

**Fw: Community members should govern the Google community fund**

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Fri 2/26/2021 8:36 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**From:** Jeff Barrera <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 7:28 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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Gregory, Barbara <Barbara.Gregory@sanjoseca.gov>

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Thank You,

*Barb Gregory*



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Best Regards,  
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-----Original Message-----

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**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

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**From:** Victoria Parda [REDACTED]**Sent:** Tuesday, March 2, 2021 7:06 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Maya Esparza, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Welsh,

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**From:** Chrise Schauer [REDACTED]

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

As a resident of District 5, I urge you to empower community members to decide how we spend community benefit funds from the San José Google project.

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**From:** Alexandra Hall [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 3, 2021 10:56 AM

**To:** District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>

**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Walesh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Sergio Jimenez, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

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**From:** Hannah Sco [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 3, 2021 10:45 AM

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Dear Mayor Liccardo, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Welsh,

The community of San Jose and myself are worried that allowing Google into our neighborhood will have a San Francisco effect on our city. The increased cost of living there has made it impossible for people to live there without making tech worker salaries. Our community has made clear that the Google project cannot destabilize our communities: it must include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive. Communities don't exist without essential workers. We can't push them into poverty.

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**From:** Salvador Bustamante [REDACTED]**Sent:** Wednesday, March 3, 2021 3:49 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Dev Davis, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Welsh,

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Fri 3/5/2021 6:57 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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*Barb Gregory*



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**Sent:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 7:05 PM

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**From:** Charlo e Quinn [REDACTED] >**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 9:47 AM**To:** District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members must govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Farkhanda Omar [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 8:44 AM

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Sincerely,

Calvin Cornwell

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**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 2:41 PM

**To:** District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>

**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Walesh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

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I have lived in Santa Clara County for almost a decade now, and believe strongly in the value of community democratic governance—I hope you do too.

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**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 11:04 PM  
**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>  
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**From:** Claudia Sandoval Orz <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, March 8, 2021 12:03 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 9, 2021 10:26 PM

**To:** District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>

**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Walesh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

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**Sent:** Monday, March 8, 2021 10:41 AM

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**From:** Oscar Jae Balgos [REDACTED]**Sent:** Monday, March 8, 2021 10:02 AM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Rafael Marne z [REDACTED]**Sent:** Wednesday, March 10, 2021 10:09 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Elijah Dominno [REDACTED] >**Sent:** Thursday, March 11, 2021 4:13 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Karen Morales [REDACTED]**Sent:** Thursday, March 11, 2021 10:30 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Gerardo Loera [REDACTED]**Sent:** Thursday, March 11, 2021 9:24 PM**To:** District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Walesh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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**From:** Kathryn Hedges [REDACTED] >**Sent:** Thursday, March 11, 2021 7:56 PM**To:** District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Walesh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Raul Peralez, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

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Gregory, Barbara &lt;Barbara.Gregory@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Fri 3/12/2021 5:01 PM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Thank You,

*Barb Gregory***Analyst II****Office of the City Clerk****200 E Santa Clara St FL T-14****San Jose, C-A 95112****408-535-1272 Fax: 408-292-6207****e-mail: [barbara.gregory@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:barbara.gregory@sanjoseca.gov)****[How is our service? Please take our short survey.](#)**

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Mon 3/15/2021 10:26 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:08 AM

**To:** District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>

**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walesh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

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One concern I have is that this new development should use principles of Universal Design, not merely check the boxes for ADA requirements. For example, Deaf people need wider walkways and hallways so they can walk side by side talking in ASL. Seating area design needs modification for people whose social conversation is in ASL. People with sensory processing differences (autistic, TBI survivors, etc.) need to have acoustically friendly environments and can be overwhelmed by some decorative patterns. There are architectural firms that specialize in Universal Design throughout the design process instead of having Disabled reviewers trying to catch problems with finalized designs and trying to get some kind of compromise.

For example, The Kelsey at Ayer Station is being designed with these principles because Disabled people are their target audience. But Disabled people should be able to live anywhere in the community--not just some special segregated complex that is too small to meet demand. People also have Disabled children, age into disability or acquire disabilities through accidents or illness. So someone living in the community should not have to move out of their home just because their new child has a disability, they get frail with age, or they have a stroke or accident. This is why all housing needs to be as widely accessible as possible.

I live in an affordable housing complex that technically meets ADA requirements, but as an Autistic person I find many areas of the building inaccessible and the level of noise in my apartment from the hallway is unacceptable. The common areas have hard finishes that are not designed to absorb sound, so there are harsh echoes in the lobby and community room. Sound travels and echoes in the hallway so loudly that I can't tell if people are fighting just out of sight from my peephole or halfway around the building down another corridor. If one person slams their door, mine rattles as though someone were trying to enter my apartment. Yet none of this violates ADA so the designers just used the materials they thought would be cheapest and most durable.

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Because the City of San Jose has not had an Office of Disability Affairs in many years, there is no oversight for projects or groups lacking Disabled input. This needs to stop now.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges

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**From:** Kathryn Hedges <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Friday, March 19, 2021 4:53 PM**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

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Our community has made clear that the Google project cannot destabilize our communities: it must include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive. People with disabilities must also be represented; the incidence of disabling conditions is far higher in BIPOC communities so intersectionality is quite relevant.

One concern I have is that this new development should use principles of Universal Design, not merely check the boxes for ADA requirements. For example, Deaf people need wider walkways and hallways so they can walk side by side talking in ASL. Seating area design needs modification for people whose social conversation is in ASL. People with sensory processing differences (autistic, TBI survivors, etc.) need to have acoustically friendly environments and can be overwhelmed by some decorative patterns. There are architectural firms that specialize in Universal Design throughout the design process instead of having Disabled reviewers trying to catch problems with finalized designs and trying to get some kind of compromise.

For example, The Kelsey at Ayer Station is being designed with these principles because Disabled people are their target audience. But Disabled people should be able to live anywhere in the community--not just some special segregated complex that is too small to meet demand. People also have Disabled children, age into disability or acquire disabilities through accidents or illness. So someone living in the community should not have to move out of their home just because their new child has a disability, they get frail with age, or they have a stroke or accident. This is why all housing needs to be as widely accessible as possible.

