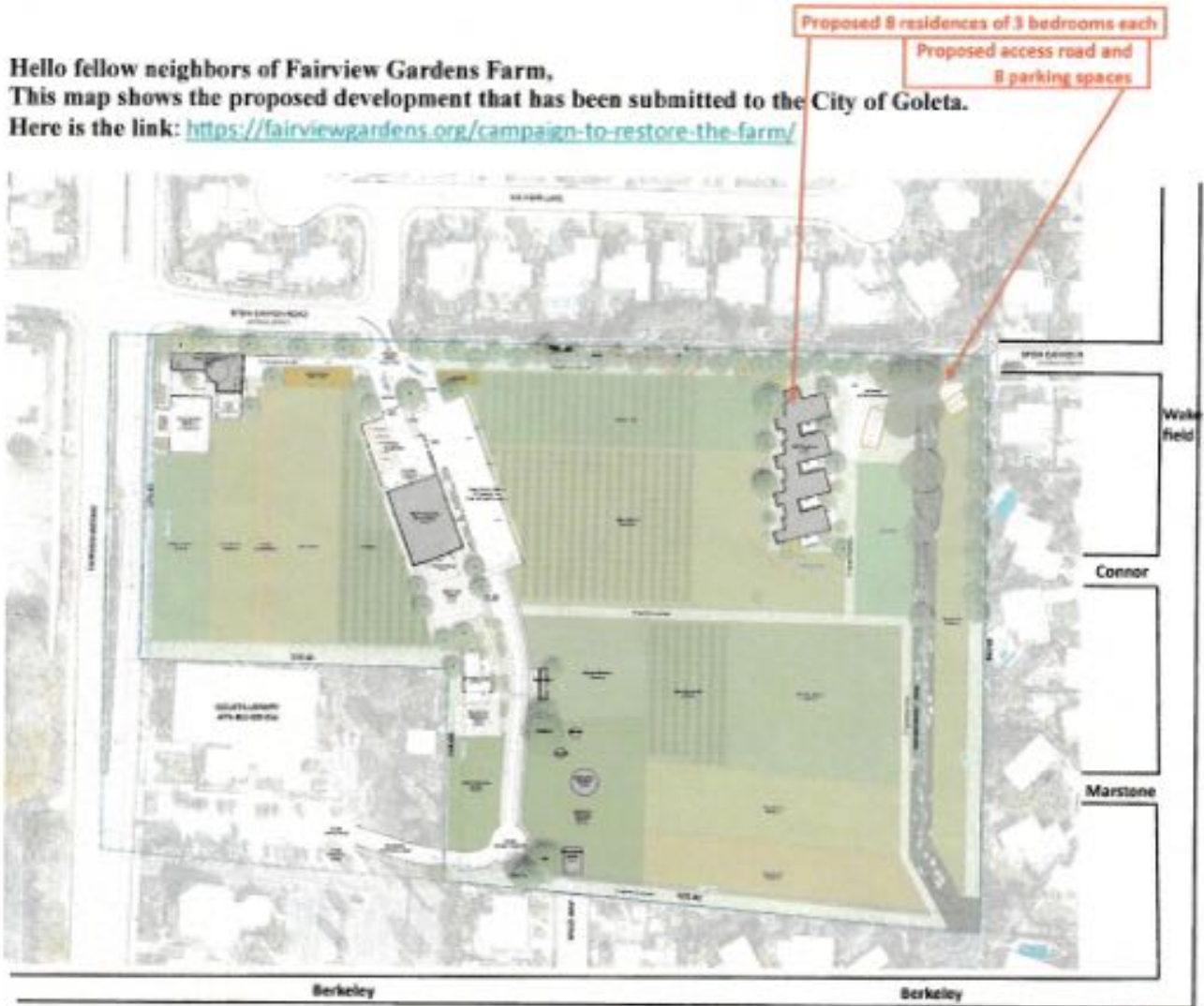
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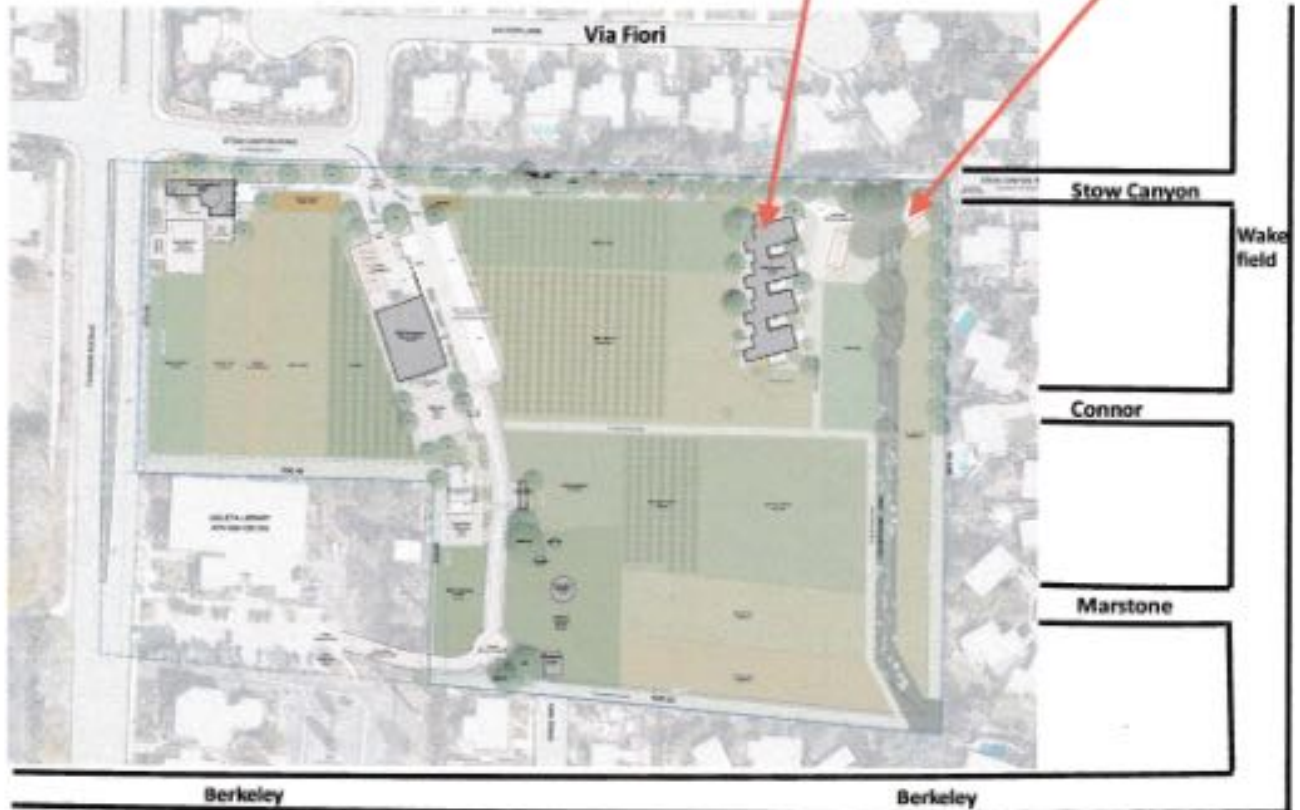
