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Dear member of the Aptos community,

Ignoring the legal issues raised by attorney Bill Parkin, the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors approved the Final Map for the Aptos Village Project on December 8, 2015.

As described by Bill Parkin, the Final Map does not comply with the Tentative Map's blueprint for a mixed-use commercial and residential development, with common areas and public utilities easement sites. In his letter to the Board of Supervisors dated December 7, 2015, Parkin argues that:

*By doing away with the parcels and lots and replacing them as two remainder parcels... the Final Map allows a substantial portion of the project to be set aside for an unknown future use... In other words, nine mixed-use buildings and four common area parcels may now be sold and developed without any further requirements associated with filing of final maps.**

This means that an even denser development could be built. In addition, the "Future County Park" is not shown on the Final Map raising more questions about the developer's intent. Barry Swenson Builder recorded the Final Map on December 21.

We Are Aptos community members have concluded that legal action is necessary to insure that the Aptos Village Project retains the character and features laid out in the Tentative Map's blueprint, including:

- Mixed use commercial and residential buildings
- Critical common areas and green space
- Public utility easements and public pedestrian sidewalks
- Future county park site

We need your help to go forward with this lawsuit. Over the past several months many of you have contributed to our efforts, raising awareness about the impact this development will have on traffic, water, density and safety, and making these concerns more widely understood.

Please donate now to the legal fund by sending a check or money order payable to *We Are Aptos*, P. O. Box 2706, Aptos CA 95001-2706. Together we can make the Aptos Village Project better.

Thank you again for your support!

We Are Aptos

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* The complete text of Bill Parkin's four-page letter to the Board of Supervisors may be viewed at the *We Are Aptos* website: <http://www.weareaptos.com/>