I live in an affordable housing complex that technically meets ADA requirements, but as an Autistic person I find many areas of the building inaccessible and the level of noise in my apartment from the hallway is unacceptable. The common areas have hard finishes that are not designed to absorb sound, so there are harsh echoes in the lobby and community room. Sound travels and echoes in the hallway so loudly that I can't tell if people are fighting just out of sight from my peephole or halfway around the building down another corridor. If one person slams their door, mine rattles as though someone were trying to enter my apartment. Yet none of this violates ADA so the designers just used the materials they thought would be cheapest and most durable.

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Because the City of San Jose has not had an Office of Disability Affairs in many years, there is no oversight for projects or groups lacking Disabled input. This needs to stop now.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges

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**Sent:** Friday, March 26, 2021 4:27 PM

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**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>

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Sincerely,

Bette Gambonini

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**Fw: SAP Center, SSE & Downtown West project**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Tue 4/27/2021 8:06 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Laurel W <laurel.warken [REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 11:12 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

&lt;[REDACTED]&gt; District3 &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

**Subject:** SAP Center, SSE & Downtown West project

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Liccardo, District 3 Councilmember Raul Peralez & the San Jose City Clerk,

The Sharks Sports & Entertainment organization (SSE), informed Sharks fans this week that their requested modifications to the Downtown West (Google) project have not been incorporated into current project plans. SSE has been working together with the City over the past few years to find common ground on the project, in order to account for construction and provide adequate access and parking for Sharks fans.

Google's environmental report on the potential impact of the Downtown West project acknowledges that it could increase daily automobile trips to and from the Diridon area by at least seven times (from 19,200 to 136,600 daily trips). Yet, the proposed project would significantly reduce the capacity of the street network, leading to gridlock. The cumulative effect of multiple large construction projects (including Google, BART, Caltrain and potentially high-speed rail) will result in many years of construction around SAP Center, with no cohesive plan to mitigate the impact and accessibility issues for fans that must drive to Sharks games. For many fans in the Bay Area, current public transit options are limited.

The San Jose Sharks is a distinctive San Jose brand. It brings national recognition to the City, elicits pride from residents and generates a great deal of revenue in areas surrounding the arena, such as San Pedro Market and other local restaurants and hotels. Without a cohesive plan to account for years of



construction, road closures and limited access to parking, I fear that SAP attendance will greatly diminish and we run the risk of SSE moving the franchise out of San Jose.

I understand that the final approval phase of the project goes before the San Jose Planning Commission on April 28th and then to the City Council on May 25th. As a loyal Sharks fan, I urge you to please consider SSE's project revisions to the Downtown West project, in order to protect the future of SAP Center and the San Jose Sharks.

Sincerely,  
Laurel Warkentin  
Concerned Bay Area resident and loyal Sharks fan

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**Fw: Protect SAP Center at San Jose**

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 4/27/2021 8:08 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** lilgbear1 <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 8:40 PM

**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

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Let's move the Sharks to a new home in Oakland!

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City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Russell Sco <russell.sc o [REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 8:19 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

SJ City Government,

Please think about the bigger picture.

The people of San Jose should be first. Goggle see's San Jose as a stepping stone on their path.

SAP Center needs to stay and be a priority.

R.Scott

West SJ

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**Fw: Protect SAP Center at San Jose**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Tue 4/27/2021 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Richard Peterson <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 5:02 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

I wish to register my concern that the Google develop may have a severe negative effect on operations of SAP center. As a long time visiter to SAP and with a spouse of a long time downtown business, I know how vital visitors are to the downtown area. Steps must be taken to allow access and parking for SAP in order to foster continued support for the business community and SAP.

Sincerely,  
RK Peterson

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**From:** Sco Wendler <s.wendler@sanjoseca.gov>**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 5:02 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

Dear San Jose City Clerk,

Having read the agreements between the city and Google, as well as the agreements between the city and the Sharks, I have grave concerns about the San Jose Sharks and the Arena's long term viability. As a long time resident, and one who has worked downtown over 20 years, I understand downtown San Jose would be a shell of what it is without the Sharks. I'm all for the Google development, as long as it doesn't infringe on the long established institutions, like the Sharks and the Arena. These institutions are major reasons downtown San Jose is so attractive to Google.

Regards,

Scott Wendler

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City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Tue 4/27/2021 9:01 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Lisa Lee <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Tuesday, April 27, 2021 8:57 AM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

I am writing in regards to the newly proposed Google project.

I am very dismayed to hear and see that this project has progressed this far without actually addressing the MANY MANY MANY issues it will cause the residents that already populate the area.

Please reconsider the size and location of the project.

It is ridiculous to continue to put up large work buildings and assume an infrastructure will follow.suit.

STOP 🚫

The infrastructure needs to be in play well before hand.

This area has undergone tremendous growth in the span of 12 -15 years and no infrastrucrure has been put into play. It is a nightmare to navigate the area. The housing is not plentiful nor is it affordable.

Shoving another institution that has the means to build a COMPLETE INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE is what should be considered if not demanded by this body that oversees the area. How are you allowing it to happen otherwise? Stop being bullied and pushed around. Enough is enough. Half the building will no doubt remain empty with the changes we are seeing in the workplace. How is this at all forward thinking? Environmental sound? Good for the environment?

Just the worst idea of the day.

Concerned Citizen

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Tue 4/27/2021 8:10 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Stacy Ness <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 6:50 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

Hello

As a San Jose resident I am very concerned about the development plans for Google. If the last year in lockdown taught this area anything it is the need for large venues to host events to allow the public to return to a state of normal. Allowing a tech giant like Google to bully the city into getting their way will negatively impact venues such as SAP. The majority of the population still drives cars and that is not going to go away anytime in the near future, especially with all the funding delays in public transportation. Do not allow Google to remove any downtown parking. I am already seeing a negative impact where I live on 11th street after the repaving project that removed several parking spaces on my street and now my driveway gets blocked by people parking 2 to a space previously allocated for 1 car. This problem is only going to get worse when Google moves downtown. There needs to be enough parking for SAP and Google. IF San Jose were to lose SAP center and the San Jose Sharks it would devastate the city. As a resident and tax payer of downtown San Jose I suggest in the deal with Google more parking garages be created that are multi use. Dont' let a large corporation with sexist practices win. Google is not a good neighbor or example for a business.

