From: Bill Brooks

To: <u>City Council Public Comments</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bennett Valley Golf Course

Date: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:43:54 PM

Reading through the city council agenda it states there would be no environmental changes so no environmental report is necessary?

175 acres of natural habitat an immense population of wild life with a live creek running through it have no effect on the environment?

The golf course is a beacon in the North Bay of golf with golfers coming from all over the Bay Area just to play our excellent muni course.

Of late our government has not given us any voice in what they are doing, PLEASE don't let this be another example. Over the last year we golfers have been paying \$2 every round for improvements that should equal \$120,000, where are those funds?

Please chose option 1 and continue with the course as is. Repair the restaurant instead of paying Real Estate \$150,000 to tell you what

you already know. Put that with the \$120,000 we have already chipped in and get a good income and many happy citizens.

Thank you,
William Brooks
Playing Bennett Valley golf for 40 years

From: storms

To: <u>CityCouncilListPublic</u>

Subject:[EXTERNAL] Bennett Valley Golf CourseDate:Wednesday, February 3, 2021 4:53:27 PM

## To the City Council:

We have lived in Bennett Valley for 30 years. The Bennett Valley golf course is not only a recreational area, but an open space. It is valuable for both reasons and is a jewel in this area of Santa Rosa.

Yes, more housing is needed. But more housing is always needed. Just as important, open space and recreational space is just as vital. And you can't replace open space that has been developed.

There is **not** a majority, not even close, here in Bennett Valley agreeing to have the beautiful golf course and park divided or parceled out.

Please take this pernicious plan off the table immediately.

Ann & Bob Storms Bennett Valley From: Pamela Ord

To: <u>CityCouncilListPublic</u>

Cc: My Email

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bennett Valley Golf Course

Date: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 8:32:42 PM

Some suggestions regarding Bennett Valley Golf Course:

- 1. Oakmont has recently dealt with the same issues regarding golf courses losing money. The research has been done. It would be worth contacting their committee for ideas.
- 2. "TopGolf" is a golf business that appeals to all age groups and makes money while preserving open space. Check topgolf.com. The company may be interested in the BV site.
- 3. Pickleball is growing fast and Santa Rosa courts (Findley and Howarth Park) are overcrowded. Please consider courts in BV.

We need opportunities for recreation and open space as well as the natural fire break Galvin Park and the BV Golf Course provide. Thank you for your consideration.

-Pamela Ord, resident of Bennett Valley for 32 years