

From: [Jerry Chen](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: cegagreen@gmail.com
Subject: 1776 Green Street CEQA
Date: Sunday, October 4, 2020 4:43:45 PM

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President Norman Yee and Members of the Board of Supervisors
c/o Angela Cavillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102
bos@sfgov.org

RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA
Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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Thank you,

Jerry Chen

540 Delancey Street #401
San Francisco, CA 94107

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:39:00 AM

From: Anthony M. Garcia <anthony.garcia@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Thank you,

Anthony Garcia
765E Portola Street
San Francisco, CA 94129

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review (File No. 200908)
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:40:00 AM

From: Fred Seguritan <fredseguritan@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 4:00 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and done safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Thank you,

Fred Seguritan

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support of appeal re: 1776 Green St, File 200908
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:57:00 AM

From: Martha Nicholson <marthaknicholson@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 7:28 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Support of appeal re: 1776 Green St, File 200908

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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 – SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a longtime resident of San Francisco, a board certified pediatrician trained at UCSF and UC Davis, and currently in practice at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford University.

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community around 1776 Green Street and throughout San Francisco.

As a pediatrician and a mother of two school-aged children, I think it's unacceptable that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review of 1776 Green Street, especially since the site is highly contaminated with carcinogens including benzene, which is known to cause leukemia. The proposed project is within a one-block radius of three sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyne Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. As a result, there should be *heightened* environmental review of this project rather than an exemption from CEQA review. In light of all of the environmental and health challenges San Francisco is currently facing, from the wildfires to COVID-19, it seems that the Board of Supervisors should do everything within its power to support our health and wellbeing, and that includes heightened environmental review of projects on sites contaminated with toxic materials.

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Sincerely,

Martha Nicholson, MD
361 Warren Drive
San Francisco, CA
94131

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 9:13:00 AM

From: Demi Seguritan <demihuynh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 11:33 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908

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Thank you,

Demi Seguritan

Demi H. Seguritan
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To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 9:14:00 AM

From: Mike Hsieh <hsiehdog@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 8:42 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Thank you,

Mike Hsieh
2808 Laguna Street, SF, CA 94123

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Thursday, October 8, 2020 11:53:00 AM

From: Andy H <sfcane@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 8, 2020 11:42 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a long-time resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community around 1776 Green Street and throughout San Francisco.

As the father of two school-aged children, I think it's unacceptable that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review of 1776 Green Street, especially since the site is highly contaminated with carcinogens including benzene, which is known to cause leukemia. The proposed project is within a one-block radius of three public resources which are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. As a result, there should be *heightened* environmental review of this project rather than an exemption from CEQA review. In light of all of the environmental and health challenges San Francisco is currently facing, from the wildfires to COVID-19, the Board of Supervisors should do everything within its power to support our health and wellbeing, and that includes CEQA review of projects on sites contaminated with toxic materials.

Thank you,

Andy Hahn
475 Belvedere St
San Francisco, CA 94117

From: [Jane Ibrahim Gaito](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Sunday, October 11, 2020 2:12:20 AM
Attachments: [1776 Green Street - Gaito BOS Appeal.pdf](#)

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Attached please find my letter regarding 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908. I support the appeal of the CEQA determination of exemption from environmental review.

Thank you,
Jane Gaito

Jane and Mike Gaito
1889 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

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Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

We are writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. As residents of the neighborhood for 12 years, we welcome the development of 1776 Green Street. However, this project needs to be done in a safe and legal manner. The developer intends to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with benzene, a known carcinogen that causes leukemia, at levels over 900 times in excess of state residential standards. CEQA review is required to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents.

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There is no question that San Francisco faces a housing shortage. However, in an effort to solve that problem, the City must ensure that it does not create a new health issue. Housing development and safety are not mutually exclusive; the City can and should accomplish both goals. CEQA section 21084c requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents both near this project and throughout San Francisco. Once this site has been adequately cleaned up, we welcome the new development at 1776 Green Street. Thank you in advance for preserving the health, safety and character of our beloved neighborhood.