Best Regards  
Stacy

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**FW: I support the Downtown West Mixed Use project**

PlanningSupportStaff &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Thu 4/29/2021 1:22 PM

**To:** Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>**Cc:** Han, James <[REDACTED]> Tu, John <[REDACTED]> Severino, Lori

&lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Joan Bucher [mailto:[REDACTED]]**Sent:** Thursday, April 29, 2021 6:10 AM**To:** PlanningSupportStaff <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** I support the Downtown West Mixed Use project

[External Email]

I own a home close to the SAP Center in the St Leo neighborhood and enjoy attending Sharks games. My husband and I walk or ride our bikes everywhere including grocery shopping and errands. We also use CalTrain to go to Palo Alto and Mt View. We are against encouraging people to use their cars. We are FOR using trains, bikes and other modes of transportation. People will not change their habits until they are confronted with the need to change. That is how I changed from using a car. We sold one car last year due to lack of use and only have one car now.

Property values will increase and quality of life will improve with this plan.

In order to achieve the City's mode shift goals, we must put this kind of plan in place that provides choices other than single occupancy vehicles. This is especially true in an area next to what will be a world class transit center, a great bike trail and is urban.

- Too much parking and street space for cars means the City will be stuck in a car-centric mentality.
- Do not water down the plan with more parking and street space for cars. Put people first.

Joan Bucher Ellison (Symonds)

Julian Symonds

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**FW: Protect SAP Center at San Jose - Planning Commission Agenda 4-28-21 item 8.a**

PlanningSupportStaff <[redacted]>

Fri 4/30/2021 10:45 AM

To: Agendadesk <[redacted]>  
Cc: Severino, Lori <[redacted]> Tu, John <[redacted]> Han, James  
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From: Consuelo Maria Mata [mailto:[redacted]]  
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 3:42 PM  
To: PlanningSupportStaff <[redacted]>  
Subject: Protect SAP Center at San Jose - Planning Commission Agenda 4-28-21 item 8.a

[External Email]

To Whom it May Concern:

I have been a very long active Hockey Fan for the San Jose Sharks @the SAP Center for 30+ Years

Please protect the SAP Center for the San Jose Sharks at San Jose.

Regards,  
Consuelo Maria Mata-Lopez  
Email: [redacted]  
[redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

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**Fw: Protect SAP Center at San Jose**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Leigh Ann Ryder <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Friday, April 30, 2021 10:35 AM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Protect SAP Center at San Jose

[External Email]

I am a resident in district 5. I am concerned about Google driving how the area around the arena is used. I work near the 49 stadium and traffic and light rail delays (pre pandemic) were terrible every game due to not enough parking and streets not built to support that. Please don't restrict tank access like that and make attending events difficult

Regards

Leigh Ann Ryder

iPhone. iTypos. iApologize.

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**FW: Support jobs and homes near transit - Planning Commission 2021-04-28 Agenda Items 8(a) and 8(b)**

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Wed 5/5/2021 9:38 AM

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**From:** Pat Blevins [mailto:[REDACTED]]**Sent:** Tuesday, May 4, 2021 8:27 AM**To:** PlanningSupportStaff <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Support jobs and homes near transit - Planning Commission 2021-04-28 Agenda Items 8(a) and 8(b)

[External Email]

I don't know if its too late to offer an opinion about how the City can support both jobs and homes near transit, but if I may, I think this is the most positive choice.

By placing new homes, whether houses or rental units far from transit lines the City just increases our already intractable problem with traffic. Further, with no real traffic control offered by the police department, individuals drive recklessly and put people's lives in danger.

But if people could live near where they work or have easy access to clean, public transportation, car traffic would not worsen.

Thank you for considering this opinion after the Commission meeting was held.

Patricia Blevins

San Jose

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### FW: Downtown West & DSAP Amendment: Emails for 5/25 CC

Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]>

Thu 5/6/2021 9:06 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>  
Cc: Tu, John <[REDACTED]> Han, James <[REDACTED]> Severino, Lori <[REDACTED]>  
<[REDACTED]> Downtown West Project <[REDACTED]> Ruano, Jose <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

Elizabeth Canales-Mora requested that I forward correspondence for the 5/25 City Council to this address. Please refer to the email below from Mary Cassel.

Please let me know if you have any quesons.

Thanks,

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street  
[REDACTED] | (408) 535 - 7872

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**From:** Hill, Shannon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 5, 2021 11:29 AM  
**To:** Canales-Mora, Elizabeth <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** Downtown West Project <[REDACTED]> Keyon, David <[REDACTED]> Tu, John <[REDACTED]> Han, James <[REDACTED]> Ruano, Jose <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** FW: Downtown West & DSAP Amendment: Emails for CC

Hi Elizabeth,

Please include the email below in the package for the 5/25 City Council hearing.

Thanks!

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
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**From:** mary cassel <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 30, 2021 3:30 AM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re:

[External Email]

I Hope this is safe!!!! Reg Dierdon planning : be er put some parking towers in - cars Will come and our neighborhood streets are already overcrowded. Where would we park? We can't put up parking [P] towers !!!

On Wed, Apr 28, 2021, 6:34 PM Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Mary,

Your email below has been forwarded to the Planning Commission for their consideraon a t tonight's Planning Commission meeng.

Best regards,

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street  
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**From:** mary cassel <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 28, 2021 5:21 PM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:**

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Name : Mary Cassel  
Concerned about changes proposed - open. Space and parks - dierdon

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# Fw: Community members should govern the Google community fund

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Fri 5/7/2021 8:22 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Brian Carr <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Thursday, May 6, 2021 11:20 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Walesh, Kim <[REDACTED]> Klein, Nanci <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Maya Esparza, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

As a resident of District 7, I urge you to empower community members to decide how we spend community benefit funds from the San José Google project.

