HOW COMMUNITY COUNCILS CAN TAKE ACTION

Though our City currently makes big development deals without much community input, developers must get community council approval for things like zoning changes. So we've created a way for councils to make the most of these opportunities by using the Rubric to inform their votes and negotiate terms.

We've created 5-step guides-- one for councils and one for developers-- laying out a reasonable, transparent evaluation process that includes a Developer Questionnaire and Rubric scoring.

COUNCILS CAN:

- Require developers who seek their approval to complete the Rubric forms. The results will create greater transparency and encourage developers to include community benefits.
- Issue a letter of support for the Rubric to be built into City practice and policy. Join other councils and orgs in making a strong case to the City.
- Commit to a minimum score for projects in your neighborhood to receive council support.

We suggest taking care of the first 2 actions ASAP, and working to advance the 3rd. As multiple community councils take these steps *together*, we can create a unique kind of pressure on City Hall to change the way it does business with developers.

PEASLEE SUPPORT

We'd love to support you in your action efforts inside and outside your community council. The materials listed below can be found at peasleecenter.org/rubric, and we can provide additional education on their use. Please let us know how we can help!

TOOLS & RESOURCES WE CAN SHARE WITH YOU:

The Rubric
Scoresheet
Notes on categories and standards
Area Median Income Housing Chart
Neighborhoods and Scores Guide
Community Council Guide
Developer Guide
Developer Questionnaire
Inclusionary Housing Calculator
Community Council Endorsement Letter
Organization Endorsement Form

TOOLS AND RESOURCES WE'RE WORKING ON:

Community Council/Developer MOU Guidelines for Community Input

CONTACT US!

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