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From: Carlisle Douglas [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 4:07 AM
To: Sofia Pereira; Susan Ornelas; Brett Watson; Paul Pitino
Cc: Karen Diemer
Subject: Village decisions

Dear Sofia, Paul, Susan and Brett—

My concern is for students. Student-exclusive housing is best managed by the university. When HSU announced its AMCAL partnership, I was relieved that HSU would manage the facility as part of its own housing stock. This ensures consistency in staffing, policies, and culture. If a student needs to withdraw from school, their housing contract can also be cancelled as they lose their financial aid package. I've been watching Turlock Craigslist over the past 9-months and see that students whose circumstances have changed are constantly advertising to get someone take over their lease at the "Vista."

The Village is NOT "affordable student housing." It is high-end student housing. The reason AMCAL needs to keep the number of student beds high is because they expect to rent a very small space at a very high price. Historically college students have lived in small spaces so that it cost less than market-value housing. If AMCAL can't develop the property without gouging students, then it is not the right financial equation. Perhaps the land price needs to decrease.

I do not support the creation of privately-owned student-exclusive housing in Arcata. I would like to see the Craftsman Mall developed into open-market housing. The fluidity of open-market housing will be the most healthy option for Arcata in the long-run.

Thank you.

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