

Jacob, Melinda

From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: I support the proposal for new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue!

From: David Browne <browned@pacbell.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 8:36 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: I support the proposal for new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue!

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Attn:

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ZAB Members, I urge you to affirm staff's recommendation to adopt the EIR and approve Use Permit #ZP2022-0026 to move this project forward.

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From: Abby Gritter Zoradi <abby_gritter@berkeley.edu>
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From: Sarah Bell <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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I strongly support the proposal to create 302 new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue. Please move the proposed project forward urgently. We desperately need more housing in Berkeley, especially so close to downtown and to campus. What's more, we need to build more housing near BART to support our most important transit system. Public transit is facing severe budget shortages, and we know that building housing by transit is one of the best ways to increase ridership.

Downtown Berkeley is growing, to accommodate the demands of our growing economy and our state's growing population. We need to build taller, and downtown Berkeley BART is the best possible place to start.

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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: Additional comments 2190 Shattuck ZAB 3-30-2023

From: kelly hammargren <kellyhammargren@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 3:57 PM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>; Gong, Sharon <SGong@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: Additional comments 2190 Shattuck ZAB 3-30-2023

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Dear Zoning Adjustment Board members and Sharon Gong,

I have no idea what Ms Sharon Gong is referencing as a 2012 standard, but what I can relate is that glass windows, reflective surfaces on buildings are an absolute hazard to birds as are corner windows, free standing glass walls, transparent wind and noise barriers, skyways, balconies, rooftop appurtenances. It was Jamie Corey, a City of Berkeley Hazardous Materials intern who found two dead birds from glass strikes outside her City of Berkeley downtown office in 2018 that started the five year struggle to require bird safe features in all Berkeley buildings.

Up to one billion birds die each year from building strikes with glass. Birds don't see glass or transparent surfaces or reflective surfaces. Birds see the reflection of the sky, trees. Interior curtains, shades do not change this hazard as it is the glass on the outside that is the hazard. I can testify to that levelers on the inside of my window did not stop a bird strike and bird death. It was finding the dead bird that started my own transformation and personal motivation for bird safe film mounted on existing windows not covered with screens (exterior screens fixed in place are a bird safe option especially for replacement windows in existing buildings).

Requiring the developers of 2190 Shattuck to mitigate this hazard and install 100% bird safe glass and bird safe features must be required. The glass is going to be a special order and it can be ordered as bird safe with patterned glazing that is no more than 2" apart, glazing that birds see. The American Bird Conservancy explains building hazards and mitigations well and lists many resources. <https://abcbirds.org/>

We are in a biodiversity crisis. Birds are critical to ecosystems for planet survival. Making buildings bird safe with bird safe glass and bird safe features is a mitigation within reach if ZAB heeds current science and requires it 100% bird safe glass for 100% of the building.

kelly hammargren

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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
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From: Paul <paulbickmore@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 1:19 PM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: 2190 Shattuck Avenue

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Support the proposal to create three hundred two new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue. Move the proposed project forward now!

Homes have been proposed for this site for almost a decade. The most recent proposal from Landmark Properties and Trachtenberg Architects is a great project that serves our needs. This project will help create needed new housing supply, subsidize thirty homes for very low income residents, provide a variety of home sizes (studios, 1-,2-,3-,4-, and 5-bedroom units), boost transit ridership, provide six million six hundred thousand dollars in affordable housing fees, provide eight million nine hundred forty thousand other dollars to the city, provide one million four hundred seventy thousand dollars to the school district, and enliven our Downtown with more people. It will also meet LEED Gold standards.

Affirm city staff's recommendation to adopt the E.I.R. and approve Use Permit #ZP2022-0026 to move these homes forward!

Thank you,

Paul Bickmore

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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
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From: Milo Trauss <info@stopcrimeaction.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 11:57 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
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I strongly support the proposal to create 302 new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue. Please move the proposed project forward urgently.

I would like to move to new homes at this location with my wife and our baby. It's close to our family and is conveniently located to commute to work. Our current apartment is too small. These new homes will provide a new opportunity for us!

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From: Jake Stare <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Stephanie Beechem <stephanie@seamlessbayarea.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 10:38 AM
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I'm reaching out to express my strong support for the proposal to create 302 new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue. Please move the proposed project forward urgently.

I'm a University of California employee and work frequently with UC Berkeley faculty, staff, and students. This new housing project would benefit them and many other current (and future!) Berkeley and East Bay residents.

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Stephanie Beechem
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523 Fairmount Ave
Oakland, California 94611

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From: Ross Bernet <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: 2190 Shattuck Avenue - approve immediately

From: Mariana Almeida <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 9:47 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: 2190 Shattuck Avenue - approve immediately

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To:
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Please don't delay this important Transit Oriented Development directly above the Downtown Berkeley BART Station and AC Transit hub.