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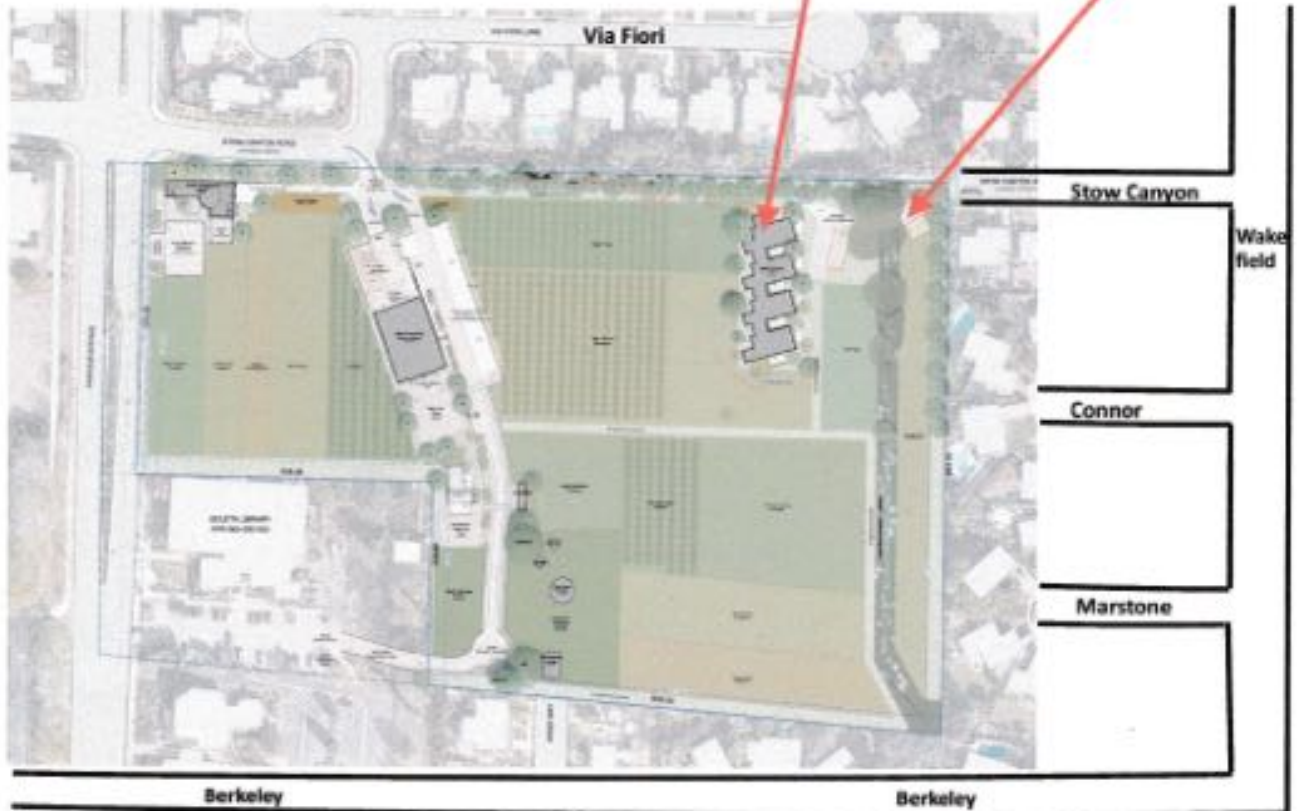
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