Our community has made clear that the Google project cannot destabilize our communities: it must include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive.

For Google’s commitment to put millions of dollars into a San José Community Fund to be truly meaningful, our community must have real power over where this money goes. Specifically:

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Sincerely,

Brian Carr

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**From:** Bob Brownstein <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Thursday, May 6, 2021 8:57 PM**To:** District3 <[REDACTED]>**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Walesh, Kim <[REDACTED]> Klein, Nanci <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Raul Peralez, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

As a resident of District 3, I urge you to empower community members to decide how we spend community benefit funds from the San José Google project.

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**Fw: We need community members to be in charge of Google's community fund**

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Fri 5/7/2021 8:23 AM

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**From:** Ma Sa vage <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 6, 2021 7:46 PM  
**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Walesh, Kim <[REDACTED]> Klein, Nanci <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** We need community members to be in charge of Google's community fund

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Ms. Klein, Ms. Walesh, and Councilmember Davis,

While the Google project will bring many benefits to our community, it should also include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive.

Our community needs real power over where this money goes for Google's commitment to San José to be truly meaningful, Specifically:

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Sincerely,

Matt Savage

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Fri 5/7/2021 9:02 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Brian Wheatley <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Friday, May 7, 2021 8:43 AM

**To:** District9 <[REDACTED]>

**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Walesh, Kim <[REDACTED]> Klein, Nanci <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Pam Foley, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

As a resident of District 9, I urge you to empower community members to decide how we spend community benefit funds from the San José Google project.

Our community has made clear that the Google project cannot destabilize our communities: it must include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive.

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Sincerely,

Brian Wheatley

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**FW: New Google Center & SAP Center Parking [ ref:\_00D507IUG.\_5001T1VD13v:ref ]**

PlanningSupportStaff <[redacted]>

Fri 5/7/2021 9:05 AM

**To:** Agendadesk <[redacted]>  
**Cc:** Tu, John <[redacted]> Han, James <[redacted]> Severino, Lori <[redacted]>

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**From:** District 6 [mailto:[redacted]]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 6, 2021 6:13 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** PlanningSupportStaff <[redacted]>  
**Subject:** RE: New Google Center & SAP Center Parking [ ref:\_00D507IUG.\_5001T1VD13v:ref ]

[External Email]

Hi Roy,

Thanks for your support of the Downtown West Mixed Use plan for Google!

Best,  
Mary Anne Groen  
Chief of Staff  
Office of Councilmember Davis

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Roy Leonard [redacted]  
**Sent:** 4/27/2021 11:32 AM  
**To:** [redacted]; [redacted]  
**Subject:** New Google Center & SAP Center Parking

Hi

I strongly support the downtown west mixed use plan for Google, mixed use, homes and parks.

The SAP Center/Sharks request to preserve thousands of parking spaces is not a productive use of our spaces. Spectators and audience members have alternative methods of transportation to successfully and easily get to the SAP Center. Reducing the number of spaces will likely have no impact on their matches or shows, but utilizing those spaces in a more productive manner will have a huge impact to everyone else.

Regards

Roy Leonard  
CA 95125



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# Fw: Community members should govern the Google community fund

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To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Barbara Ramos <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Friday, May 7, 2021 10:23 AM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Walesh, Kim <[REDACTED]> Klein, Nanci <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

Barbara Ramos

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April 26, 2021

VIA EMAIL ([city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov))

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Planning Commission



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200 E. Santa Clara Street  
San Jose, CA 95113

**RE: DOWNTOWN WEST (GOOGLE) DRAFT EIR FIRST AMENDMENT  
GP19-009, PDC19-039, PD19-029**

Dear Chairperson Caballero and Esteemed Commissioners,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on Google’s revised Downtown West Mixed Use Plan and the project’s Draft EIR First Amendment. PAC\* SJ would like to commend both the Google project team and Planning Division staff for their comprehensive and constructive responses to PAC\* SJ’s concerns about project’s potential impacts to historic resources within and adjacent to the project site. As outlined in Section 1.2.2 (pp. 1-4 through 1-6) of the First Amendment, Google has made significant positive changes to their proposed scope of work since the release of the first Draft EIR, including new commitments to preserve and rehabilitate numerous historic resources originally proposed for demolition. These and other welcome changes are a direct result of Google’s commitment to robust, good-faith engagement with PAC\* SJ and other community stakeholders and a testament to the benefits of open dialogue and collaboration.

While not all of PAC\* SJ’s comments and recommendations have been incorporated into the revised Downtown West project, we are generally satisfied that our input was given fair consideration and helped contribute to an improved overall plan that better meets the project’s stated objectives to “*incorporate high-quality urban design, architecture, and open spaces with varied form, scale, and design character to enliven San José’s downtown*” and to “*preserve and adapt landmark historic resources and assets where feasible to foster a place authentic to San José, and foster contemporary relations to San José’s history.*”

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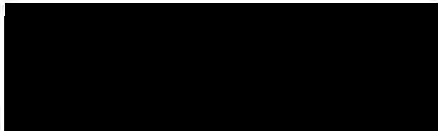
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We therefore support the revised project as presented and encourage its approval by the Planning Commission and City Council. We also look forward to continued collaboration with the Google project team, Planning Department, and other stakeholders to implement this ambitious and exciting preservation effort.

Sincerely,



Ben Leech  
Executive Director  
Preservation Action Council of San Jose

cc: Shannon Hill ([shannon.hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:shannon.hill@sanjoseca.gov))  
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**Fw: Community members should govern the Google community fund**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Sun 5/9/2021 1:13 PM

**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** James Marshall [REDACTED]**Sent:** Sunday, May 9, 2021 11:22 AM**To:** District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Welsh, Kim <Kim.Walsh@sanjoseca.gov>; Klein, Nanci <Nanci.Klein@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Community members should govern the Google community fund

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

James Marshall

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**Fw: Google Downtown West Comment**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Thu 5/13/2021 8:13 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**From:** Hunter Wills [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 12, 2021 7:26 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Subject:** Google Downtown West Comment

[External Email]

Hi,

I am concerned about being able to safely and comfortably walk from the proposed Google campus to the other side of the train tracks. I propose that a pedestrian bridge is added over the train tracks from the north end of Google's proposed campus to Lenzen Avenue to better connect the two sides of the tracks.