ZAB Members, I urge you to affirm staff's recommendation to adopt the EIR and approve Use Permit #ZP2022-0026 to move this project forward.

Thank you for your time!

Mariana Almeida

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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: Letter of Support: 2190 Shattuck Ave.

From: Beth Roessner <beth@berkeleychamber.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 9:17 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
Cc: Beth Roessner <beth@berkeleychamber.com>
Subject: Letter of Support: 2190 Shattuck Ave.

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Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board
2120 Milvia St.
Berkeley, CA 94704

March 27, 2023

Dear Members of the Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board,

I am writing to express the Berkeley Chamber of Commerce's support for the proposed housing development project at 2190 Shattuck Avenue in downtown Berkeley. This project aligns with our mission to promote a thriving business community that supports economic growth and prosperity for all of Berkeley's residents.

The 2190 Shattuck project will provide much-needed transit-oriented housing in Berkeley, with over 300 homes directly above the Downtown Berkeley BART Station and AC Transit hub. Of these, 30 homes will be dedicated to very-low-income residents, providing affordable housing in a location with excellent access to public transportation. We believe this project is a valuable contribution to addressing the housing crisis that is affecting our city and region.

We are also pleased to see that the 2190 Shattuck project will enhance the walkability of the Downtown Berkeley area. The ground-floor retail and pedestrian amenities directly adjacent to the BART station will create a more vibrant and inviting downtown, promoting local businesses and economic activity.

The complementary architecture of this project is also noteworthy. Designed by renowned Berkeley architecture firm, Trachtenberg Architects, the building is expected to be a beautiful and functional addition to the neighborhood. Their tremendous experience designing buildings of all scales in the city that complement their surrounding neighborhoods and communities makes us confident that this project will enhance the character of the area.

Moreover, this building is environmentally friendly. The use of solar panels, high-efficiency water heaters, low-flow plumbing, and native plant landscaping is expected to help reduce the carbon footprint and conserve resources, while the building is designed to meet LEED Gold-equivalent standards.

We also want to acknowledge the community investment that Landmark will be making in this project. Landmark has agreed to provide approximately \$6.6M in affordable housing in-lieu fees, \$8.94M in City-related fees, including the Downtown Streets and Open Space Improvement plan, public art fund, and transportation division funds, and \$1.47M paid to the Berkeley Unified School District. This investment in our community is much appreciated.

Finally, we believe that the different unit types included in the 2190 Shattuck project make it particularly valuable. The range of unit designs from studios to 1-, 2-, 3-, 4-, and 5-bedroom units is tailored to accommodate a diverse range of Berkeley residents, helping to promote a more inclusive and welcoming community.

In conclusion, we strongly support the proposed 2190 Shattuck project and urge you to approve it. We believe that this development will be a valuable addition to the downtown area, providing much-needed housing, enhancing the walkability of the area, promoting environmentally friendly practices, and making important community investments. Thank you for your consideration of our views.

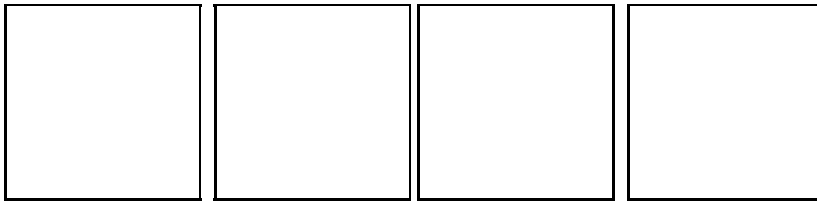
Sincerely,

Beth

Beth Roessner, CEO

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UPCOMING EVENTS

APR 10 @ 5pm | [Berkeley Business Forum](#) -- *Bus Rapid Transit Listening Session*

APR 18 @ 2pm | [Berkeley Business Forum](#) -- *New Regulations & Resources to Support Berkeley's Nightlife Economy* --
ONLINE Event

APR 20 @ 5pm | [Business After Hours](#) -- *@ Berkeley Food Network*

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From: Eric Johnson <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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As a Berkeley resident with young children, I strongly support the 2190 Shattuck project. Tall buildings with lots of housing, lots of new neighbors, and lots of street-level commercial activity are exactly what we need in downtown Berkeley, so close to BART and all of the amazing dining, services, shops and cultural institutions we have right there. I look forward to the energy and life that projects like this will bring to Berkeley for decades to come. Please move the proposed project forward urgently.

Thanks, Eric

Eric Johnson
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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: I support the 2190 Shattuck Avenue project

From: Jonathan Singh <jonathan.c.singh@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 8:08 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: I support the 2190 Shattuck Avenue project

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Hello members of the ZAB,

I strongly support the proposed housing project at 2190 Shattuck Avenue. Berkeley should be building homes next to BART and frequent buses to help reduce its residents' carbon emissions from driving. The proposed project has a small number of parking spaces, which will further encourage future residents of 2190 Shattuck to own fewer or zero cars. The IPCC and UN both agree that building dense housing near transit and jobs is a key part of reducing the world's carbon emissions. Berkeley should follow their advice. Please approve 2190 Shattuck Avenue without delay.