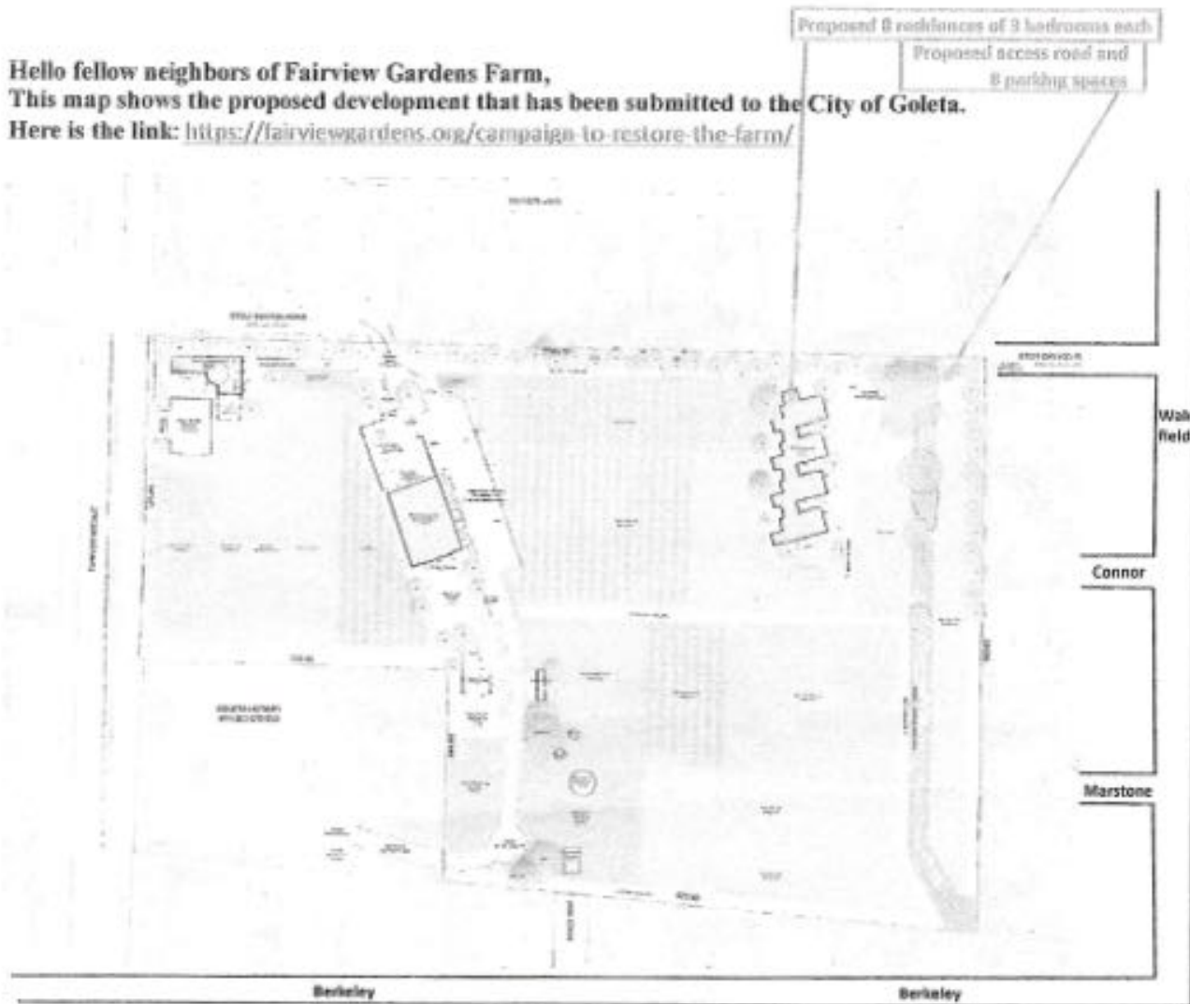
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 805 335-0979 POUTEXPERT@AOL.COM

