

## Community Workshop on the Housing Element

April 8, 2014

### Summary of Large Group Debrief

<b>Question 1:</b> What are your top three takeaways?	<b>Question 2:</b> What was it like listening to everyone's perspectives?	<b>Question 3:</b> What did you discover about placing the homes?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of homes and the locations</li> <li>• Better understanding of density, in terms of how many homes can be placed on specific locations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We would like to have better communication between the County and Marin City community about the Housing Element.</li> <li>• Engaging conversation, learned about perspectives, histories, and talked about possibilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focused on housing in Marin City rather than other areas, since that is the community we are most familiar with.</li> <li>• There is a housing need that needs to be addressed, and community needs to get involved.</li> <li>• The County Supervisor needs to hear from the community and be involved.</li> <li>• Affordable housing should be spread out equitably throughout the County rather than concentrated in focused areas.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finding perspectives, trying to find healthy balance between existing neighborhoods and potential changes that new homes could bring.</li> <li>• Difficult to reach consensus about any potential sites.</li> <li>• Would be more productive to have focused on particular area rather than the entire County.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difficult to begin conversation, but were able to eventually come to mutual understanding.</li> <li>• Focusing on issues we had control over helped us reach consensus and progress through the exercise.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Needed more clarity about what the specific housing numbers for each site mean and where they come from.</li> <li>• Unclear why those limits were there.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wanted to know what the facts were.</li> <li>• Found out Marinwood is the only existing application of all the sites presented, which provided assumptions to work with.</li> <li>• Realized this process is complex and takes time to work through.</li> <li>• We don't want to continue to segregate housing by income.</li> <li>• Economy and zoning are also extremely important when talking about future housing.</li> <li>• Need more/improved communication.</li> <li>• Housing that is developed as affordable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each group member brought a unique viewpoint to the conversation.</li> <li>• Discussed what the County's responsibility is regarding the Housing Element, and what the difference is between the Housing Element and the PDA.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Existing application at Marinwood provided guidance/starting point for placing homes.</li> <li>• Tried to consider multiple factors that affect housing.</li> <li>• Student housing in Indian Valley was discussed as an important consideration.</li> </ul>

<p>should remain affordable – should be protected.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More information was needed to make better informed decisions.</li> <li>• Need more community-specific engagement in the form of community meetings focused on specific sites.</li> <li>• We need a process that more effectively incorporates the public’s recommendations into the decisions that are made about housing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No trouble sharing perspectives and listening to one another.</li> </ul>	<p><i>N/A – no feedback on this question</i></p>