Thanks!

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**Fw: Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2, 10.3**

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 5/17/2021 9:57 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Kevin Wang <kjw@leftsock.com>

**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:14 AM

**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

<[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2, 10.3

[External Email]

I support the Downtown West project, please approve 10.2 and 10.3!

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**Fw: Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Mon 5/17/2021 9:56 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Kristal C <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:52 AM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

&lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

**Subject:** Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2

[External Email]

Good morning,

I support agenda item 10.2 Downtown West project. I am excited to see change in DTSJ for a world-class transit and bicycling in San Jose. It is long overdue. Traffic collisions on the rise and gasoline prices aren't going down. We need to provide affordable transit. Urban development will help that. I work in San Jose and bike a lot. Unfortunately, not everyone can do that. I want to see more people get on their bikes or walk or catch the bus. The weather is great and there are so many places to visit in DTSJ. I am excited to see the murals and support local businesses.

Thanks,

Kristal Caidoy

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**Fw: Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

Mon 5/17/2021 9:56 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Ashok Rajendran <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:50 AM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

&lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

**Subject:** Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2

[External Email]

Hello,

I'm writing to express my **support for the Downtown West project**. This project does so much to enable the adoption of efficient transportation options like transit and bicycling, which make our city safer and greener.

I live in Garden Alameda and very much enjoy our walkable urban spaces. I am excited to see how much public use walkable and bikeable area Downtown West would bring to our community

As a San Josean and a cyclist, I respectfully urge the city to approve the downtown west project.

Thank you,

Ashok

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May 16, 2021

Via Email to: [REDACTED]

To: Mayor Sam Liccardo, City of San Jose, CA  
All City Councilmembers, City of San Jose

From: John & Lisa Kovaleski  
City of San Jose Residents and Community Advocates

Re: Letter of Support – Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan (Google Project)

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council Members,

As long-time San Jose residents and enthusiastic supporters for a safe, clean, inclusive and vibrant downtown San Jose, we urge City of San Jose leadership to adopt the various resolutions and approve an ordinance re-zoning 80 acres allowing the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan (Google Project) to proceed as proposed by Google and their dedicated/talented project team at the City Council meeting on Tuesday May 25, 2021.

After more than 3 years of thorough community outreach, listening and responding to community stakeholders and City of San Jose input regarding the collective vision of the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan, Google and their project consultants have created a truly world class mixed-use plan that will revitalize and expand San Jose's downtown core over the next 10 years, just when our community needs it most. While the economic and social impacts of this project (creating both jobs and housing within a transit oriented district) will be significant to our community, including creating 5,700 prevailing wage construction jobs, up to 7.3 million square feet of office space, 4,000 new homes (25% of which are affordable), it's the long-term community benefits, which makes the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan so compelling. With 500,000 square feet of active space (retail, cultural, arts and education space), 15 acres of public parks/open space included in the "publically accessible" project plan and finally, Google's commitment to fund the \$150M Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund, rooted in social equity and community participation, which we're most excited about.

The time is now for the Downtown West Mixed-Use plan to move forward. Please vote "Yes" on the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan on Tuesday May 25, 2021 and thank you for your leadership and hard work toward making the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan a reality.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
John Kovaleski  
(San Jose Resident)

[REDACTED]  
Lisa Kovaleski  
(San Jose Resident)

May 25, 2021

Mayor and Members of the City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara  
San Jose, CA



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[www.bikesiliconvalley.org](http://www.bikesiliconvalley.org)  
96 N. Third St, Suite 375  
San Jose, CA 95112  
408-287-7259

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

On behalf of Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, (SVBC), a nonprofit organization improving the community, economy and environment through the everyday use of the bicycle, I am writing to support the staff recommendation regarding the Downtown West Mixed Use Project.

As a member of the Station Area Advisory Group and a stakeholder in San Jose, SVBC has been closely following the redevelopment of the Diridon Area. SVBC is thrilled that the community, City, and Google have put together a plan that will help ensure that as the area redevelops, important city-wide needs will be addressed, and community assets will be bolstered.

As an organization, SVBC is focused on helping those who already ride or would like to ride for everyday use. We also understand that safe bike infrastructure alone is not nearly enough to encourage people to choose the bicycle. Housing, jobs, parks, densely built along with safe bike infrastructure will create the conditions under which people will be compelled to ride, walk, and take public transit. That's what this plan is about.

SVBC re-proved this lesson recently through the first ever [public opinion research](#) into Santa Clara County attitudes towards transportation. In partnership with the Mineta Transportation Institute the research showed clear differences between walking, biking and transit ridership within urban areas as opposed to suburban. In essence, if we are to create a transportation ecosystem that is resilient, affordable, sustainable, healthy and fun, meaning, walking, biking and public transit, we must build for that system in the ways outlined in this plan.

To do that we know that making biking infrastructure fantastic is not enough to change longstanding auto-centric habits. **That is why, at the same time, the City must constrain single occupancy driving.** People will default to driving unless bikes, transit, and walking are made awesome AND limits on single occupancy vehicles are put in place. This is baked into the City's General Plan in the form of mode shift goals that reduce SOVs to 40% and increase walking and biking to 15%. The prospect of this Plan offers one of the most significant opportunities to achieve those goals.

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Shiloh Ballard

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It is also important to note that the Diridon Area and Downtown must be even more aggressive than the rest of the City in achieving these mode shift goals. Downtown must exceed these targets in order to carry those areas of the City where walking, biking, and public transit are less possible. Downtown is where high mode shift is realistic and this is where we must double down on all methods of reducing San Jose's car-centric, outdated, prehistoric thinking.

