

## **Reno City Council did the right thing with Verdi land proposal**



With broad support in our community, the Reno City Council has denied an appeal by Reno Land Inc. to develop along the south side of I-80 in Verdi.

The proposed Meridian 120 South development was simply a bad urban-sprawl project and was deservedly rejected by the council. Of note, the vote came despite the fact that over a four-month period spanning the initial phases of project planning, Reno Land Inc. and its subsidiaries made campaign contributions to members of the City Council. We can never know the true political intent of the contributions, but thanks to the strong leadership of the council, a message has been sent that — while wide-open for business that is good for Reno — our city is not for sale.

Given the cynical money-driven political landscape of our day, the council's action in this matter is inspirational. I encourage my neighbors to remember this come Election Day.

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