Sincerely,


Jane and Mike Gaito

From: [Christine Varon](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Sunday, October 11, 2020 9:20:22 PM
Attachments: [Christine and Sol Varon.pdf](#)

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Christine Varon
2232 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

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Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

We are writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. We moved from our dream home after finding out our dream was over a contamination site listed at <https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/map/?myaddress=94123> where an old Manufacturing Gas Plant once operated. We bought the house the year we got married in 1997 and had our three beautiful daughters in the home. We were not aware of this contamination. All three of our children have autoimmune disorders ranging from mild to extremely severe. Our middle daughter lives in a wheel chair, has no speech and needs 24-hour care for all her life activities. Our youngest daughter has T1D and two other autoimmune disorders and our oldest daughter has Autoimmune Urticaria and Hashimoto's disease. We uprooted our lives and moved from our perfectly retrofitted home with a commercial sized elevator and customized everything for our daughter to Green Street to get away from the contamination. We are still adapting this home for her use and have been working on this for two plus year installing a ramp, to the side walk, a new bathroom for her and other modifications. She still cannot access our backyard which is our next project. Now, potential contamination is down the street again

I am in the real estate business but there is a safe way to remediate the toxic chemicals from inches below the ground at 1776 Green Street and it is outrageous that somehow this developer is getting an exemption from doing this properly. This site contains the same toxic chemicals that the site we moved away from. CEQA review is required to lay out the proper remediation plan to properly cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members walking by, construction workers, and future residents. Furthermore, 1776 Green Street is located within a one-block radius of three important public resources for the community: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and Golden Gate Valley Library, which offers highly popular programming for children and seniors. Children and the elderly have a higher risk of negative health outcomes due to exposure to toxic materials.

The City of San Francisco and the planning department hopefully have health and safety as their number one priority especially now when we have so much we don't have control over with the covid-19 virus. A heightened environmental review of this project would be in order, not an exemption. Allowing this project to go forward without the proper remediation and safety measures is in my opinion hazardous and irresponsible. CEQA section 21084c requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street.

Sincerely,

christine varon

Christine Varon

From: [Ben Chuba](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Enforce proper environmental reviews for 1776 Greet Street
Date: Sunday, October 11, 2020 10:44:57 PM

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Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. While I support the development of additional housing, it would be foolish to build housing that contaminates the city and/or is marred by environmental issues similar to Hunters Point or Treasure Island.

The developer intends to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with benzene, a known carcinogen that causes leukemia, at levels over 900 times in excess of state residential standards. As someone who has lost too many loved ones to Leukemia, I believe it's irresponsible for the BOS to allow this construction to continue without proper review. CEQA review is required to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents.

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Again, I support the development of new housing, but not by sacrificing the health and lives of our citizens.

Sincerely,
Ben Chuba
150 Guerrero Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

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From: [Marian Heath](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: cegagreen@gmail.com
Subject: Cow Hollow project site
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 10:51:47 AM

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Thank you,

Marian Heath
3332 Washington Street
SF 94118

From: [Bethany Rogers](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 10:56:08 AM

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Thank you,

Bethany Rogers
3914 Cesar Chavez St, San Francisco, CA 94131

From: [Christine Varon](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 1:55:03 PM
Attachments: [Alexandra Varon.pdf](#)

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Alexandra Varon
2232 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

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I am writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. I live at 2232 Green Street with my sister Sarah who is disabled. She takes daily walks in her walker past this property as that is the only flat way to go and she loves the park at the end of the street. The thought of her walking by when chemicals are being exposed during construction and after is quite upsetting.

The CEQA review is required to lay out the proper remediation plan to properly cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members walking by, construction workers, and future residents. Furthermore, 1776 Green Street is located within a one-block radius of three important public resources for the community: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and Golden Gate Valley Library, which offers highly popular programming for children and seniors. Children and the elderly have a higher risk of negative health outcomes due to exposure to toxic materials.

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Sincerely,

Alexandra Varon

From: [Daisy Gauck](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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via email

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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

My family and I live across the street from the proposed site and we are writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** We're deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around 1776 Green Street but also throughout San Francisco. I am not opposed to the development but simply ask that the City comply with CEQA on this project.

Thank you,
Daisy Gauck
1785 Green St.
SF, CA 94123

From: [Al McDonald](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 2:18:06 PM

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San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Why in the world would the San Francisco Board of Supervisors exempt this project from adherence to CEQA processes? The project does not address a single City priority for housing. If the Board allows the exemption to stand, you would simply provide a group of wealthy investors an opportunity to convert this lot while disregarding legally required environmental processes so they can build at minimum expense luxury condominiums for luxury buyers, thereby maximizing their profits -- the health of surrounding neighbors, nearby Allysne Park, Sherman Elementary School, and SF Library/Golden Gate Branch be damned.