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*Chris and Janelle Clark* 609 ARUNDEL RD GOLETA  
 CHRIS CLARK  
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 chris.janelle@verizon.net

**From:** [Michael Zucker](#)  
**To:** [mluc.heidi@gmail.com](mailto:mluc.heidi@gmail.com)  
**Cc:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Neighbor Request: @ Fairview Gardens  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 11:46:46 AM

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Hello Heidi / Brian,

Heidi, thank you for your time today discussing the plans for Fairview Gardens.  
As per our conversation:

a) Although I signed my neighbor's petition regarding the location of staff housing, I didn't fully understand the plan which Heidi helped clarify. **Thanks to Heidi's help, I have no objection to the staff housing location even though my name is on a petition.**

b) **I would respectfully ask that the Compost and Small Animal area be moved to the other side of the barn.** We live at 5873 Via Fiori, right behind the proposed compost area.

I'm highly concerned that the smell of composting and small animals will affect our home's enjoyment and its value. The smell will also lure more rats, which have chewed holes in our fence and previously ate foam padding on the Seadoo that I store on my property. We also have a dog that barks when it sees or smells other animals. This will become untenable if small animals are kept nearby or if animals are attracted to the compost.

I'd appreciate it if you could decide soon about moving the small animals and compost.  
If we cannot accommodate this request, we expect to quickly sell our home and move before the animals and compost arrive.

Thank you,  
Mike  
415-407-4150

**From:** [Via.in.SantaBarbara](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Neighbors Opposing Fairview Gardens Staff Housing in NE corner of Farm  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 10:41:03 AM  
**Attachments:** [April 14 2026 version Neighbors Opposing FG Staff Housing in NE corner of Farm.pdf](#)

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Brian,

We have an update to our previous submission. Two more neighbors have reached out to us. I have attached the updated cover letter and map along with flyers with their signatures. Please attach this updated April 14th version to our earlier April 13th submission.

Thank you,  
Trevia

On Mon, Apr 13, 2026 at 9:22 AM Brian Hiefield <[bhiefield@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:bhiefield@cityofgoleta.org)> wrote:

Received. Thank you.

Brian Hiefield

Senior Planner

City of Goleta

Planning & Environmental Review Department

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805-961-7559

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**From:** Via.in.SantaBarbara <[via.in.santabarbara@gmail.com](mailto:via.in.santabarbara@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2026 7:39 AM

**To:** Brian Hiefield <[bhiefield@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:bhiefield@cityofgoleta.org)>

**Subject:** Neighbors Opposing Fairview Gardens Staff Housing in NE corner of Farm

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Brian,

Our submission is attached.



