

Mary R. Martin
Canyon Country, CA 91387
leaoricker@gmail.com
Cell # 661-670-9939
Land Line # 661-347-9862

March 5, 2021

City of Santa Clarita
Planning Commission

RE: Sand Canyon Resort
Master Case 18-021

Dear Santa Clarita Planning Commissioners,

On or about September 12, 2019, Mr. Steve Kim, hosted an open house at the Sand Canyon Country Club, starting at 6:00PM. The purpose was an informational event about his vision for the future development of the Sand Canyon Resort and Spa. He provided an open bar and served gourmet hors d'oeuvres prior to the presentation. I understood from a fellow attendee that Mr. Kim ended the open bar at about 7:00PM so that he could proceed with his presentation.

I arrived at about 6:50PM and the banquet room was filled to capacity with standing room only. Mr. Kim welcomed the group and before the presentation he opened the floor for comments. The mood of the room was quite interesting, to say the least. There was definitely a vocal outburst filled with anger and verbal attack slanted against Mr. Kim and the vision he has for the Country Club. Not one person pre-empted their attack by thanking Mr. Kim for his graciousness of hosting the event and providing an unlimited supply of wine, liquor and food for all to enjoy. One of the commentators asked for a show of hands of all who were in favor of the development. There were about three or four people who were brave enough to raise their hands-I chose to stand in support of Mr. Kim and his vision. Realizing that I was in a room filled with protestors I sat down and decided, for my own safety, not to speak. I ultimately left the meeting as the verbal attacks and rudeness was more than I cared to witness. These were adults who opted to take their anger out on Mr. Kim. It was so uncalled for.

Had Mr. Kim not purchased the property, the Golf Course would have further deteriorated to the point where it would have become an attractive nuisance for off road vehicles etc., and an eye soar for the Robinson Ranch Gated Community.

My late husband, a World War II Veteran told me always to practice the three P's of the Orient-"Patience, Politeness and Perseverance." Had I known of the tone of the crowd on September 12, 2019 I would have brought a sign with the 3 P's of the Orient printed on it and held it up for all to see.

We are definitely in full support of Mr. Kim's vision. We have been looking forward to the Spa and Restaurant(s) for over three years now. To date, there is no evidence of any progress-just more down-sizing of the proposed development and additional costs to Mr. Kim for amended architectural drawings etc., in an effort to appease the protestors, I imagine.

I did register to speak at the meeting on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, but my name was never called to speak. I was quite disappointed.

The Sand Canyon Resort will be a definite boost to Canyon Country. It's a perfect setting for a weekend conference, large enough for local fund raising events for non-profit organizations etc. and a destination place for families and individuals to just get away and enjoy the peaceful surroundings.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Mary R. Martin

/mrm