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The Honorable Dwight Worden

Mayor, City of Del Mar

1050 Camino Del Mar

Del Mar, CA 92014

RE: Seaside Ridge, Del Mar – SUPPORT

Dear Mayor Worden:

On behalf of the YIMBY Democrats of San Diego County, please accept this letter in support of the Seaside Ridge Project, which will provide much needed housing in Del Mar.

The YIMBY Democrats of San Diego County are dedicated to growing San Diego in the communities where we live. In addition to developing more affordable and market-rate housing to increase the supply of housing, we believe in prioritizing infill development near transit and employment centers with the goal of increasing our housing supply, leveraging our urban environments, protecting our natural resources and advancing economic inclusion and opportunity for all.

The Seaside Ridge Project will build 259 units, which would provide 78% of the City's need for 54 lower income units in the 6th housing cycle and well over 100% of the City's moderate-income need. This will provide equitable coastal access for a range of income groups. The project, which is conveniently located near major transportation corridors and in close proximity to large employment centers in Sorrento Mesa and Carlsbad, features a scaled design sensitive to the coastal bluff and ensures public safety.

Seaside Ridge will significantly boost the number of affordable housing units in Del Mar and help the City comply with California's Housing Element Law. Unfortunately, Del Mar remains one of a handful of cities in San Diego County that is out of compliance with this law, which requires every city to create a plan for the production of affordable housing units between 2021-2029.

A national [study](#) released earlier this year concludes that San Diego County has become the least affordable housing market in the United States, surpassing San Francisco. The dearth of affordably-priced housing units has pushed our working families to the brink, and in many cases, to the streets. We must all work together — in every city and in every community — to create more affordable housing opportunities for the people of San Diego County.



For these reasons, YIMBY Democrats of San Diego County respectfully urge the support of the Seaside Ridge Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angeli Calinog", written in a cursive style.

Angeli Calinog
President
YIMBY Democrats of San Diego County