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### City Council of the City of Napa Regular Meeting November 19, 2019

#### FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA:

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION:**

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

• Written communication from Susan Blake.

#### **6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

# <u>6.C.</u> Potential Advisory Ballot Measure for March 3, 2020 Election.

Written communication from Nancy McCoy-Blotzke.

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Our Neighborhood is wondering if you, Senator Dodd, Support the Heritage House project that is being forced into our residential area. The powers that be are comparing the project to one in Fremont CA. Tucking the residents of this project into a quiet residential area with a HS in the neighborhood that already has a population of Registered Sex Offenders seems to be adding fat to the fire. I've been in touch with one of our Napa Police Captains to review the List of 95 (in Napa) offenders. There are too many too close to schools. Please offer some assistance in re-locating the (Especially) the Sexually Violent Predator who live a very short (not the required distance) from Pre-School, High School. It seems to many of us that rehabilitating the building in question (Heritage House) and filling it with Low Income Seniors who number in the hundreds (I'm a HUD Sec 8 apt recipient) on the list as opposed to the fewer than 100 homeless this project will house.

I understand you will be speaking as well as several others. Does that mean none of you will answer questions? Just listening to more of the same is not going to make a happy audience. It has come across my desk to query whether you have enough pull to change the project into one that the community /neighborhood can stand behind instead of against. This is my plea, please help re-direct the project. You are aware the HUD application process is closed and they are working off of a list that is over 1000 applicants, hundreds are SENIORS

Submitted by Susaw Blake



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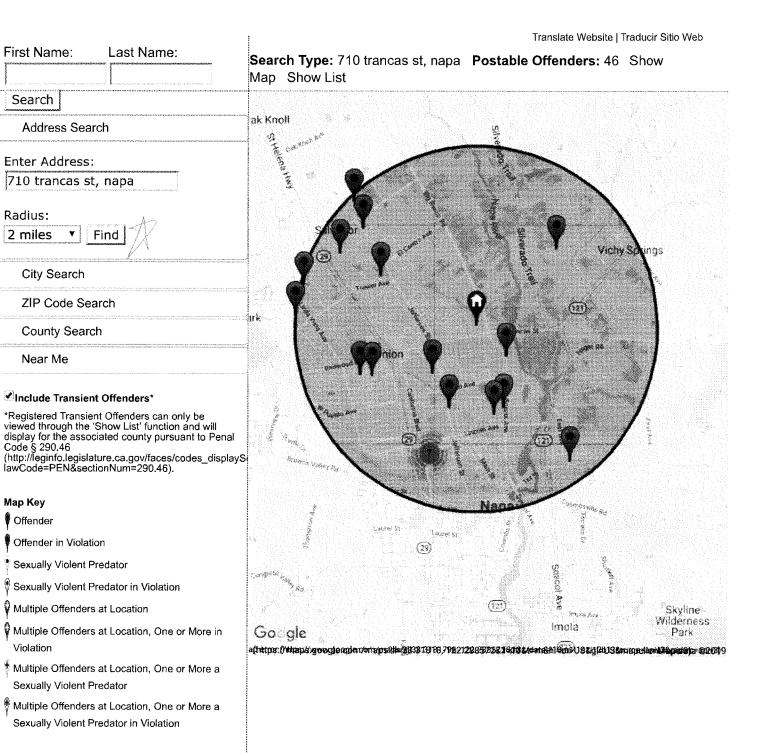
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## California Megan's Law Website

State of California Department of Justice Office of the Attorney General



Submitted by Susan Blake



My name is Nancy McCoy-Blotzke,

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Thank you for this opportunity to speak.

First of all, I am asking that the City please not waste it's valuable resources—up to \$100,000—on a plebiscite. We know Verizon has the money to do a glossy campaign to turn the vote in their favor. It would simply be another mandate for them to install the cell towers.

Due to some earlier unfortunate decisions, the City of Napa has found itself in a difficult position regarding safety of close proximity microwave radiating antennas (CPMRAs) called cell towers—with the choice to either risk the health of the community, or risk being sued by Verizon.

However there may be a way forward that does not involve those risks.

We are grateful that Mr. Potter has not yet signed the Verizon agreement. This gives us the opportunity to deem Verizon applications incomplete until the wireless industry or the FCC completes the NEPA environmental assessment. (This review has been authorized in the 8/9/19 decision by the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in court case #18-1129.) That environmental review is likely to take more than a year.

This will give the City time to update it's municipal code to provide safer, faster and more reliable resources by doing the following:

- 1) Restrict the power output of new CPMRAs to a safe power level that will still be able to provide voice coverage all that is mandated by the FCC, but far below the level that is now being used.
- 2) Develop a monitoring system that will cut power to the transmitter if the output is exceeded.
- 3) Require a junction box at the base of the tower that can be used to run fiber to nearby homes and businesses—thus providing much higher transmission speeds than wireless.

The health consequences of wireless radiation—especially 5G--are already well documented. We can prevent the disaster that other communities are already experiencing.

The California Supreme Court on April 4, 2019 verified that California cities have the authority to ensure that Wireless Telecommunications Facilities (WTFs) do not incommode the quiet enjoyment of the streets—including health and safety risks. The health effects already evident in 5G rollouts would prevent that enjoyment.

We urge you to take this path that will give control to the City and safeguard yourself, your family, and all Napa residents. It is easier to prevent the damage than to fix it

Thank you so much in advance for your support!