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Hello,

This year I enter my sixth year of leasing in Davis. It is hard to hold out hope for a brighter future of housing in our community when the housing market is so unaffordable, overcrowded, and as a result often predatory for our most vulnerable community members. I support the reforms to the Housing Element put forth by Sustainable Growth Yolo to set the groundwork for meaningful improvements in housing development in Davis over the next eight years. Failure to adopt these reforms will stifle the growth that is so desperately needed in our community to reverse the class segregation that is happening before our eyes. I urge council to reject the Housing Element until the following reforms are included, as described in detail by the open letter by Sustainable Growth Yolo:

- Eliminate Parking Minimums
- Fully Fund Housing Trust Fund
- Rezoning All Strip Malls to Mixed Use
- By-Right Approval Process
- Include Underutilized City-Owned Locations in Site Inventory
- Legalize Small Increase in Density in Residential Areas

Thank you,
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