

# PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Date: 03-05-18

## ADDITIONAL ITEM ADDED AFTER DISTRIBUTION OF PACKET (# 3)

### AGENDA ITEM # 3

Applicant/Project Name: ColRich / Murai Specific Plan

Project #: P15-0068

Brief Description: E-mail from Joan Herskowitz dated 3/1/18

**Date 03/2/18**

**Time 5:15 pm**

**From:** [Gallegos, Sandra](#)  
**To:** ["Joan Herskowitz"](#)  
**Cc:** [Qureshy, Saima](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed Murai Development Project - March 5, 2018 Agenda  
**Date:** Friday, March 02, 2018 7:27:11 AM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)

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Dear Mr. Herskowitz,

Your e-mail regarding the Murai development project has been received and will be forwarded to the project planner Saima Qureshy and also to the Planning Commissioners.



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**From:** Joan Herskowitz [<mailto:jmherskowitz@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 3:44 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission  
**Subject:** Proposed Murai Development Project - March 5, 2018 Agenda

Dear San Marcos Planning Commissioners,

I'm writing on behalf of the Buena Vista Audubon Society to request that you deny approval of the Murai residential development as proposed. It is clear that the project would block the north-south wildlife corridor that is essential for movement of native wildlife throughout the North County network of reserves and corridors designated as significant in the environmental planning documents of the 7 North County cities and the County of San Diego.

The Murai project, in conjunction with the proposed San Marcos Highlands, would have major impacts on the sustainability of native wildlife, including threatened and endangered species, in one of the last large remaining areas of habitat in North County. However, the Reduced Project Alternative, that allows project development west of the California Water Authority easement, would allow preservation of the corridor of habitat on the east side. That project revision, along with other US F&W and California Dept.F&W requirements that facilitate wildlife movement, would serve to mitigate project impacts on the environment.

Therefore, we encourage you to take a stand on preservation of our natural heritage before it is too late, and only approve a project, such as mentioned above, that substantially mitigates impacts on wildlife.

Thank you for your consideration of our views on this important issue.

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