

## CCLerk

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**From:** Kelley <kelleydewan@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 07, 2016 1:05 AM  
**To:** CCLerk  
**Subject:** Support for Kimber Park Private Open Space

Dear City Leaders,

I know you are very busy so I will try to keep this brief. I am writing as a resident of Kimber Park to ask for your support in our now years' long struggle to have the area in question permanently designated as Private Open Space. It is one of the reasons my husband and I decided to settle in this particular neighborhood. It was our understanding when we bought our home here in Kimber Park that this particular land was, in fact, already designated open space. It is definitely part of the value of our home and plays a big part in the desirability of living in this neighborhood.

This owner purchased this property and either didn't realize it was zoned as open space, or she knew and just figured with her influence and money, she could easily have the zoning changed. So she either didn't do her due diligence and therefore made a poor business decision, or she was counting on throwing her money around and hoping to influence our city leaders. Either way we should not have to sacrifice something extraordinarily special in this neighborhood in order to put money in her already plentiful pockets. I am very proud of the stance our community has taken, and will be even prouder when the city once and for all, designates this land as Private Open space.

We are asking for our city leaders to permanently designate this land as it has been designated for the last forty-something years. My husband and I implore you to support keeping this land as it was originally intended as well as promised to the original owners of these Kimber Park homes, Private Open space.

I understand the need for Fremont to remain business-friendly, but there needs to remain a balance in order for Fremont to continue to be a great place for people to live.

Thank you for your time and hopefully your support.

Sincerely,

Kelley DeWan  
Chris Shinseki  
Kimber Park Homeowners

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**From:** Sanjiv Pathak <sanjiv.pathak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 07, 2016 12:15 PM  
**To:** Bill Harrison; Lily Mei; Vinnie Bacon; Suzanne Chan; Rick Jones  
**Cc:** CCLerk  
**Subject:** Requesting Open space for Kimber

Honorable Mayor Harrison and all the council members,

We are now at a critical juncture in terms of the future of Kimber Park. My family and I have lived here since 1999 and call this area our home. Our children grew up here, went to school and are equally interested as us in preserving the beauty and sanctity of this area.

Please vote today to keep Kimber Park as open space. Kindly disallow the developers from building more in our area.

We appreciate your kind consideration.

Sincerely,  
Sanjiv, Neha, Sheelvratt and Sargam Pathak  
301, Kimber Court, Fremont, CA 94539

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**From:** Paul and Kristi <pkfrac@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2016 12:25 PM  
**To:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Copy of Save Kimber Park letter sent to Council

City Clerks Office -

I've been a member of Kimberwood/Mission Hills Tennis Club since 1981. The beautiful setting of the tennis club is unique. It's very easy to think you're in Tahoe when among the Redwood trees. This club provides a neighborhood gathering place to bring people of Fremont residence with different cultures together. What goal could be more important for the city council than uniting our community?

I've been actively involved with SAVE KIMBER PARK the past four years. I truly thought that things were finalized two years ago. But, we are here again united in strength and numbers to make sure our voices are heard to keep this parcel of land as it was originally intended to be – Open and Natural.

I'm writing to ask that you follow through and uphold the planning commission recommendations to designate this parcel of land as PRIVATE OPEN SPACE and retain this natural setting that is so unique in Fremont.

Sincerely, Kristi Fracoli

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**From:** Lei Pan <panlei@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2016 12:51 PM  
**To:** CCLerk  
**Subject:** save kimber park

Please do vote NO on the rezoning proposal of the Kimber Park open space! It is for better community of Fremont. People have been enjoying the open space and please remain it recreational. For the better future of Fremont! Thanks!!

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**From:** pichuhwang@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2016 9:12 PM  
**To:** CCLerk  
**Subject:** Save Kimber Park

Dear sirs;

I live in 178 Obispo Ct Fremont, CA 94539

I vote that this parcel-Current Mission Hills  
Tennis Club is zoned private  
open space.

Pichu Hwang

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**From:** Priya Gopalakrishnan <lakmep@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 05, 2016 1:12 AM  
**To:** Bill Harrison; Lily Mei; Vinnie Bacon; Suzanne Chan; Rick Jones - Councilmember  
**Cc:** CCLerk  
**Subject:** Save Kimber Park

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

As you may be aware in 2012 the city designated Kimber Study Area as a "Private Open Space", and now the owner/developers are again attempting to change the designation. I live in the neighborhood with my husband and 5 year old daughter and this space is right across from our house. We cherish this patch of greenery, this is where my daughter learned how to ride her bike two months ago. There are numerous health benefits associated with access to public open space such as general health and reduced stress levels and reduced depression. According to WHO, physical inactivity is a major public health risk. People who use public open space are three times more likely to meet the recommended levels of physical activity.