CEQA processes ensure that contaminated sites are environmentally remediated fully and verifiably. Adherence protects neighbors from careless cleanups. Why would the Board of Supervisors even contemplate granting an exemption from these rules? Our City failed Hunters Point and Treasure Island residents. Do not allow the SF Department of Public Health to continue this alarming pattern of shoddy remediation practices. Have the project conduct its activities in a manner that protects our health: in accordance with CEQA mandated practices.

Alfredo McDonald
1761 Green St
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Christine Varon](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street appeal.
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 2:35:23 PM
Attachments: [Christine and Sol Varon.docx](#)

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Christine and Sol Varon
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San Francisco, CA 94123

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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

We are writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. We moved from the Marina after finding out our family home was over a PGE former Filmore Manufacturing Gas Plant contamination site. We bought the house the year we got married in 1997 and had our three beautiful daughters in the home. We were not made aware of this contamination. All three of our children have autoimmune disorders ranging from mild to extremely severe. Our middle daughter lives in a wheel chair, has no speech and needs 24-hour care for all her life activities. Our youngest daughter has T1D and two other autoimmune disorders and our oldest daughter has Autoimmune Urticaria and Hashimoto's disease. We uprooted our lives and moved to Green Street to get away from the contamination.

I am in the real estate business and pro-development in the area but there is a safe way to remediate the toxic chemicals from inches below the ground at 1776 Green Street and it is outrageous that somehow this developer is getting an exemption from doing this properly.

This site contains the same toxic chemicals that the PGE site has with benzene being one of the worst. CEQA review is required to lay out the proper remediation plan to properly cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members walking by, construction workers, and future residents. Furthermore, 1776 Green Street is located within a one-block radius of three important public resources for the community: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and Golden Gate Valley Library, which offers highly popular programming for children and seniors. Children and the elderly have a higher risk of negative health outcomes due to exposure to toxic materials. As a family with two school aged daughters, we are especially concerned.

The City of San Francisco and the planning department hopefully have health and safety as their number one priority especially now when we have so much we don't have control over with the covid-19 virus. A heightened environmental review of this project would be in order, not an exemption. Allowing this project to go forward without the proper remediation and safety measures is in my opinion hazardous and irresponsible. CEQA section 21084c requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street.

Sincerely,

Christine Varon

Christine and Sol Varon

From: [Jeanne Barr](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 3:42:23 PM

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Re: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Support of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors

I live next door to the proposed construction site and although I am not against the development, I will support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. The City should comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the communities throughout San Francisco.

Thank you

Jeanne Barr
1780 Green Street

From: [David Ellis](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 5:08:15 PM

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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** We need more housing in San Francisco for residents and immigrants of all income levels, and that means we need tons of housing and infrastructure construction. While CEQA is sometimes misused to stop measures that would alleviate the housing crisis, this is not the case here. With this project, the project site is highly contaminated with toxic materials, including known carcinogens. One of the carcinogenic materials at this site is benzene. I understand that data obtained via a public records request from the Department of Public Health shows that benzene levels are more than nine hundred times in excess of what the State of CA deems safe for residential and commercial use. This is unacceptable.

We need a proper review of this site to ensure the health of SF's residents. We also need more housing and infrastructure construction to alleviate our housing shortage. We should be able to do both.

Thank you,
David Ellis
1051 Alabama Street San Francisco CA 94110

From: [Liz Lin](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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RE: [1776 Green Street, File No.](#) 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA
Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a long-time resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around [1776 Green Street](#) but also throughout San Francisco. I am not opposed to the development project but urge that the city comply with CEQA.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Lin
718 Long Bridge St #803
San Francisco, CA 94158

From: [Courtney Cherry Ellis](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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I'm a resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.**

We need more housing in San Francisco for residents and immigrants of all income levels, but we do need to do so in a way that is safe for our current residents and their families. That means we need a massive increase in housing and infrastructure construction on sites that are safe for residential building.

