


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To whom it concerns,

I support the rancho San Rafael master plan, as developed. I live a quarter mile from the park and think there is currently far too much valuable park space dedicated to parking. This space could be better used in other ways. While the Great Reno Balloon Race is a great event, we shouldn't design the park purely for an event that runs for three days per year. Moreover, sufficient parking exists nearby (for instance, on UNR campus) to accommodate the balloon races, and shuttles could be used, if necessary, to accommodate further-away parking lots (downtown parking garages, for example).

Best,
Robert Auers
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If I have addressed this to the wrong person, would you please be so kind as to forward my message to the correct person?

My name is Kathleen Bodine. We own the property located at 1875 Ives Ave, thus bordering on San Rafael Park. We bought the property in 2019 and the proximity of the park and the balloon races influenced us heavily in our decision to buy. I find the Balloon Races one of the most beautiful, sensible, healthy, community-oriented events I have ever seen anywhere. I would be horribly sad to see them end or to know that they were struggling more than need be. Please support them in continuing their good work. We in the neighborhood are stakeholders too. These days our kids need events that indicate hope, fun, adult intelligence. They have seen too much of the Covid years. Now is not the time to remove good things from their lives. The same message of hope, fun, community, beauty goes out to all of us. Please don't damage the balloon races. Thanks, Kathleen and Thomas Bodine