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To: San Rafael City Council

cc: MARA

Gilbert Carrasco, Aldersly

Linda Jackson

From: Jackie Schmidt

Re: Aldersly Retirement Community Project, CC meeting 12/5/2022

FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

I live in the Montecito neighborhood, not far at all from the Aldersly Retirement Community. I would like to let you know some of my personal observations/interactions with Aldersly during the past 30+ years:

- 1) Their campus is clean & attractive, and has not been the source of any disruptions or problems in the neighborhood that I am aware of for all of this time.
- 2) I have known several people who live or have lived at Aldersly, and they were quite happy there, some of whom were my neighbors who decided to retire there to be close to family and friends.
- 3) For at least the past 25 years, Aldersly has supported the neighborhood association (MARA) and the neighborhood in general by providing a large meeting room for MARA's Annual Meeting, including set up, coffee & tea service, and some treats, gratis (and without requiring \$\$\$ in insurance, which is unique of the institutions in the neighborhood which were approached, whether governmental or private).

I attended several meetings over 3 years held by Aldersly starting in 2017, during which they laid out their current situation, and hopes, and then eventually plans to transform parts of their campus to allow larger units for residents, in order to stay viable in the market.

I would like to request that the SR City Council complete the various actions at the CC meeting on 12/5/2022 which are currently required so that Aldersly can move forward with their plans to renovate and update their campus. In my opinion, Aldersly is a great asset to the neighborhood, and has been for a long, long, time.

Respectfully,
Jackie Schmidt