

# EXTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

The City Clerk's Office received  
the attached correspondence regarding  
**Agenda Item #6-F on the  
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**From:** Jerry Nussbaum <jerrynussbaum@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:16 PM  
**To:** Trish Spencer; Frank Matarrese; Tony Daysog; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Jim Oddie  
**Cc:** Jennifer Ott; LARA WEISIGER; Liz Warmerdam; City Manager  
**Subject:** Please Support APP plan for Site A

Dear Mayor Spencer and Vice-Mayor Matarrese, Council Members Daysog, Ezzy-Ashcraft and Odie:

As a long-time resident of the West End and a concerned and involved Alameda citizen, am writing you to express my strong support for Alameda Point Partners plan for the development of Site A at Alameda Point and asking you to support and vote for it when it comes up before the City Council.

It has been nearly two decades since the Navy left Alameda and at long last, with this plan, we have an opportunity to kick-start ongoing development that will be the beginning of the kind of development that will be a tremendous benefit to our community and that concerned citizens have been asking for since we knew that "The Base" would eventually become ours.

The plan as presented by a locally-based developer, Alameda Point Partners, would encourage the creation of jobs, which has always been a primary priority to those of us who believe in the importance of economic development. As you will no doubt recall, much of the opposition to the Suncal proposal which was soundly defeated years ago was the sense that it relied way to heavily on huge residential development over the creation of jobs.

Of course the current proposal does include the creation of 800 new residential units, but these units are necessary for the overall plan of job creation to work. There needs to be the beginning of a community there that will provide the critical mass of people to support the new businesses to be built around Seaplane Lagoon and to provide workforce housing for the companies that relocate there and who look for housing to be available for their workers.

I think it is significant that 800 units is well within the number of new units envisioned by the citizens of the Base Reuse and Advisory Group (BRAG) who worked so diligently years ago to come up with the original master plan for the Base. Approving this plan honors the work of those who worked so hard to come up with their recommendations.

Also it is so important to note that instead of Measure A-compliant monstrosities, these units will include mostly multifamily units providing ample numbers of affordable and rental units. These will provide housing opportunities for people who will work there and who will be using the ferries to commute to and from Alameda.

Additionally, as an ageing member of this community myself, I would be so excited to see that Alameda will be creating opportunities for residences for those of us who want to retire and stay in Alameda but who no longer want or need to keep or large single family residences. For my wife and me this would be the ideal outcome as we move into our later years.

This is an historic opportunity. With this plan, we are finally on the doorstep of creating a place that will be a vibrant and worthy community to add to our beautiful island.

Please support and vote for the Alameda Point Partners plan when it comes before you as a City Council.

Respectfully,

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