While CEQA is sometimes misused to stop measures that would alleviate the housing crisis, this is not the case here. With this project, the project site is highly contaminated with toxic materials, including known carcinogens. One of the carcinogenic materials at this site is benzene. I understand that data obtained via a public records request from the Department of Public Health shows that benzene levels are more than nine hundred times in excess of what the State of CA deems safe for residential and commercial use. This is unacceptable.

We need a proper review of this site to ensure the health of SF's residents. We also need more housing and infrastructure construction to alleviate our housing shortage, so that we are not forced to build on compromised and unsafe sites. We should be able to do both- expanding access to all that San Francisco has to offer and ensuring that we continue to be a destination for those seeking to build a better city and society.

Thank you,
Courtney Cherry
1051 Alabama Street San Francisco CA 94110

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Courtney Cherry Ellis
703.851.2393

From: [Brian Kwok](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a long-time resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** I'm concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around [1776 Green Street](#), but also throughout the City and County of San Francisco. I am not opposed to the development project but urge that the city comply with CEQA to protect our residents.

Thank you,

Brian Kwok
718 Long Bridge St #803, San Francisco, CA 94158

From: [Gary Edward Blum](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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RE: [1776 Green Street, File No. 200908](#) - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at [1776 Green Street](#). The developer proposes to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with a number of toxic materials including benzene, a known carcinogen, at levels over 900 times above state residential standards and 200 times above state commercial standards. CEQA review is required to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents of the Project.

I live on the same block as [1776 Green Street](#) and am very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. [1776 Green Street](#) is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

I'm also concerned that according to a recent San Francisco Chronicle article, the City appears to have exempted many other projects on heavily contaminated sites from CEQA review. CEQA requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as [1776 Green Street](#). The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents throughout San Francisco. I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Sincerely,

Gary Blum
1767 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: sue.mcdonald
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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I'm a long time resident of San Francisco and live across the street from 1776 Green Street. I'm very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. 1776 Green Street is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

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Sincerely,

Susan McDonald
1761 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

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From: [Paul Guermopez](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA
Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a long-time resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around 1776 Green Street but also throughout San Francisco.

Just a few weeks ago some digging work was done that led to very strong petrol fumes, it's bad for the non-protected workers but also for the people living around.

Thank you,

From: [Minna Suh](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 12, 2020 9:50:13 PM

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Thank you,

Minna Suh
2634 Octavia St, Apt 1
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Avril Swan](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a longtime resident of San Francisco and lead a family medical practice in Noe Valley. I grew up and went to public school in SF and completed my medical training at UCSF where I currently teach family medicine to medical students.

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. The developer proposes to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with a number of toxic materials including benzene, a known carcinogen, at levels over 900 times above state residential standards and 200 times above state commercial standards. CEQA review is required to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents of the Project. Avoiding a thorough environmental review and clean-up could result in tragic health consequences.

In addition to being a physician that is committed to promoting the health and wellbeing of my patients, I'm also the mother of three SFUSD students and graduates. I'm very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. 1776 Green Street is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants, children and the elderly. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an

exemption from CEQA.

I'm also concerned that according to a recent San Francisco Chronicle article, the City appears to have exempted many other projects on heavily contaminated sites from CEQA review. CEQA unambiguously requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents throughout San Francisco. I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Sincerely,

Avril Swan, MD
WholeFamilyMD

1286 Sanchez Street Suite A (at 26th Street)
San Francisco, CA 94114

From: [Maggie C.](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: cegagreen@gmail.com
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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I live around the corner from 1776 Green Street and am very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. 1776 Green Street is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

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Sincerely,

Maggie Chang
2634 Octavia Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Benjamin Ellis](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA
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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm a long-time resident of San Francisco and am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.**

I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. This potentially has an adverse impact on equity across all San Franciscans.

The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around 1776 Green Street, but also throughout San Francisco more broadly.

Thank you,

Ben Ellis
1775 Green St
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: sdmanson@gmail.com
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street - Appeal of CEQA - File No. 200908
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I'm the father to three young children and live one building away from 1776 Green Street. I'm very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. 1776 Green Street is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

I'm also concerned that according to a recent San Francisco Chronicle article, the City appears to have exempted many other projects on heavily contaminated sites from CEQA review. CEQA requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents throughout San Francisco. I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Sincerely,

Salem Mansoir
2724 Octavia Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Michael Ellis](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Thank you,

Michael Ellis
620 Spruce St, San Francisco, CA 94118

From: [Lipman, Nicole](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support of Appeal
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Thank you,

Nicole Lipman
620 Spruce Street
San Francisco, CA 94118

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From: [Janet Bailey](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of APPEAL of CEQA Determination of Exemption
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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a San Francisco resident for over 25 years, I am writing to **support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street**. The site is highly contaminated with unsafe levels of benzene and other carcinogens, and I am deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review.

