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**Subject: Baylands** 

Dear Madam Mayor-

As a long term resident of the Bay area (and small business owner) I beseech you and other members of the Brisbane City Council to approve as much housing as possible in the Baylands development area.

For too many years cities in the Bay Area have approved office and retail but not the necessary housing to match the jobs created. The city of Brisbane has the unique opportunity to responsibly develop a new neighborhood that includes housing.

As a small business owner, it has been almost impossible to hire employees because of the high cost of housing. This challenge is something that cities must address.

I serve on the Planning Commission for the city of Mountain View (I am not writing this letter as an official communication). I know how difficult it can be to make public policy and plan for the future. The city of Mountain View has "stepped up to the plate" to approve a large amount of housing and to change zoning to allow for even more housing. Mountain View could build as many as 14,000 additional housing units over the next two decades.

Tonight's City Council meeting is the opportunity to help steer the city of Brisbane in a sustainable and responsible direction.

Go bold!

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