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From: Lisa Danz <ldanz@gmail.com>
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To: citycouncil
Subject: Nov 14, Item 5A: support

Dear Fremont Mayor and City Council,

I am very excited that the City of Fremont is working on implementation of the Housing Element. As you know, I was heavily involved with giving input to the Housing Element along with other members of Fremont for Everyone. I'm proud to have had the opportunity to push for a strong Housing Element, and this is a moment of joy to see our hard work paying off.

I'm also proud to live in a city that's doing what it is supposed to be doing and staying on top of the schedule imposed by the Housing Element and by state law. Every city is supposed to be doing that, but unfortunately some are dragging their heels and waiting to be sued. In contrast, Fremont is proactively taking the initiative and getting it done.

Please share my gratitude with Mayank Patel and the planning staff for their hard work.

Please support Item 5A.

I would further urge you, as we go through these next 8 years, to look for opportunities to do even more for the city's ability to build affordable housing than what's specifically prescribed in the Housing Element. Let's aggressively find and tear down barriers to housing affordability, such as increasing or eliminating density maximums and decreasing or eliminating parking minimums.

The Housing Element is an important step, and this item 5A is critical for making that vision a reality. Let's support 5A now and step even further in the future.

Sincerely,
Lisa Danz