I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but development should not come at the cost of our community's health. **The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community** not just around 1776 Green Street, but also throughout San Francisco.

Thank you,

Janet Bailey
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**RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of APPEAL of CEQA
Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review**

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a San Francisco resident for over 25 years, I am writing to **support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street**. The site is highly contaminated with unsafe levels of benzene and other carcinogens, and I am deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review.

I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but development should not come at the cost of our community's health. **The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community** not just around 1776 Green Street, but also throughout San Francisco.

Thank you,

Janet Bailey
2634 Octavia St., #4
San Francisco, CA 94123
janet@janetbailey.com

From: [Julie Huh](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: ceqagreen@gmail.com
Subject: Support of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 9:07:21 PM

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Thank you,

Julie Huh
775 24th Ave
San Francisco 94121

From: [Frank Moslander](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Environmental Review 1776 Green St
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CEQA section 21084c requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. I urge the City to comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents near this project.

Thank you,

Frank Moslander
1890 Vallejo St.

From: [Nick Wolf](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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Sincerely,

Nick Wolf, *he/him*
Senior Philanthropy Officer, Earthjustice

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From: [Isabella Valentini](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Thank you for soliciting letters from the neighbors of 1776 Green Street. It is of critical importance that the project protects the health and safety of the Green Street community and surrounding neighbors. We are a family-centric neighborhood with children, elderly, and a buzzing commerce scene of restaurants, shops, schools, and libraries.

I want to underscore that I am pro-development in San Francisco and pro-development in Cow Hollow. But given the nature of this site and the widely documented toxicity of the land on which it stands, I implore you to do this safely and lawfully.

As such, **I am writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** The developer proposes to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with a number of toxic materials including benzene, a known carcinogen, at levels over 900 times above state residential standards and 200 times above state commercial standards. CEQA review is **required** to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents of the Project.

I live directly next door to the site in a multi-unit rental building. As we are all working remotely during COVID, my bedroom and office windows are situated immediately above the site, as is the case for many of my neighbors within 1770 Green Street. There are many of us who are contemplating our ongoing tenancy if this project continues without proper standards upheld.

I'm very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review of 1776 Green Street, especially since the site is located adjacent to almost 70 housing

units. The Project site is also within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, my building and the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

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Development is critical in this city, but so is the safety and health of those who neighbor development. This is the time to do the right thing, and we'll be watching, closely, how the Board of Supervisors respond.

Sincere regards,

Isabella Valentini
1770 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Ruth Reisner](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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Sincerely,

Ruth Reisner

From: [Melissa Koenigsberg](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a mother of three young children, and I have lived in San Francisco for seven and I am writing **to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street.** I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community not just around 1776 Green Street but also throughout San Francisco.

Thank you,

Melissa Koenigsberg
148 3rd Ave, San Francisco, CA 94118

From: [Karaline Nolen](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal
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Francisco, but only when done properly and safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Sincerely,

Karaline Nolen LeRoy
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[San Francisco, CA 94123](#)

From: [Jack Le Roy](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,

John Le Roy
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[San Francisco, CA 94123](#)

From: [Maureen](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: ceqagreen@gmail.com
Subject: Toxins at 1776 Green Street
Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 2:18:23 PM
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Maureen Holt
1793 Green St
SF, CA 94123

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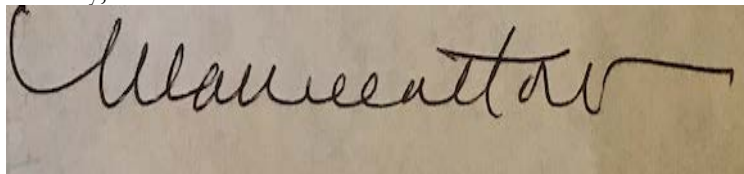
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature is cursive and reads "Maureen Holt".