**Thus, improving access to public open space has the potential to increase levels of physical activity, and to have mental health benefits and reduce healthcare and other costs.**

In addition, open spaces also contribute to environmental benefits. Natural landscapes are vital to preserving the regional ecosystems amid growing cities.

I hope you will carefully consider my sincere request and the request of thousands of people who live in this neighborhood and do the right thing. Please help keep Fremont green and keep Kimber study area designated as a "Private Open Space". Thank you for reading my mail and I will be there on June 7th for the city council meeting.

Thank you,  
Priya Gopaalakrishnan  
210 Almeria Ave,  
Fremont, CA 94539

## **CClerk**

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**From:** Beth <bmarah@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 03, 2016 5:41 PM  
**To:** Bill Harrison; Lily Mei; Vinnie Bacon; Suzanne Chan; Rick Jones; CClerk  
**Subject:** June 7 City Council Meeting -Kimber Park

City Council Members,

I am strongly in support of designating the Kimber parcel as Private Open Space when you vote next Tuesday.

The current owner has not been sincere in her agreement to improve the tennis club and recreational facility. Her actions have been troublesome and not in good faith.

Private open Space is the recommendation of the Planning Department and the Planning Commission, and the decision of the previous council. All of these efforts reflect serious study, review, discussion, and deliberation. Their conclusion represents sound thinking that considers all factors.

I remain hopeful that you will see the wisdom in keeping the Kimber Parcel as Private Open Space.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Beth Mara, long time Fremont and Kimber area resident

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Deborah Anderson <debianders@me.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 03, 2016 5:18 PM  
**To:** Bill Harrison; Lily Mei; Vinnie Bacon; Suzanne Chan; Rick Jones; CCLerk  
**Cc:** Mara Glenn  
**Subject:** June 7 Council Meeting - Kimber Private Open Space

Dear Council Members,

My husband and I are original residents of Kimber Park and active voters in city elections. I was a teacher at Gomes School for over 20 years, and my husband was an air traffic controller here at Oakland Center on Central Avenue for over 30 years. We are deeply vested in this city.

We are vehemently in support of retaining the Kimber Private Open Space designation when you vote next Tuesday. The current owner has used underhanded tricks to lull city officials and residents into thinking she was sincere in her agreement to improve the tennis club and to not build houses in the parcel. Her actions totally belie her true intent.

Not only is Private open Space the recommendation of your own Planning Commission, and the decision of the previous council, it is even more important to not add to the horrendous traffic that exists and will worsen when all the houses on Stevenson Place and at the intersection of Stevenson and Mission are built.

We remain optimistic that you will see the wisdom in keeping the Kimber Area as Private Open Space. Thank you for your consideration,

Deborah Anderson  
40378 Loro Place  
Fremont

## Merry Monlux

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**From:** Kenneth Hall <krhall2020@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:28 PM  
**To:** Rick Jones - Councilmember  
**Cc:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Kimber=PRIVATE OPEN SPACE

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Dear Council Member Rick Jones,

On June 7<sup>th</sup> 2016, at the Fremont City Council meeting, please vote to move the Kimber Study Area into the land use designation of PRIVATE OPEN SPACE.

I have lived in Fremont for the past 41 years and know the history of this special parcel of green open space in our neighborhood. This site was used by the Kimber Corporation as an employee recreation area. Later, the Shapell Homes designed and built their development, KimberWoods, around this parcel as an amenity for preserving natural open space and recreational use for all of Fremont.

Thru the years, the Fremont planning staff and the Planning Commission has recommended the designation of PRIVATE OPEN SPACE as the correct designation. As you know, the City Council, in its last vote also voted to designate this parcel PRIVATE OPEN SPACE.

Since the last City Council vote, nothing has changed. The correct designation is PRIVATE OPEN SPACE. Keep this parcel open for recreational use and protect open space for the neighborhood. Please listen to the recommendations from your own Planning Staffers and Planning Commissioners who has advised over and over again that PRIVATE OPEN SPACE is the best designation for Kimber.

Thank You, and I am looking forward for Your Support and Vote on June 7, 2016

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**From:** Kenneth Hall <krhall2020@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:21 PM  
**To:** Vinnie Bacon  
**Cc:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Kimber=PRIVATE OPEN SPACE

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Dear Council Member Vinnie Bacon,

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**From:** Kenneth Hall <krhall2020@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:17 PM  
**To:** Suzanne Chan  
**Cc:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Kimber=PRIVATE OPEN SPACE

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Dear Council Member Suzanne Lee Chan,

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**From:** Kenneth Hall <krhall2020@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:15 PM  
**To:** Lily Mei  
**Cc:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Kimber=PRIVATE OPEN SPACE

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Dear Vice Mayor Lily Mei,

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**Cc:** CClerk  
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**From:** Sunil Dhar <sunil.dhar@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 4:03 PM  
**To:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Fwd: Kimber Park General Plan Amendment

Submitted as part of the record for the agenda item on Kimber Park General Plan Amendment.

