

Dear Supervisor Rice and Project Planner Drake,

I'm very sorry to have missed last night's meeting; I'm certain there was a very active discussion and want to make sure I add my voice.

As a long-time (24-year) homeowner in the the Flats of Greenbrae, I have followed closely the activities and desires of Marin Catholic to enhance their Football field with lights and hence, hold late afternoon, early evening and night-time games and practices on their field. Marin Catholic is both a great neighbor and educator but their request for their field to be lighted is way beyond that of a good neighbor and certainly a request that has enraged many in our community, myself and husband included. MC is a private school that pays zero taxes (zero!) and is accountable not to our Greenbrae community but only to the County. Let us be honest, they run a business and this project was a business decision that MC made to increase their brand, make it easier to recruit students and to increase their bottom line, all at our expense. I cannot imagine a business in our community that would be allowed to have events at night until 9PM (let's be honest, they'll tail off till 9:30-10:00 five nights a week for four-five months creating traffic, noise and likely other environmental problems.

MC positions the project as a way to provide safe and drug-free Friday night Football events but let's be honest, kids will still drink and do drugs regardless of how this is presented and in fact, these gatherings will present "opportunities" for just that. The fact is that MC students come from all over our County and the percentage from Greenbrae is quite small; thus again, we're talking about traffic and noise brought in from **outside** our community. I do not live on the hill but walk there often in the am and evening with my dog and EASILY hear the voices & activity coming from the field and am stunned at how our neighbors will be directly impacted from both the noise and light.

Bottom line, we in the Flats will have the disruption of the traffic & added activity, our environment will be further tested and the Hills will have the most direct negative impact with traffic, significant noise & light. Imagine that neither of you live in the affected area and thus don't have to worry about the impact and/or potential loss of home value (something I believe that will occur to those in the Hills).

I know you are considering this proposition long & hard and my simple hope for all our sakes is that your decision is best for the **residents** of Greenbrae and not for the private school that pays zero taxes and is flexing a big muscle.

Very best,  
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