SVBC would also like to highlight the work of professional staff in the Department of Transportation. These committed public servants have worked thoughtfully with stakeholders to put appropriate transportation improvements in place. And while SVBC doesn't agree that the Plan needs as much parking and capacity for cars as is outlined, we also understand why the Plan is as it is. **That said, we want to emphasize that less parking and street space for cars, not more, is warranted given the reasoning outlined above.** Neighboring businesses ought to view their role as that of a City partner working to achieve the General Plan's vision, a vision where one is not required to own a car in order to achieve economic mobility.

Thank you to the City for working so hard to move this plan forward. We encourage the City Council's support.

Sincerely,



Shiloh Ballard  
Executive Director  
Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition

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Google representatives of Downtown West & City of San Jose officials,

Thank you to Google & City staff for conning t o engage Catalyze SV's Project Advocacy Commi ee. Thank you Google for enabling [our members to review your updated plans for for the Downtown West & the Development Agreement earlier this month](#). Congratulaons t o your team on the successful rollout.

Our members are excited to be involved in this game-changing project and look forward to spending me in the new neighborhood Google has proposed! Our members were impressed with the community benefits in the Development Agreement and additional impr ovements to the vibrancy and sustainability of the project.

Please find below the full, updated evaluaon fr om [Catalyze SV](#)'s Project Advocacy Commi ee. In it, we also offer a big-picture look back at Downtown West's groundbreaking promises & possibilities.

**1) Scorecard.** The project re-scored higher at 4.43 out of 5 (increased from 4.29 out of 5). Our members increased the project's score in the Community category. This is a meaningful improvement on an already high score.

**2) Le er.** We'd also like to reiterate our members' construcv e comments on the updated proposal. For instance, we'd like to see building heights increased on the land dedicated for affordable housing and some of the \$22.3 million in unallocated Community Benefits Commitment used to provide transit passes for low-income workers and residents. We'd welcome re-scoring the project yet again if/as Google and/or the City make any future updates.

We look forward to seeing this project approved, hopefully with Catalyze SV's improvements incorporated!

In the coming days, we'll be adding the above scorecard & le er to [our website](#). Thank you very much for considering our members' views on this project and keeping us updated as it moves forward! Warmly - Alex

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May 17, 2021

To: Mayor Liccardo and members of the San Jose City Council

Re: Support for Item 10.2 on the May 25 Agenda: Google Downtown West Plan

The Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter, the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, the California Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Valley Chapter and Green Foothills write in support of the Google Downtown West Plan and its associated Development Agreement between Google and the City of San Jose.

For decades, our organizations have advocated for the preservation of the open landscapes of Santa Clara County and our native flora and fauna. At the same time, we promoted good urban planning that focuses on density in the urban core, prevents displacement, protects riparian ecosystems, integrates native trees and shrubs into urban design, and promotes sustainability. More recently, we have been advocating for climate action and resilience, adaptation to sea level rise, and transit-focused mixed-use development. Google's Downtown West Plan accomplishes many of these elements. We are pleased to see the long-term vision of incorporating nature into the public urban environment and the building of a vibrant, walkable, planned community coming to life in the City of San Jose.

The Google team reached out to our groups early in the design process and has been responsive to many of our suggestions and requests regarding riparian setbacks, protecting and enhancing nature and habitat along the creeks, and embracing a California native plant palette that includes locally native trees such as oaks and sycamores. Downtown West has been designed to stay consistent with policies and guidelines around Los Gatos Creek and Guadalupe River, and to allow people to enjoy nature along the creeks. Our suggestions for bird safety measures, avoiding light pollution and minimizing the impacts of artificial light at night were incorporated into the plan.

The project is a downtown-focused and transit-focused mixed-use development — the right thing for San José, as the creation of jobs and housing downtown contributes to climate action and resilience, and allows for the protection of open space, as in Coyote Valley.

Respectfully,

David W. Poeschel  
Open Space Committee Chair  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

Matthew Dodder  
Executive Director  
Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society

Linda Ruthruff  
Conservation Chair  
California Native Plant Society  
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Alice Kaufman  
Legislative Advocacy Director  
Green Foothills

Cc: James Eggers  
Executive Director  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

**Fw: Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Tue 5/18/2021 9:14 AM

**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** Mikhail Haurylau [REDACTED]**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:10 PM**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; Davis, Dev <dev.davis@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2

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Hello,

I'm writing to express my **support for the Downtown West project**. This project does so much to enable the adoption of efficient transportation options like transit and bicycling, which make our city safer and greener.

I live 1-2 miles away from the project, and am a daily bike commuter through the Downtown West area. I find myself biking and walking around that area quite a bit as well. When i first moved to San Jose, i could not believe how backward and rundown the Montgomery/San Carlos area is, with car-oriented transportation and endless (and often abandoned) parking lots. I truly believe that Downtown West project, and street and affordable housing improvements can rejuvenate the area, and make it both safer and more habitable

As a San Josean and a cyclist, I respectfully urge the city to approve the downtown west project.

Thank you,

Mikhail Haurylau

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**Fw: Support for Google and Downtown West**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** Russell Hancock <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Thursday, May 20, 2021 3:49 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Support for Google and Downtown West

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Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

I'm writing on behalf of [Joint Venture Silicon Valley](#) to express support for the Downtown West development plans being forwarded by Google.

By way of background, Joint Venture is an organization convening our region's leaders to tackle the challenges facing Silicon Valley. Chief among those challenges are the pressing need to add to our housing stock, to provide that housing in strategic locations that leverage transit, and to do it in a way that creates vibrancy.

Google's proposals are impressive in every regard. They would:

- Provide 4,000 new homes
- 25 percent of those homes will be classified as "affordable"
- Those homes will be in proximity to Diridon Station, so that the residents can utilize BART, Caltrain and local buses
- Develop 15 acres of public parks and open space
- Add more than 2,000 trees to the landscape

In our view the proposal is sensitive to context and adding value not only to the City but to the region.

Moreover, Google is making \$150 million available to San Jose in a fund for community purposes, including stabilization measures, mitigations, and opportunity pathways for the City's residents.