April 14, 2026

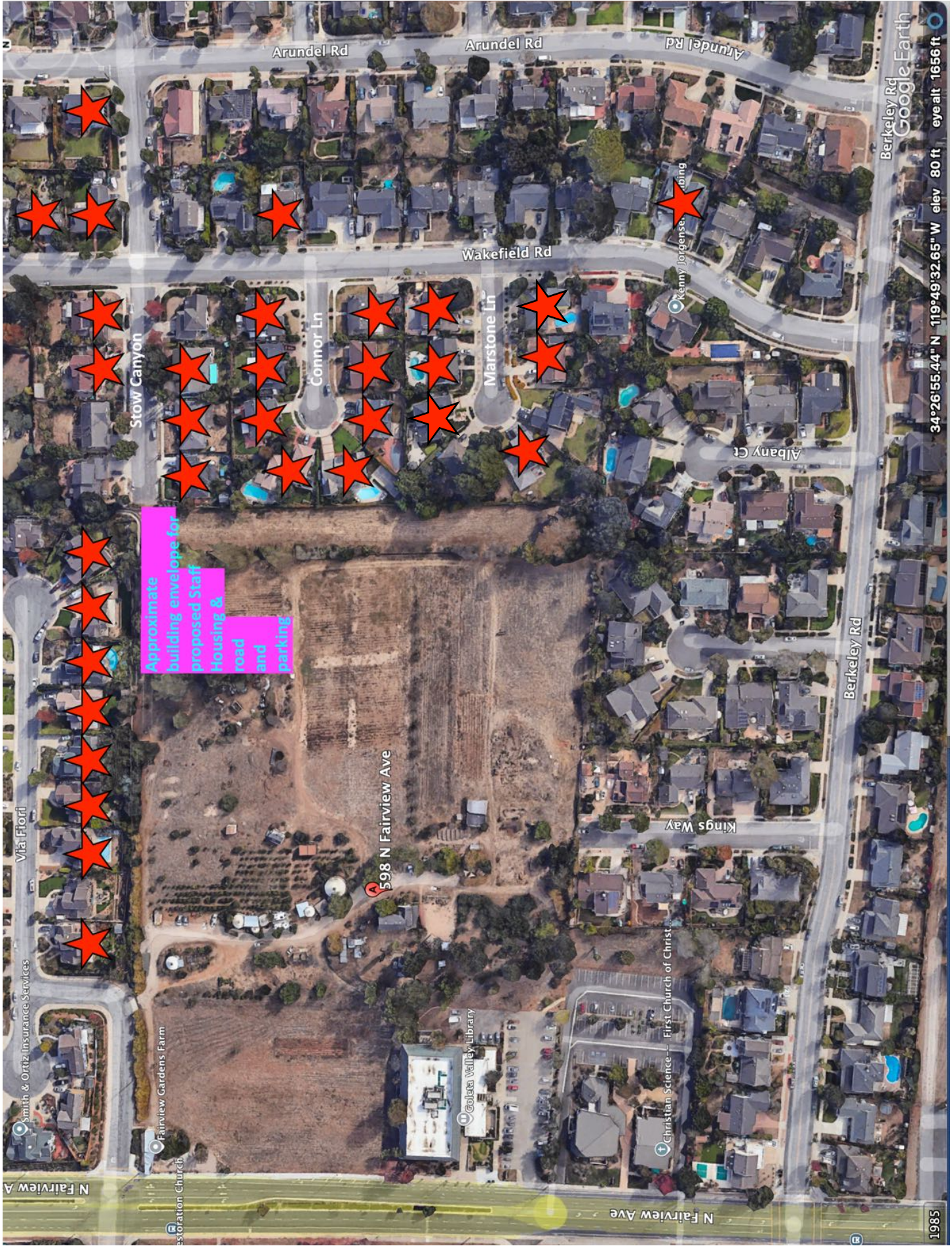
Brian Hiefield, City of Goleta Staffer,

There are neighbors of the Fairview Garden Farm who hold the position that Staff Housing for the farm should not be located in the proposed North East area of the farm. The preferred location would be near the library. The attached map indicates, with **RED STARS**, the **32** homes whose residents hold this position. Each of the following pages has the name, address and signature of the residents of those two additional homes. These are a supplement to our April 13, 2006 submission.

Here is a summary of the names and addresses (of course all are in Goleta CA 93117):

