

Dear Members of the CT Planning & Development Committee,

## **Vote NO to SB1068 State-Mandated Zoning**

**And NO to HB 6107, HB 6611, HB 6612, HB 6613, SB 1024, SB 1026, SB 1027**

Vote YES to Maintaining Local Control & Municipal Home Rule, Protecting the Environment & Open Space and Stopping Overdevelopment

We are asking you to vote no on SB1068 and all its sister bills listed above. This bill represents a total violation of our constitutional rights to life, liberty and property. As “public servants” you all took an oath to honor our constitution. Under the Fifth Amendment, “no person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property.”

When the government continues to hike property taxes, more residents unjustly lose their homes due to an inability to pay the exorbitant property taxes. Even more residents fall into poverty due to these burgeoning financial demands. Our property taxes are already several times higher than the national average. According to the UC Census Bureau the average American household annually pays \$2,471 on property taxes for their homes with residents of 33 states paying no taxes on vehicles. My family pays \$10,000 a year for both property and vehicle taxes...for a modest 2000 square foot home! Despite our being a two-income senior family, we can endure no more property hikes. And why should we if communities in other states can flourish with far less taxes imposed on their residents?

We voters understand the true motivation behind this bill. For decades now the government has exploited the idea of “affordable housing” to usurp both the rights and wealth of the people. If our elected officials really cared about the welfare of the people, our utility and gas rates would not be so astronomically high.

All the government’s alleged efforts to help the poor have done nothing to solve the problem of poverty that has continued to worsen. Instead these programs have only served as an expansion of government bureaucracies. Given the wealth of tax dollars flowing into these agencies, there is no motivation whatsoever for the “public servants” to actually solve the problem, thereby ending their lucrative employment.

The middle class in CT is struggling and fleeing the state along with the tax base. Your policies purportedly aimed at helping the poor are merely a Trojan horse for more government control and more government abuse of the middle class.

It is time to end this war on the middle class and make it possible for us to stay in our beautiful state throughout retirement years.

Sincerely,  
Carl Waldo  
Trumbull, CT

**\*Vote NO to SB6442: No 5G to destroy our safety of Health and Property with microwave radiation deployed on our streets.**