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c/o City Clerk  
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RE: Support for May 4, 2021 City Council Agenda Item # 4, West Oaks

To Mayor and members of the City Council:

As a resident of the City of Carlsbad, I am writing you today to express my support for the West Oaks housing project being considered by the Council at its May 4, 2021 meeting.

My husband and I are fortunate to own a house where we are raising our family in this City. However, we recognize that our reality of being able to live in this City remains a dream for many area workers, young people, and would-be residents struggling to afford a home in the City and San Diego region. For those people, the exorbitant costs and housing supply shortage means long commutes to distant housing, less time spent with families and friends, more time sitting in traffic on area roadways, living “house poor,” residing in overcrowded and unsafe housing, or worse — becoming homeless.

Carlsbad offers its residents a wonderful lifestyle, safe community, quality schools, and numerous other benefits that should be shared with its workers of all ages and races, at varying social and economic levels. The West Oaks project proposes a smart development that accommodates a variety of residents on an underutilized site in the City — a site that has remained vacant for years under its current industrial designation. A redesignation of this property to provide for workforce housing seems long overdue.

Approving the project will mean housing for hundreds of residents will be provided on an infill, already graded site so as not to increase sprawl within the City’s open spaces. Building within the already developed Palomar Airport Road corridor on a site conveniently located close to jobs, services, parks and schools seems like a no-brainer. West Oaks will help balance jobs and housing precisely where it is needed. And the apartment housing proposed will provide a more affordable option for local housing in a manner that will reduce commuter traffic and strengthen this wonderful community. Please vote to approve the West Oaks project. Thank you.

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