**Two additional names have been added since our April 13, 2026 submission.**

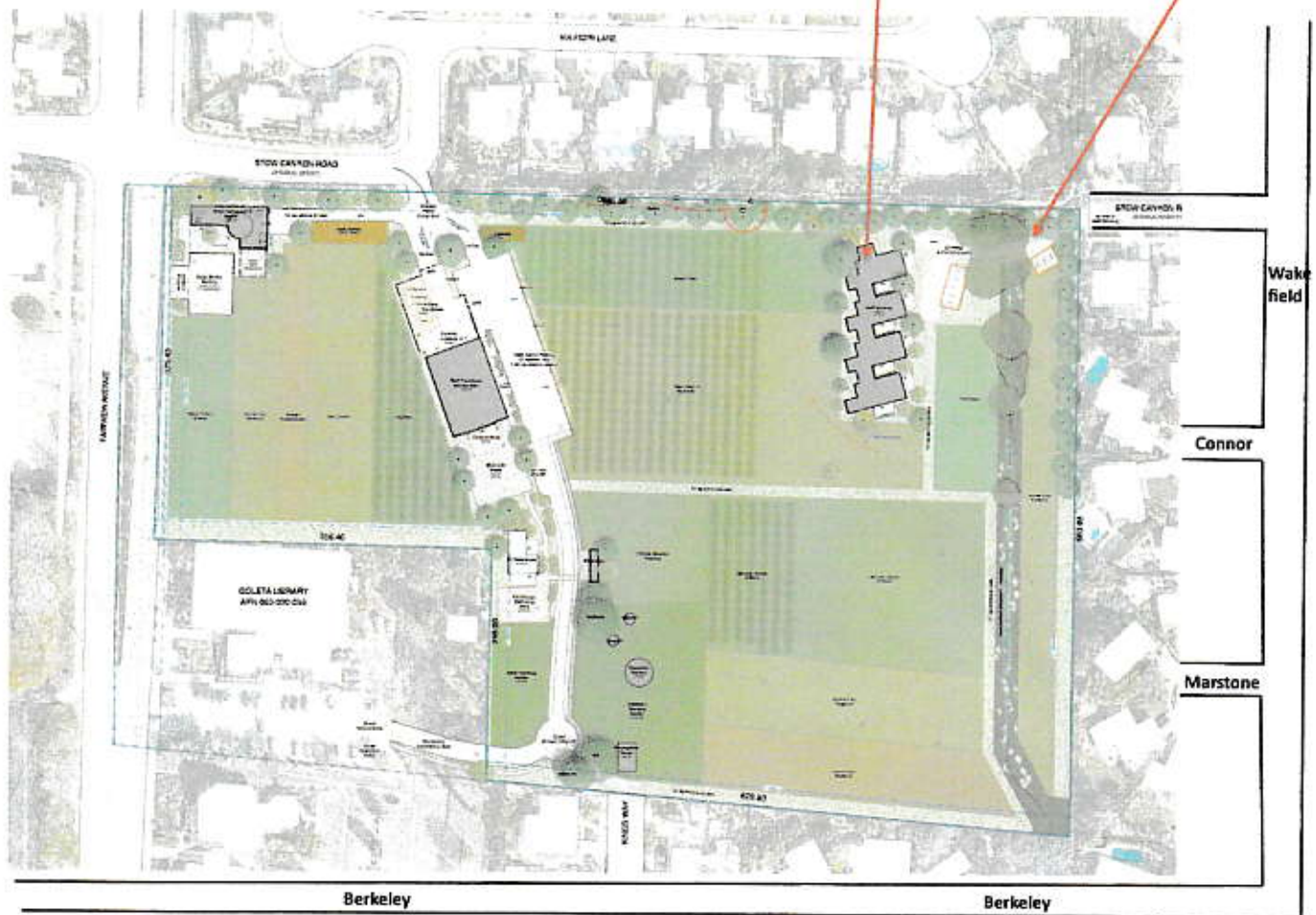
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Mike Zucker	5873 Via Fiori
Barry and Kelly Tanowitz	5861 Via Fiori
Thomas and Bertha Aguirre	5855 Via Fiori
Yuan Wang	5849 Via Fiori
Linda and Larry Cobb	5843 Via Fiori
Karin and Jonathan Napel	5837 Via Fiori
Sonny and Rebecca Hudson	5831 Via Fiori
Yang Family, owners of rental at	5825 Via Fiori
Miriam and Chad Guenther	5871 Stow Canyon Rd
Steve Takaya	5861 Stow Canyon Rd
Rob and Rene Koke	5852 Stow Canyon Rd
Fatima Siba	5852 Stow Canyon Rd
Rose Norris	5851 Stow Canyon Rd
Eric Heidner	5844 Stow Canyon Rd
Catherine Young Nance	5850 Stow Canyon Rd
Paul Kovacevich	5851 Connor Lane
German Soto	5860 Connor Lane
Josh Schueler	5861 Connor Lane
John and Marybeth Hufford	5870 Connor Lane
Jamie Huthsing	5871 Connor Lane
Margaret Hamilton	5880 Connor Lane
Linda Hurst	5881 Connor Lane
Cya Drew	5852 Marstone Lane
Derek Drew	5852 Marstone Lane
Linda Nelson	5852 Marstone Lane
Katie and Christopher Olsen	5853 Marstone Lane
Jim and Jean Smith	5872 Marstone Lane
Ken Jamgochian	5862 Marstone Lane
Eliot Jarvis-Bertha	5863 Marstone Lane
Douglas Trantow	5883 Marstone Lane
Jake Beahan	452 Wakefield Rd
Robert Chyla	550 Wakefield Rd
Claudia Washburn-Chyla	550 Wakefield Rd
Lisa Schwarberg	606 Wakefield Rd
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Approximate building envelope for proposed Staff Housing & road and parking

