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Dear City Council,

I support the recommendation of the Community Development Director, City Attorney, and City Manager that you undertake a fiscal analysis of potential Baylands development scenarios that include housing. In light of the Legislature's intent to take the Baylands away from Brisbane if housing is not included, not studying Baylands housing could cost my city millions per year immediately.

Your 2015 Baylands City Survey in which 580 Brisbane voters responded revealed that two thirds of respondents want the area cleaned up/remediated using developer funds, more than three quarters of respondents support the City remaining actively engaged with potential developers as proposals are put together to ensure Brisbane's values are reflected in any development, and roughly half of respondents were open to some housing, especially if developer funds would be used for cleanup/remediation. According to your expert, the survey had a high rate of response and the conclusions are statistically valid. Feedback from 580 voters is certainly far above the number of voters that have shown up to CC meetings and provided testimony or submitted written correspondence.

The majority of Brisbane residents who voted in the last election are willing to negotiate and accept some housing to retain the Baylands and control over future development, and not in favor of fighting the State and risking loss of the Baylands. In fact, two of the winning candidates were quite transparent in their view that we should accept some housing in order to keep the Baylands, and the third winner was clear that we should keep control of the Baylands. The message of the three that lost were "no housing on the Baylands" and "fight the State." Additionally, all of the attempts made by Baylands housing opponents on the Brisbane Facebook page to paint two of the winners as willing to make a deal with the State failed to prevent them from being elected.

The message from the majority of the community seems to be consistent with the recommendation from your Community Development Director, City Attorney, City Manager and survey consultant. Include housing on the Baylands.

Best Regards,

Kim Follien (Brisbane Resident for 28 years)