Jonathan

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Jonathan Singh
Email: Jonathan.C.Singh@gmail.com

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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: I support the proposal for new homes at 2190 Shattuck Avenue!

From: Jessica Fain <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 8:00 AM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
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From: Martin Bourqui <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2023 11:27 PM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>
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From: Mike Dunham <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2023 9:06 PM
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From: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB)
Subject: FW: ZAB March 30, Agenda item #2 - 2190 Shattuck Avenue

From: kelly hammargren <kellyhammargren@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2023 4:53 PM
To: Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) <Planningzab@cityofberkeley.info>; Gong, Sharon <SGong@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: ZAB March 30, Agenda item #2 - 2190 Shattuck Avenue

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Dear Zoning adjustment Board members and Sharon Gong,

The 2190 Shattuck Avenue project at Allston – Construct 25-story (267 feet, 6 inches) 397,212 sq ft mixed-use building with up to 326 dwelling units (including 32 very low income units), **is a hazard to birds.**

This hazard can be addressed and mitigated with requiring 100% bird safe glass for 100% of the building. It is critical that bird safe glass be of the latest standard with patterned glazing no more than 2" apart to all glass, reflective, transparent material including but not limited to freestanding glass walls, noise or wind barriers, skyways, balconies, greenhouses and rooftop appurtenances.

In the documents for 2190 Shattuck Avenue for the March 30, page 9 of 31 in Attachment 1, Exhibit C, ZAB 03-30-2023 (page 79 of 170 if opening the pdf for 2190 Shattuck), it states under 3.3 Biological Resources:

"The City of Berkeley has adopted bird-safe building standards that are "uniformly applicable development policies for multi-story buildings with the potential for significant bird strikes (City of Berkeley, Additional Amendments to the Master Use Permit Process, West Berkeley Project EIR, 2012). Pursuant to these standards, new buildings with the potential for significant bird strikes must adhere to specific design measures, which would be included in the conditions of approval for the proposed project, as applicable. Therefore, the City finds that the proposed project will have a less-than-significant impact on biological resources." [emphasis added]

Whatever was published in 2012 is out of date and no longer adequate in consideration to bird safety and preventing bird strikes.

2019 was a very significant year in reporting the decline of bird population. It was on September 19, 2019 when the results of the study the "Decline of the North American avifauna" with lead author Kenneth Rosenberg with ten others published in Volume 366, Issue 6461, pp 120-124 the results of their study finding that nearly 3 billion birds have vanished since 1970. The introductory abstract paragraph starts with:

Abstract

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the North American avifauna over 48 years, including once-common species and from most biomes. Integration of range-wide population trajectories and size estimates indicates a net loss approaching 3 billion birds, or 29% of 1970 abundance. A continent-wide weather radar network also reveals a similarly steep decline in biomass passage of migrating birds over a recent 10-year period. This loss of bird abundance signals an urgent need to address threats to avert future avifaunal collapse and associated loss of ecosystem integrity, function, and services. https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.aaw1313?adobe_mc=MCMID%3D51494211116447350282592002916913046432%7CMCORGID%3D242B6472541199F70A4C98A6%2540AdobeOrg%7CTS%3D1679959742

The overview of the study by Elizabeth Pennisi "Three billion North American birds have vanished since 1970, surveys show" starts with:

Staggering decline of bird populations

Because birds are conspicuous and easy to identify and count, reliable records of their occurrence have been gathered over many decades in many parts of the world. Drawing on such data for North America, Rosenberg *et al.* report wide-spread population declines of birds over the past half-century, resulting in the cumulative loss of billions of breeding individuals across a wide range of species and habitats. They show that declines are not restricted to rare and threatened species—those once considered common and wide-spread are also diminished. These results have major implications for ecosystem integrity, the conservation of wildlife more broadly, and policies associated with the protection of birds and native ecosystems on which they depend. <https://www.science.org/content/article/three-billion-north-american-birds-have-vanished-1970-surveys-show>

A 667 square foot meeting room is an entirely unsatisfactory community benefit for a building of this size, twenty five stories with 326 dwelling units.

If you need something besides saving birds from devastation, people from suffering hearing birds strikes and seeing injured, dying and dead birds, then call this a community benefit. But that aside, requiring 100% bird safe glass for 100% of the building is the responsible action that must be required.

For questions, you may contact me at 510.325.1218 or by email kellyhammargren@gmail.com I have copied in quotes from resources as I expect Board members and staff may be reluctant to open links.

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