The project will generate 5,700 or more construction jobs at the prevailing wage, and is targeting zero net new carbon emissions.

In our view the project is exemplary in every way, and Google has been thorough and conscientious in seeking input from the community. We also view the project as visionary, putting San Jose on the leading edge of urban planning and design. We're anxious to see it come to fruition.

Yours,

Russell Hancock  
President & Chief Executive Officer

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Han, James <[redacted]>

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Thu 5/20/2021 8:32 AM

To: Agendadesk <[redacted]>

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**From:** Katrina Stevens <[redacted]>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 19, 2021 6:13 PM

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Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and members of the City Council,

I am writing to encourage the City Council to approve the proposed development agreement for Downtown West at next week’s meeting.

As president and CEO of The Tech Interactive, one of my highest priorities is to ensure that meaningful educational opportunities — the kind that spark imaginations and open doors to viable career paths — are available to all in our community. I am certain Google’s presence in downtown San Jose will help expand these kinds of opportunities.

Google has listened carefully to San Jose residents and as a result has a deep understanding of their needs. The company’s plan for a \$200 million community benefit fund demonstrates its expansive and modern view of corporate citizenship; this type of forward-looking public-private partnership is essential to the future of San Jose.

Too many young people in Silicon Valley graduate high school without the skills and mindsets needed to go to college and, ultimately, join the tech workforce that drives so much economic opportunity. This is

damaging, and not just to these students' individual prospects: The tech industry can't develop solutions that work for all without a diverse workforce. The Google community fund can help expand pathways to career success for our most under-served students while helping ensure Silicon Valley companies have the workers they need.

I also believe the Downtown West development will add vibrancy to our city while bringing new visitors to San Jose — and to The Tech Interactive. Over the long term, this will improve our financial viability and, in turn, support our mission to inspire the innovator in everyone.

Google's commitment to our community is not new. The company has a long history of partnering with us to develop and deliver impactful programs, including \$2 million in cash and in-kind support over the years for programs like The Tech Challenge, The Tech Awards, and field trips for Title I schools. I look forward to continuing to work with Google's leaders to create even more educational opportunities for San Jose's young people.

For all these reasons and more, I urge you to approve the Downtown West development agreement.

Yours sincerely,

Katrina Stevens

**Katrina Stevens**

President and CEO

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**Fw: City Council Consideration of Google Downtown West Application**

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**From:** Golem, Ron <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:03 PM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** City Council Consideration of Google Downtown West Application

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Dear Ms. Taber and team, I am planning to speak during public comment on this Council agenda item next Tuesday. My comments will cover VTA's Public-Private Partnership with Google, the importance of that partnership and the Downtown West project for Phase 2 of VTA's BART Silicon Valley Extension, and VTA's support for Google's application.

I will sign up on the public platform to speak. If possible I would greatly appreciate it if you could make me the first public speaker. Thank you for your consideration.

All the best,

Ron

**Ron Golem**

Director of Real Estate &amp; Transit-Oriented Development

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council Members,

I am writing on behalf of Year Up to express our support of Google, which has been an ardent advocate of our organization and our mission to close the Opportunity Divide. Year Up is an award-winning, national 501(c)3 organization that enables motivated young adults to move from minimum wage to meaningful careers in just one year. We provide underserved talent in our community with the skills, experience, and support that will empower them to reach their full potential. At the same time, we connect America’s largest companies with a pipeline of skilled, diverse talent.

Since we first launched our Silicon Valley site in 2013, Google has been a generous supporter of our work. In the past, Google has hosted Year Up interns and given them the opportunity to demonstrate their talent, gain critical job experience and network to accelerate their careers. In addition, through Google’s philanthropic arm, Google.org, we have received more than \$2 million in grants nationwide to help scale our program. Lastly, Google has provided us with discounted office space so that we can remain in the downtown San Jose area and continue to serve the young adults in our community. We are grateful for Google and their generosity towards Year Up and our program.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

In community,

Brian Luis

**Brian Luis**

Site Director, Silicon Valley

*My gender pronouns are he/him/his*

**Year Up – Silicon Valley**

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### Fw: Downtown West Support Petition

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 5/18/2021 10:51 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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[FINAL] HAC Letter of Support Downtown West (3) (2).pdf; Downtown West Petition Signers 5.18.2021.xlsx;

**From:** Corey Smith <corey@sfhac.org>

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**Subject:** Downtown West Support Peon

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Mayor Liccardo and members of the San Jose City Council,

On behalf of the Housing Action Coalition, the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, the Bay Area Council, South Bay YIMBY and the San Jose Downtown Association, please see the attached document with [petition signers in support of the Downtown West Proposal](#).

Please note that 78% of the signers indicated they are San Jose residents, reflecting the strong support among residents.

I've also attached the Housing Action Coalition's Letter of Support. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,  
Corey Smith  
Deputy Director, HAC

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**Corey Smith** 陈锐 | Pronouns: He/Him

