



March 9, 2022

Dear Mayor Wilkinson and City Council Members:

The League of Women Voters of Marin County strongly supports the Mallard Pointe housing project in Belvedere. As you know, there is a critical shortage of affordable housing in Marin County and the City of Belvedere must plan for 160 new housing units to comply with the State's Regional Housing Needs Allocation.

Belvedere has not produced a new multifamily housing development in the past 30 years. Mallard Pointe is a site in Belvedere where real progress can be made toward meeting the State's requirement.

The League of Women Voters prioritizes affordable housing, and the Mallard Pointe development will bring greater affordability to the site through deed-restricted housing units as well as badly needed one-bedroom apartment units. We believe Mallard Pointe will create different housing options for existing residents to downsize while staying in their local community and offer a path for new residents to live in Belvedere.

Finally, the project incorporates sustainability and tackles the critical issue of sea level rise and will be FEMA compliant given its location along the Lagoon.

We urge you to support the project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Wakeley".

President