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Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 3:24 PM
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Subject: Support for Baylands proposal

Dear Brisbane Mayor, City Council, and City Manager,

As long time residents of Brisbane, my wife and I would like to voice our support for residential housing as part of Universal Paragons proposal to develop the Baylands.

Three points we would like to emphasize;

First, The Bay Area needs housing and Brisbane taking a “Not in our backyard” stance is self centered and does not support our larger community as a whole.

Second, there are concerns that residential housing will detract from the home town feel of old Brisbane. This is unfounded, and for proof one only needs to look at the Ridge and how little effect, if any, it has had on old town Brisbane. We do believe that UP’s proposed 4,000 plus units may be a bit much, but recognize that any development needs to be financially viable, so we support something around 3,000 residential units.

Third are the unfounded concerns that the environment will not be safe for family habitation. We want to point to the science that proves this paranoia is unsupported. There is historical evidence that landfills such as the Baylands can be capped and sealed with no environmental hazard to long term residents.

UP’s proposal provides many benefits for the City of Brisbane and its inhabitants. Please negotiate with UP to allow residential housing and let’s get the Baylands project underway!

Thank you for your service to our community.

Sincerely,

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