Thank you

Sunil Dhar

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Sunil Dhar <sunil.dhar@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Wed, Jun 1, 2016 at 3:25 PM  
**Subject:** Kimber Park General Plan Amendment  
**To:** Bill Harrison <bharrison@fremont.gov>, Lily Mei <lmei@fremont.gov>, Vinnie Bacon <vbacon@fremont.gov>, Sue Chan <schan@fremont.gov>, Rick Jones <rljones@fremont.gov>

Dear Fremont Mayor and Council Members,

Thank you for your public service to the City of Fremont. I am writing to you about the proposed General Plan amendment for Kimber Park that will be on the City Council agenda for June 7. When this issue is discussed I would like you to vote to approve the recommendation of the Fremont Planning Commission and the Fremont Planning Staff.

In your deliberation I would like you to consider the will of the people of Fremont and not the will of an investor trying to recoup their bad investment by asking you to reject the will of the people of Fremont. Please keep in mind that the voters of Fremont that signed an Open Space Petition three years ago. That was followed by a development agreement on the development of the Kimber Park parcel. This agreement was approved by the City Council after discussions by all parties, city, neighbors and the property owner before the City amended the General Plan to reflect Private Open Space for the property. We thought this issue was closed.

While the property owner sued the city, the Judge ruled in favor of the property owner against the city on the process used by the city for the amendment of the General Plan in designating the parcel of land from Kimber

Study Area to Private Open Space. The courts DID NOT invalidate the development agreement on the property. The recent results of the city initiated General Plan amendment process to amend the General Plan has resulted in the recommendation to the City Council that the parcel be designated Private Open Space. Since the Fremont Planning staff and Planning Commission has reached the same recommendation as they did three years ago, I would strongly urge you to approve the recommendation by the Planning Commission and allow the General Plan to be amended to specify this parcel of land as Private Open Space, that reflects the best use for the property. This clearly indicates that the city staff knew what they were doing while developing the General Plan and nothing in the General Plan that changes the best use of this parcel of land.

Please do not place the designation of this parcel in limbo again. The new approved City of Fremont General Plan, that the city staff and consultants have worked so hard on, states community character and preservation of open space as two key elements that were taken into consideration during its creation. The planned development zoning for the Kimber Park parcel is already “private open space” and the new General Plan simply aligns the two documents properly to avoid confusion in the future.

Please do not be swayed by the property owners concerns about property value (as they made at the Planning Commission Meeting earlier this year). City council and the tax payers of Fremont DO NOT have an obligation to bail out investors in this property due to speculation and greed. You need to consider the people of Fremont and not allow the businesses to demand property speculation guarantees for pure personal gain.

**Please vote with the voters of Fremont and help to protect the voters wishes that was made with the Open Space Initiative.**

regards

**Sunil Dhar**

**27 Year resident of Fremont**

**22 Year resident of Kimber Park**

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**From:** Diane Geschke <dlgeschke@me.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 2:10 PM  
**To:** Bill Harrison; Lily Mei; Vinnie Bacon; Suzanne Chan; Rick Jones  
**Cc:** CClerk  
**Subject:** Kimber Park Open Space

June 1, 2016

To: Mayor Bill Harrison

Lily Mei

Vinnie Bacon

Sue Chan

Rick Jones

Cc: City Clerk

3300 Capital Ave., Fremont, CA 94538

Dear Fremont City Council Members,

Thank you for your service to our city. We appreciate your time devoted to Fremont. We are writing to you regarding the Kimber Park Open Space item that will be before you on June 7, 2016. We live in the Kimber Park neighborhood at 155 Obispo Ct. We would have liked to be at the City Council meeting on June 7th, but we have a child who is being promoted at a ceremony at Hopkins Junior High the same night and time as your council meeting.

We would like you to vote to PRESERVE THE KIMBER PARK OPEN SPACE as the Planning Commission recommended recently. This parcel of open space was planned when the Kimber Park Housing development was approved originally, in the 1970's, and it should not be changed now. I don't believe that because the original homeowners are aging that the original plan should be changed as the property owner's lawyer stated at the Planning Commission meeting. We believe this undeveloped parcel of land adds beauty, serenity, and a sense of nature in a constantly changing world.

Fremont has developed/or is developing every square inch of open space property in the city already. If you're not careful, the only open space left will be Central Park. Open Space gives people a calmness in this very congested city. Traffic has become almost unbearable. Do we really need another restaurant or strip mall?? In a housing development no less? We're tired of this conflict. The owner of the parcel of land wants to recoup her expensive purchase by building housing on it. It was designed as an open space for the Kimber Park housing development and we would like to keep it that way. Open space shouldn't be relegated to a driveway or a court or a street.

Thank you for settling this matter once and for all.

Diane, Peter, Matthew, William, and Daniel Geschke

155 Obispo Ct. Fremont, CA 94539

510-657-8121