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**To:** [lisa@nealmartinassoc.com](mailto:lisa@nealmartinassoc.com)

**Subject:** Objection to iStar California Circle

Dear Ms. Sanders,

My husband and I are writing to object to the proposed housing site at 1210 California Circle. We attended the meeting at the site when it was held and voiced similar objections along with the rest of the residents that were there. This is a commercial area. I was an employee at that site when it was eCycle, approx. 10 years ago, before it became Solyndra. I believe the building owner is pricing out any prospective tenant so more money can be made on housing. This is wrong. There are several vacant buildings in the area marked "for sale" or "for lease" and it is our opinion that the ultimate goal here is to bulldoze everything and put up housing. This is not what this neighborhood needs. Do you live in this area? If not, I would suggest you park at the California Circle exit at the Chevron station, between 4 and 7 pm on any given day. The traffic is horrendous. They cut down Milmont Dr. do not observe crosswalks, speed limits or pedestrians. This is not a thoroughfare. People live here!! My husband and I were nearly hit several times while in the crosswalk. At the freeway exit, illegal U-turns are made continuously and gridlock is common. You think MORE housing will make this better?

The proposed site is also next to a creek that is home to waterfowl and other wildlife. No amount of "mitigation" is going to preserve this habitat. More housing will mean more trash, dog feces, and noise. The Water District has removed all trash receptacles along the trail and people just toss it into the creek or along the trail. Many do not clean up after their dogs. You think this will get better? I think not.

Furthermore, our neighborhood has experienced an increase in burglary over the past year. The reason? Easy access to the freeway. More housing will only exacerbate that problem and bring more low life into this nice neighborhood in hope of breaking into more homes. I urge the City Council not to look at who is donating to their campaigns and do what is BEST for the residents of Milpitas. That is NO MORE HOUSING in this neighborhood. We have a constitutional right to quiet enjoyment of our property and have been residents of Milpitas for over 20 years. Milpitas needs JOBS and companies need reasonable rents to locate here. Keep the area zoned as it is now. I would venture to say that absolutely no effort has been made to get any company to move into the proposed site. The building is huge and can accommodate 3-4 companies if modifications are made. It's all about greed and it has to stop. I urge the Council to do what is morally RIGHT, not what is financially convenient.

Thank you for your time.

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