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Subject Variance for Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery

October 24, 2012

Catherine Kutsuris, Director
Department of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Rd.
Martinez, CA 94553-4601

Re: Application Process for Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery Project (County File LP052096)
and Property at 7090 Camino Tassajara, Pleasanton, CA 94588

Dear Catherine:

I am sending you this letter as a response to Mr. Sid Corrie's request for a variance pursuant to Section 26-2.2006.

According to Mr. Corrie's attorney's description of the county code, we at 7090 Camino Tassajara are considered a sub-standard parcel with 33.8 acres. This would mean that a parcel with 79.9 acres would also be considered sub-standard, as this is an A-80 zoning district. To allow Mr. Corrie's application for a variance to create a smaller parcel than the existing would set a precedence that several landowners in the area would be willing to exploit themselves. I know of several landowners in the area who are watching this with interest in doing the same.

If Mr. Corrie is allowed to change parcel size to create a buffer zone for his cemetery to alleviate costs for creek and drainage improvements, this will create a model for developers in the future to mitigate Fish and Game, Army Core of Engineers and Environmentalist from having a say in future land use development.

There is nothing about this property that creates special circumstances which apply to its size, shape, topography, location or its surroundings that deprive the subject property of the rights enjoyed by me or property owners in the vicinity.

The request for variance does not meet substantially or otherwise the intent and purpose of the respected land use district in which the subject property is located.

The reason we have county officials such as your self to oversee development in our area is simple, we do not have the wherewithal to continually chase every application, be it sub-division development or cemetery development, that comes our way.

We look to you to be a voice for the small landowner who cannot afford to fight the large developer on these matters. Let us not forget that there is a growth limit line and zoning parameters put in place for just this reason.

I have received letters from Mr. Corrie's attorney in an attempt to bully. I have been told that if I don't sell, I will be living next to a cemetery and that "this is a done deal". I beg to differ and I'm hoping that with the county's help, this will not be the case. This is still the USA after all, is it not?

Respectfully,

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