

Friends of Mill Valley * Newsletter

Contact: Susan Kirsch (415) 383-3999 ext #2

May 23, 2007 Volume 2, Issue 1

Town Hall Meeting
Thursday June 7th
7:00 PM

Little School Meeting
Room - 285 Miller Ave.

Discussion Topic -
Growth & Community
Values

Friends of Mill
Valley
Let's Get It Right!

STEERING COMMITTEE

Susan Kirsch
David LaDuke
Burton Miller
Cindy Miracle
Caroline Robinson
Bob Silvestri
Liz Specht
Kerry Stoebner
Mitch Wortzman

FRIENDS

Jessica Adams
Roger & Deborah Alstad
Jackie Bacon
Lynn Berger
John & Natasha Boas
Sean Cain
Dart & Ester Cherk
Jean Coleman
Susan Conklin
Laurie & Ralph Eddy
Margery Entwisle
Greg Faillace
Lori Luc Faillace
Joseph & Sylvia Gang
Madeleine Gish
Sandy Kirby Glading
Tom Gooden
George Gordon
Trish Intemann
Christopher W. Katzenbach
Iwonka Kelly
Michael Kirsch
Robert Kosturak
Andrew Kovacz
Ralph & Joan Livingston
Mike Manley
Tom McEachern
Melinda Miller
Kathleen Morrison
Diane Paul

Continued...

A Call To Action – What every resident should know about proposed growth and development in Mill Valley

The City of Mill Valley is on the verge of adopting far reaching policy changes effecting land use and residential property. These changes will impact everyone and result in increased traffic, increased development, and sharply increased homeowner fees.

The City Council has directed the City Planning Department to proceed

without sufficient public input. Broad-based public participation is needed immediately.

Friends of Mill Valley was formed to add the public's voice to the City's decision making process. We're gratified by the growing support of our goals for greater community participation in the planning of our City's future.

We thank those who are joining with us, each day, to offer their time and energy to help us all find successful solutions to the challenges we face.

Make Your Voice Heard!



FMV Update – Notes from last month's town hall meeting

Last month's Friends of Mill Valley public forum was a solid success. A capacity crowd filled the meeting room at the SASM building and voiced their concerns about the future of Mill Valley.

Many participants stayed long after the event adjourned to discuss the issues and talk about how they can become more involved. News coverage in the **Mill Valley Herald (May 8th - see our web site)** captured the mood of the evening.

Those in attendance felt that the City was not open to diverse points of view on important City planning issues. And, they asked, **"Do the City's growth plans accurately reflect the values of the community?"**

At the meeting FMV presented its **"Framework For Success"**, which was endorsed by everyone in attendance. A detailed description can be found on page 2.

The scope of issues that Friends of Mill Valley is

working to address grows with the addition of each new member and each new idea. Our goal is to accurately advance the values of the community and work to add their voice to the City's growth and planning process.

We invite you to join Friends of Mill Valley and become a part of the solution.

Visit our web site for more details.

www.friendsofmillvalley.org

More Friends

Yvonne Rojas
Barbara Rolph
Steve & Daisy Romjue
Neil Shah
Robert & Lee Skutch
Ann Spake
Laura Svienty
Judy Their
James Thomas
Cullyn Vaeth
Julia Wald
Sonia & Dennis Williams
Liz Williamson

(partial list)

Friends of Mill Valley works to add the voice of the community to the City's decision-making process about growth, planning and issues of significant public interest, and to promote greater citizen participation in shaping successful solutions.

Friends of Mill Valley

Contact Phone Number

Susan Kirsch
(415) 383-3999 #2

Contact E-mail

Info@friendsofmillvalley.org

Web Site

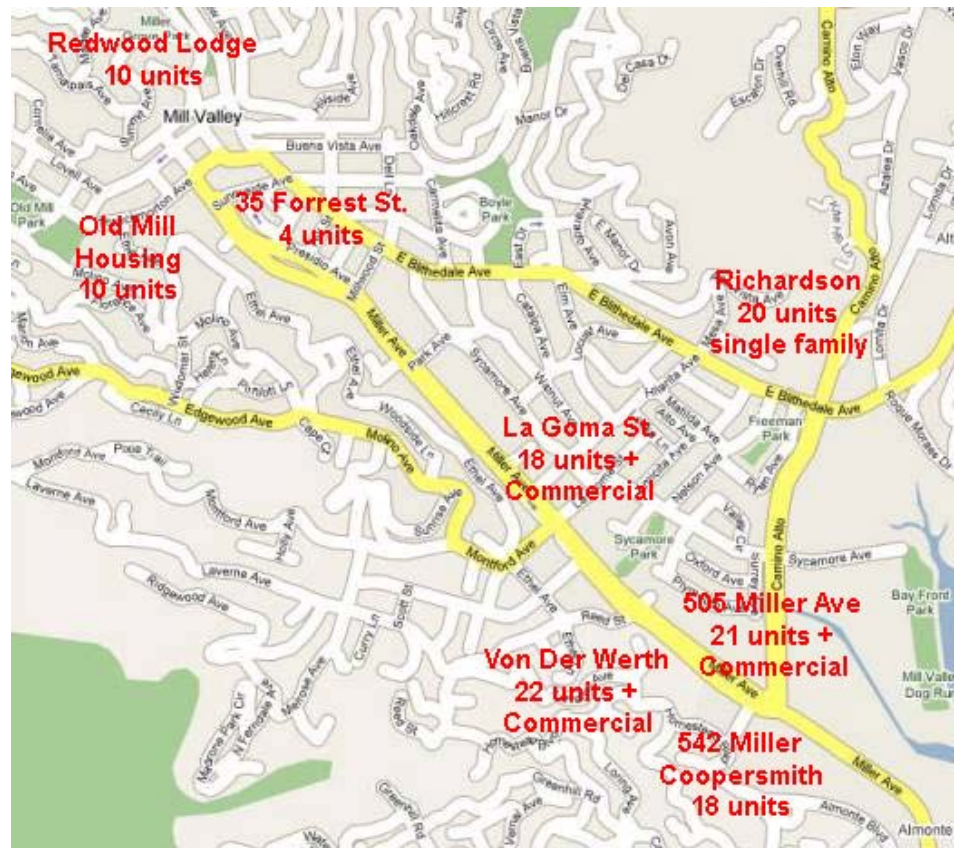
www.friendsofmillvalley.org

FRIENDS OF MILL VALLEY

"Let's Get It Right!"

Next Meeting
July 10th at 7 PM
Location to be announced

Project Proposals in Mill Valley – 123 Units + Commercial



FMV's Framework For Success

The **Framework for Success** is an inclusive means of organizing complex growth and planning issues, and their impacts on our town. The Framework strives to facilitate informed decision-making that is responsive to community values.

The elements of the Framework - **Values, Planning, Impacts, Process and Solutions** - are interdependent. Too often these elements are

considered in a vacuum.

We believe that community "Values" must be respected; "Planning" initiatives must clearly address specific community goals and objectives; "Impacts" must be carefully considered; the "Process" must be inclusive and avenues for input open and information-based; and that "Solutions" must be shaped by consensus not political will.

The Framework identifies and seeks to fully understand the issues before crafting solutions. It will grow in scope with the addition of each new idea to accurately reflect the opinions of residents.

During the upcoming Town Hall Meetings and through opinion polls on our web site, **Friends of Mill Valley invites everyone to add their comments and ideas.**

Make Your Voice Heard!