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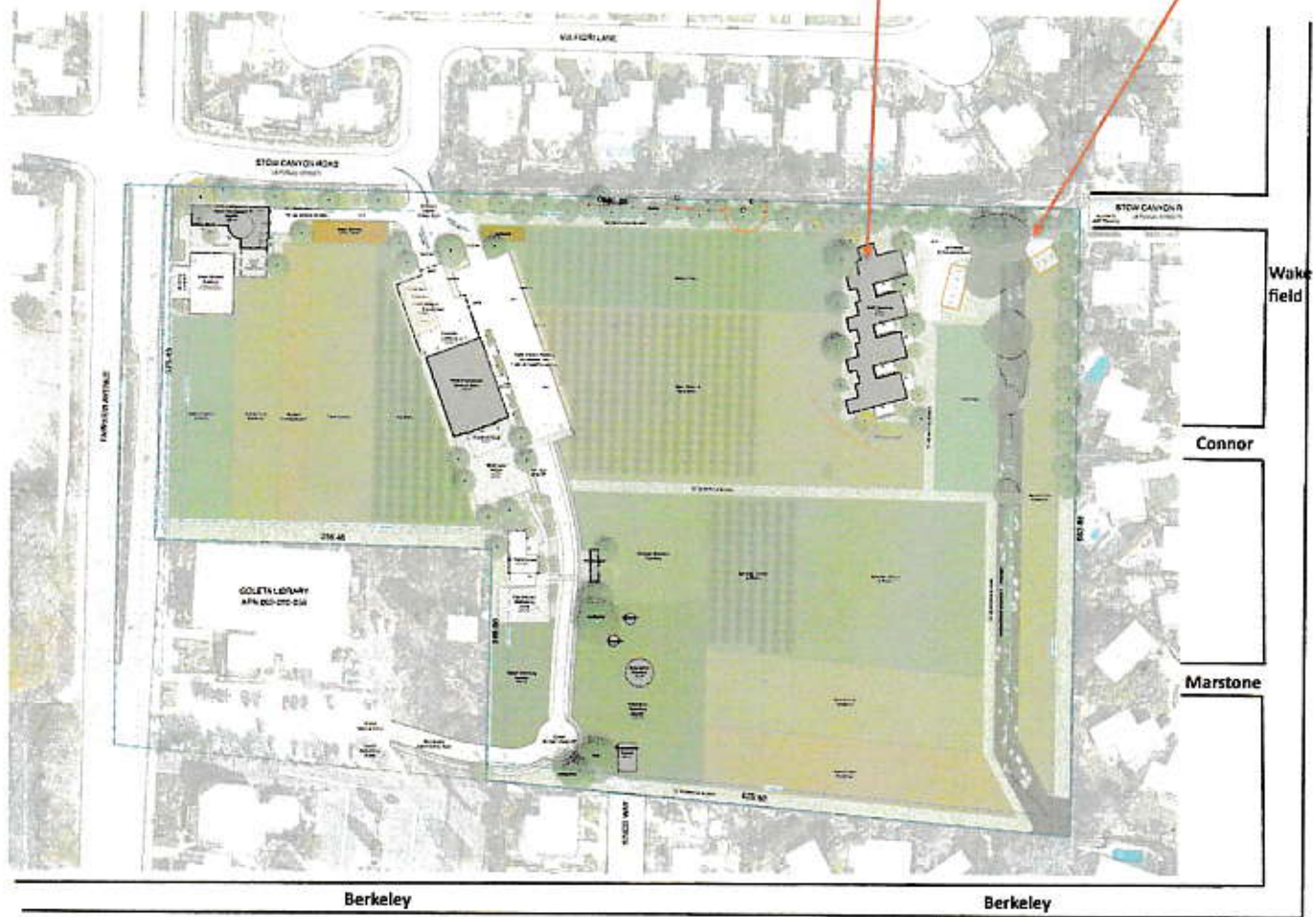
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 5853 Marstone

Katie and Christopher Olson  
 katielevinger@gmail.com

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*Jim Smith* 5872 Marstone Ln. Goleta, CA 93117

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*Jean Smith* *Jean Smith*

**From:** [David Farris](#)  
**To:** [PER Meetings](#); [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Fairview Gardens Farms proposed adaptive reuse and renovation proposal.  
**Date:** Sunday, April 12, 2026 11:59:22 AM

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My family home is located at the end of the Danbury Ct. cul-de-sac and backs up to the Fairview Gardens farm. For the past 34 years my family has had the pleasure of a front row seat to view and sometimes participate in the activities of the farm and its staff and guests. This has been a pleasure that we would like to see continue far into the future. We completely support the proposed upgrade to the farm and its activities. No organization and its facilities can continue to function without periodic renovation and changes in how it functions. This is clearly the case with Fairview Gardens. The farm house is over 100 years old and in need of repair and upgrades. The current event facilities can't meet future needs for educational programs and public events. The farming function and produce market need to be upgraded to be viable into the future. Past staff housing facilities are long gone and need to be replaced with modern options. Fairview Gardens Farms is a wonderful asset and neighbor for the City of Goleta. We can't just hope that it will always be here as it has been in the past. It needs to be renewed for the future so that it can continue to provide us with healthy food and to teach us and our children and our grandchildren about living with a healthy connection to the land. These things won't happen on their own. Lets start with rebuilding the farmhouse and other farm facilities and continue with returning the farming and educational activities of the Center for Urban Agriculture. My family benefits particularly by having a from row seat to see it all from our backyard view, but the farm benefits everyone, not just us. We strongly support the planned upgrades to the farm and hope that everyone else will join us with their support.

David Farris  
454 Danbury Ct.  
Goleta

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Kelsey Perry](#)  
**To:** [PER Meetings](#)  
**Cc:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** Support - adaptive reuse and renovation of the Fairview Gardens historic farmhouse  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 8, 2026 8:45:45 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to express my support for this project. I live in the Stow Canyon neighborhood across Fairview Ave. I attended their open house where they shared their plans for what they'd like to achieve on the farm. Wow - it will be such a treasure for our community! I support this step towards adaptive reuse with respect to the original structure of the historic farmhouse.