Maureen Holt
1793 Green Street

From: [Mary Moslander](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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[1890 Vallejo St.](#)

From: lats.latvis
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TJ Lats Latvis
2552-A Gough Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

415-377-3575

There is nothing that costs so little nor goes so far, as courtesy.

From: [Kyoko Watanabe](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
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c/o Angela Cavillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. The developer proposes to construct five luxury condos on a heavily contaminated site, which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with a number of toxic materials including benzene, a known carcinogen, at levels over 900 times above state residential standards and 200 times above state commercial standards. CEQA review is required to ensure that this contamination is adequately cleaned-up in a manner that safeguards nearby residents, community members, construction workers, and future residents of the Project.

I'm a parent with school-aged children and live down the block from 1776 Green Street. I'm very concerned that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review for this Project. 1776 Green Street is located adjacent to almost 70 housing units and is within a one-block radius of three important public resources that are sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch, which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. Furthermore, the Project site backs onto a busy commercial corridor on Union Street which includes doctors' offices, restaurants and small businesses. Given the nature of the area surrounding the Project, there should be heightened environmental review rather than an exemption from CEQA.

I'm also concerned that according to a recent San Francisco Chronicle article, the City appears to have exempted many other projects on heavily contaminated sites from CEQA review. CEQA requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents throughout San Francisco. I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Sincerely,

Kyoko Watanabe
1717 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 9:14:47 AM

From: Mike Hsieh <hsiehdog@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 8:42 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Furthermore, 1776 Green Street is located within a one-block radius of three sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyn Park, and Golden Gate Valley Library, which offers highly popular programming for children and seniors. Children and the elderly have a higher risk of negative health outcomes due to exposure to toxic materials. As a result, there should be heightened environmental review of this project rather than an exemption.

I'm also concerned that according to a recent San Francisco Chronicle article, the City appears to have exempted many other projects on contaminated sites from CEQA review. CEQA section 21084c requires public environmental review before projects are approved on heavily contaminated sites such as 1776 Green Street. The City must comply with this state law to protect the health and safety of its residents both near this project and throughout San Francisco.

Thank you,

Mike Hsieh
2808 Laguna Street, SF, CA 94123

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908
Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020 9:14:18 AM

From: Demi Seguritan <demihuynh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 11:33 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908

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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community around 1776 Green Street and throughout San Francisco.

1776 Green Street is highly contaminated with carcinogens including benzene, which is known to cause leukemia. The proposed project is within a one-block radius of three important public resources--an elementary school, a park, and a popular library--that serve a diverse community from infants to seniors. Given this, there should be a heightened environmental review rather than an exemption. In light of all of the environmental and health challenges San Francisco is currently facing, from the wildfires to COVID-19, it seems that the Board of Supervisors should do everything within its power to support our health and wellbeing, and that includes heightened environmental review of projects on sites contaminated with toxic materials.

I support the creation of new housing in San Francisco, but only when done properly and done safely, and certainly not at the expense of public health.

Thank you,

Demi Seguritan

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From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support of appeal re: 1776 Green St, File 200908
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:57:48 AM

From: Martha Nicholson <marthaknicholson@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 7:28 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Support of appeal re: 1776 Green St, File 200908

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RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 – SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a longtime resident of San Francisco, a board certified pediatrician trained at UCSF and UC Davis, and currently in practice at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford University.

I'm writing to support the appeal of a CEQA exemption for the proposed project at 1776 Green Street. I'm deeply concerned by the fact that the City of San Francisco has exempted many projects on highly contaminated sites from CEQA review. The City must comply with CEQA to ensure the health and safety of the community around 1776 Green Street and throughout San Francisco.

As a pediatrician and a mother of two school-aged children, I think it's unacceptable that the City is attempting to avoid public environmental review of 1776 Green Street, especially since the site is highly contaminated with carcinogens including benzene, which is known to cause leukemia. The proposed project is within a one-block radius of three sensitive receptor locations: Sherman Elementary School (a public school with over 375 students), Allyne Park, and the Golden Gate Valley Library branch which provides highly popular programming to infants and children. As a result, there should be *heightened* environmental review of this project rather than an exemption from CEQA review. In light of all of the environmental and health challenges San Francisco is currently facing, from the wildfires to COVID-19, it seems that the Board of Supervisors should do everything within its power to support our health and wellbeing, and that includes heightened environmental review of projects on sites contaminated with toxic materials.

