



**Interfaith
Council of
Contra
Costa
County**

The Rev. Brian Stein-Webber, Executive Director

March 8, 2012

City of Lafayette
City Council
Planning Commission
3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Suite 210
Lafayette, Ca 94549

Re: Proposed downzoning GP02-08 and RZ02-08

Dear Council members and Commissioners,

The Executive Committee of the Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County, an organization which is comprised of 106 congregations and groups, voted on at its March 1st meeting to support the planned building of the Terraces of Lafayette project on the corner of Deer Hill Road and Pleasant Hill Road, and to oppose the downzoning of those properties.

The seventeen members of the Executive Committee, coming from a wide variety of faith communities, support the prudent building of affordable housing in all parts of the county, agreeing with the ABAG mandates regarding housing elements in general plans. They believe this proposed project will serve many people who are already working in the Lafayette area, benefiting the local economy.

As the director of the Interfaith Council, I am available for further conversation if you wish.

Yours,

Rev. Brian Stein-Webber
Executive Director

Cc: Rev. Alexis Easton (President), Rev. Margaretmary Staller (Vice-president), Rev. Leslie Takahashi Morris (Secretary), Dr. Amer Araim, Rabbi Raphael Asher, Rev. Tom Bonacci, Darlene Cioffi-Pangilla, Terry Clark, Jaleh Kilpatrick, Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Mary Lou Laubscher, Rev. Norman Luecke, Loel Bartlett Miller, Lori Ortiz, Judy Porta, Hazel Faries, Khurram Shah, Dr. Marilyn Wright