Renata Harbison Comments City Council Meeting July 14, 2015

My name is Renata Harbison and I live at 916 Via Panorama. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to address the Council.

John and I attended the hearing on May 29th Citizens for Enforcement of Parkland Covenants (CEPC) vs The City of PVE, The Homes Association, and the Luglianis, and we kept wondering why the judge didn't submit what we anticipated would be a short 5 (at the most) page ruling. When the ruling was finally submitted on June 29th, we realized why. The judge took the time to write 30 pages plus -- carefully worded -- to support our contention that the deeds did not allow the sale of parkland in 2012 to a private party.

Now two superior court judges have affirmed the validity of the deed restrictions – Is that not a positive outcome for the residents of PVE who have believed that our parklands would benefit our community "forever" and that parkland couldn't be sold?

It continues to boggle my mind that the City and the Homes Association sold parkland in order to protect it. How does that make any sense, and does it not jeopardize the City's ability to stand behind the Housing Element in which the City stipulates that Parkland cannot be sold to a developer for multi-family housing because of deed restrictions. I believe, by selling parkland, the City placed parkland in play.

Please – stand behind the deeds and accept the ruling as one that strengthens the parkland deeds in perpetuity. Our Parkland is Not for Sale!