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Sincerely,

Martha Nicholson, MD
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San Francisco, CA
94131

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To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review (File No. 200908)
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:41:25 AM

From: Fred Seguritan <fredseguritan@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 4:00 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: SUPPORT of Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Thank you,

Fred Seguritan

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Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review
Date: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:39:47 AM

From: Anthony M. Garcia <anthony.garcia@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: 1776 Green Street, File No. 200908 - SUPPORT of Appeal of CEQA Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review

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Thank you,

Anthony Garcia
765E Portola Street
San Francisco, CA 94129

From: [Bradley Angel](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Richard Drury](#)
Subject: Greenaction for Health & Environmental Justice support of appeal of categorical exemption for 1776 Green Street Project
Date: Monday, September 28, 2020 3:12:48 PM
Attachments: [September 28, 2020 Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice letter about 1776 Green Street project.pdf](#)

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To the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

Please see the attached comment letter from Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice on behalf of our members and constituents across the City, in support of the appeal of the categorical exemption given to the 1776 Green Street project.

Thank you,

Bradley Angel, Executive Director



September 28, 2020

Mr. Norman Yee, President
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Subject: SUPPORT -- Appeal of categorical exemption for 1776 Green Street project.
(2018-011430CUA; 2018-011430VAR; 2018-011430ENV)

Dear Board of Supervisors President Norman Yee,

Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice supports the appeal of the categorical exemption that was given to the proposed project at 1776 Green Street, San Francisco.

The awarding of a categorical exemption to this project is just the latest example of an ongoing, well-documented and unacceptable trend by the City and County of San Francisco government to support developers by ignoring or minimizing the right of environmental review for the public in dealing with potentially polluted building sites.

According to recent *SF Chronicle* articles,¹ the City appears to have exempted at least a dozen projects on the Cortese list (a state list of contaminated sites) from CEQA review, despite that fact that CEQA requires public environmental review before projects are approved on such sites.

At 1776 Green Street, the developer proposes to construct housing on a heavily contaminated site which was used as an automobile repair shop for over 100 years. The site is contaminated with benzene and other pollutants at levels 900 times above residential standards. While we acknowledge the need for new housing, we are also concerned about the long-term health of residents who will be residing in this development. No one, rich or poor, should live on top of contamination.

According to a very recent article in the *SF Chronicle*, City staff apparently endorsed and promoted inadequate and misleading survey methods for finding potential radiation at two other locations, Treasure Island and Hunters Point Shipyard, all while being aware the scanning technology would likely never detect radiation known to be present at both the Shipyard

¹ "How SF sidestepped state law on developing toxic sites," Dizikes, Cynthia, *SF chronicle*, June 7, 2020, Updated August 12, 2020. <https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Exclusive-How-SF-sidestepped-state-law-on-15322356.php>

Superfund Site and Treasure Island. ²

At India Basin in Bayview Hunters Point, the Planning Department and Board of Supervisors approved the India Basin Mixed Use Development Project, an upscale housing/mixed use project, even though the City's own Environmental Impact Report found that the project would cause significant, harmful, unavoidable, ongoing air pollution in Bayview Hunters Point – a community confirmed to be one of the areas in the entire state most vulnerable and at risk to pollution.

The actions mentioned above are completely unacceptable, and are a direct and very real threat to the health of San Francisco residents.

Fifty years ago, California adopted the California Environmental Quality Act as a vital tool in reducing damage to the environment, reducing transportation congestion, and safeguarding historic landmarks. CEQA requires our public agencies to confront potentially damaging environmental issues and search for alternatives or mitigations to limit the damage. It brings these issues to light so that the people can then hold their representative's responsible for making decisions that could harm the community or the environment.

Nothing is more precious than health. The City must comply with the state law to safeguard the health and safety of its residents both at this project and everywhere in the City.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Bradley Angel

Executive Director

² "S.F. touted radiation scans with little value," Fagone, Jason and Dizikes, Cynthia, SF Chronicle, August 30, 2020, page 1. https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Extremely-Unlikely-That-They-Will-Find-15519861.php?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=briefing&utm_campaign=sfc_baybriefing_am&sid=5452d66e3b35d010308e5c76