Thank you,  
Kelsey Perry  
Goleta resident/homeowner

**From:** [Goleta Today](#)  
**To:** [PER Meetings](#)  
**Subject:** Larry Cobb's Fairview Gardens HPC Comments  
**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026 10:28:53 PM  
**Attachments:** [image0.png](#)

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## **Planning and Environmental Review Department:**

**I, Larry Cobb, would like to present my comments to the Historical Preservation Committee about The Scale & Fragmentation of Proposed Changes to the Fairview Garden Farm vs the Spirit of Preservation**

Hello Chair and Commissioners. My name is Larry Cobb. I am a long-time resident of the Fairview Gardens neighborhood. One of my concerns today is how the scale and placement of the proposed new infrastructure permanently fragments this historic landmark.

The proposed "service barn" is unnecessarily large for a 12-acre parcel and functions more as a commercial hall than a farm building. Furthermore, the decision to push housing into the northeast corner—reachable only by a new eastern bridge and road—is a modern, urban layout that has no historical precedent on this site.

Every square foot used for this new road and

bridge is a square foot of historic farmland lost forever. Yet, the applicant's current "Support Area" calculations ignore these roads entirely. By pushing the development to the far edges of the property, they are violating the spirit of the Land Trust and the historic flow of the farm.

**My formal request for the Commission is this:** Please recommend that the applicant return to a plan that clusters development logically near the West Entrance, as the 2009 approved "Phase 5" (see attached) plan did. This plan was acceptable to neighbors, protects the historic spatial relationships of the farm and honors the 88% agricultural mandate by utilizing existing, bridge-free infrastructure. We should not have to "hide" housing by destroying farmable soil and riparian habitat.

**Thank you.**

**Larry Cobb**



**From:** [Inc.Src](#)  
**To:** [Brian Hiefield](#); [PER Meetings](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Fairview Gardens Historic Farmhouse Public Hearing  
**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026 6:37:25 PM

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Hello!

My wife and I are so excited for the improvements to Fairview Gardens. But we are very concerned about lead in that old building. We have two young children with another on the way and we would love to use the facility. What steps are being taken to measure and mitigate lead exposure in the building and the surrounding soil?

Thank you so much for your concern.

Best regards,  
Tom Milford

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From: **City of Goleta** <[goleta@public.govdelivery.com](mailto:goleta@public.govdelivery.com)>  
Date: Wed, Apr 8, 2026 at 10:00 AM  
Subject: Fairview Gardens Historic Farmhouse Public Hearing  
To: <[inc.src.000@gmail.com](mailto:inc.src.000@gmail.com)>

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**From:** [LarryLinda Cobb](#)  
**To:** [PER Meetings](#)  
**Cc:** [Brian Hiefield](#)  
**Subject:** HPC re: Fairview Gardens  
**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026 9:54:51 AM

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**Focus:** Original Residential Function, Commercialization, and Neighborhood Context.

HPC Chair and Commissioners: My name is Linda Cobb. I am a long-time resident of the Fairview Gardens neighborhood, and I value the historic legacy of Fairview Gardens.

While I strongly support the physical restoration of the 1896 farmhouse, I am concerned that the proposed commercialization of this structure threatens its historic integrity and the agricultural character of the site.

Historically, and until very recently, this farmhouse served as the residence for the farm manager and his family. Under the Secretary of the Interior's Standards, the most appropriate reuse for a historic structure is the one it was originally designed for. If the applicant truly has a pressing need for on-site housing, the most historically appropriate "adaptive reuse" for this landmark is to maintain its original function as a home. Converting a historic residence into a commercial cafe is a fundamental shift that is incompatible with the site's history... Especially on land zoned exclusively for agriculture, and which has no parking for a cafe'.

The proposed commercial "add-ons," such as awnings and outdoor seating areas, would significantly subtract from the farmhouse's historic features. Furthermore, these additions appear to duplicate the "gathering place" already proposed for the new service barn. The Commission's role is to ensure that a landmark looks like the original structure; commercial modifications for a restaurant use do not respect that era of construction.

My concerns also extend to the "environmental setting." This is Agriculture property, yet in recent years, there has been a noticeable lack of actual farming on-site. Expanding this into a cafe' use suggests a further move away from agriculture and toward a commercial event center. Since they are not growing much onsite, this will lead to "trucking in" produce for a cafe', which they also have done at their produce stand.

Historically, this has been a quiet farm, not a venue for amplified sound or commercial traffic.

In recent years there has been a problem with amplification of music, speeches, and other noise from unpermitted events at Fairview Gardens. There is a concern among neighbors that there will be amplified sound from a cafe' and events. A permanent cafe without sufficient on-site parking will only formalize neighborhood nuisances that are unrelated to the farm's historic agricultural mission. It will again put the burden of parking/traffic onto nearby residents who need to access and park at their homes.

I urge the Commission to require that the farmhouse restoration focus on its original residential character and to reject commercial expansions that degrade the historic agricultural

setting.

Thank you

Linda Cobb

5843 Via Fiori