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Bora	GV <sup>o</sup> rrel	34300	N/A	A very important project for San Jose as being the As a San Jose resident and home owner I fully support
Nikki	Witten	95112	San Jose	this proposal and hope San Jose commits to this
Trevor	Brown	94605	Oakland	Bring on more housing! Downtown San Jose needs tech works to create local
Viren	patel	95113	San Jose	economic growth. I can speak in front of an audience Former San Jose resident, that would love to get back
Maximiliano	Auer	95051	Santa Clara	there to live, in the confort of a mixed-use
George	Leonard	95128	San Jose	Go Google!
Greg	Felix	95126	San Jose	Go Google! I am in FULL SUPPORT of this project. As residents of downtown San Jose for over 35 years, we have seen numerous opportunities for growth in this great city go by the way side. We MUST let this golden
Christine	Davis	95112	San Jose	opportunity for job development and housing come to
Joan	Price	94705	Berkeley	I am in support of the vision and mission of the
Liehann	Loots	94087	Sunnyvale	I strongly support the downtown west plan.
B	Sholomon	95110	San Jose	I support downtown west!
Chris	Booth	95112	San Jose	I support this development and the jobs it will bring to
NICOLE	AMSLER	95126	San Jose	I support this! Downtown SJ needs this.
Saiyanna	Charitou	95128	San Jose	Let's get it done!
Abhishek	Nancherla	95126	San Jose	N/A
Abhishek	Nancherla	95126	San Jose	N/A
Abhishek	Singh	95132	San Jose	N/A
Adam	Grosso	33323	N/A	N/A
Adam	Buchbinder	95008	Campbell	N/A
Aditya	Jain	95122	San Jose	N/A
Ahmad	Sinno	94115	San Francis	N/A
Ai	Suzuki	95113	San Jose	N/A
Ajay	Patel	91709	Chino Hills	N/A
Alison	Quien	94403	San Mateo	N/A
Amar	Khanna	95126	San Jose	N/A
Amrita	Dev	95132	San Jose	N/A
Ana	Henderson	95110	San Jose	N/A
Andrei	Sholomon	95110	San Jose	N/A
Andrew	Matsuoka	11201	N/A	N/A
Andy	Yang	95128	San Jose	N/A
Andy	Aganad	95135	San Jose	N/A
Angelica	Santibanez	95125	San Jose	N/A
Angeliki	Menig	95113	San Jose	N/A
Angelina	Perez	95116	San Jose	N/A
Anoeil	Odisho	95120	San Jose	N/A

Anthony	Marek	95126	San Jose	N/A
Anthony	Perry	95776	Woodland	N/A
Archie	Garcv#a	95113	San Jose	N/A
Arleen	Hansen	95120	San Jose	N/A
Artur	Urbanski	95113	San Jose	N/A
Autumn	Young	95126	San Jose	N/A
Ava	Bromberg	95112	San Jose	N/A
Ben	Link	95110	San Jose	N/A
Benjamin	Irinaga	94111	San Francis	N/A
Bianca	Adorno	95126	San Jose	N/A
Brian	Corbett	95124	San Jose	N/A
Caleb	Cater	95113	San Jose	N/A
Cameron	Coles	95112	San Jose	N/A
Carmen	Arjona-Ariza	95110	San Jose	N/A
Casey	McBrian	95136	San Jose	N/A
Chengjun	Yuan	94087	Sunnyvale	N/A
Chien-Hui	Wen	95014	Cupertino	N/A
Chris	Smith	95060	Santa Cruz	N/A
Chris	Schroeder	95125	San Jose	N/A
Christina	Yu	10016	N/A	N/A
Christophe	Jouin	95113	San Jose	N/A
Christopher	Kosko	85280	N/A	N/A
Christopher	Canton	95110	San Jose	N/A
Christopher	Wolf	95113	San Jose	N/A
Chun-Hao	Lin	95110	San Jose	N/A
Clement	Ng	95126	San Jose	N/A
Corey	Smith	94103	San Francis	N/A
Corrine	Mullins	95110	San Jose	N/A
Dan	Wu	95112	San Jose	N/A
Daniel	Kuo	95014	Cupertino	N/A
Daniel	Steele	95125	San Jose	N/A
Daniel	Filip	95126	San Jose	N/A
Danny	Tran	94117	San Francis	N/A
David	Piercy	95122	San Jose	N/A
Debbie	Espejo	95125	San Jose	N/A
Dennis	Kim	95134	San Jose	N/A
Desiree	Beci	95148	San Jose	N/A
Diana	Wu	95110	San Jose	N/A
Diana	Urias	95125	San Jose	N/A
Diane	Solinger	95032	Los Gatos	N/A
Dnyanesh	Joshi	95122	San Jose	N/A
Drew	Giles	95126	San Jose	N/A
Eddie	Correa	95127	San Jose	N/A

Edgar	Moreno	95113	San Jose	N/A
Emi	Wong	95008	Campbell	N/A
Eric	Christopher	95112	San Jose	N/A
Fan	Wang	95112	San Jose	N/A
farzaneh	kashef	95113	San Jose	N/A
Fatih	Irдем	95124	San Jose	N/A
fernando	ambriz	95122	San Jose	N/A
Francisco	Ventura	95127	San Jose	N/A
Grace	Lin	95110	San Jose	N/A
Heidi	Eisips	95125	San Jose	N/A
Ian	Bruesehoff	95020	Gilroy	N/A
Iliriana	Kacaniku	94110	San Francis	N/A
Ilya	Gurin	94043	Mountain \	N/A
Isela	Ruiz	95125	San Jose	N/A
Itsel	Polvos	95113	San Jose	N/A
Ivan	Robertson	95113	San Jose	N/A
James	Huang	95110	San Jose	N/A
Jane	Tsai	95112	San Jose	N/A
Janet	Velazquez	95125	San Jose	N/A
Janikke	Klem	95125	San Jose	N/A
Jason	Whitworth	95139	San Jose	N/A
Jeff	Lee	95113	San Jose	N/A
Jen	Le	95123	San Jose	N/A
Jenica	Finuliar	95035	Milpitas	N/A
Jenni	Park	95126	San Jose	N/A
Jennifer	Campbell	95126	San Jose	N/A
Jennifer	Martinez	95127	San Jose	N/A
Jewell	Rimes	95121	San Jose	N/A
Joe	Macias	95116	San Jose	N/A
Joel	Cesare	95062	Santa Cruz	N/A
John	Belamaric	95125	San Jose	N/A
Johnson	Kuo	95126	San Jose	N/A
Jon	Bringhurst	95136	San Jose	N/A
Jonathan	Tomer	95126	San Jose	N/A
Jonathan	Ho	95126	San Jose	N/A
Joseph	Vandenorth	94061	Redwood C	N/A
Julia		95125	San Jose	N/A
Julio	Garcia	95125	San Jose	N/A
Jyothi	Vemu	95126	San Jose	N/A
Karen	Malvase	95126	San Jose	N/A
Karen	Schlesser	95126	San Jose	N/A
Kat	Wortham	94087	Sunnyvale	N/A
Kristen	Pfund	95120	San Jose	N/A



Leslie	Staines-Valenzisi	95126	San Jose	N/A
Lixing	Fu	95124	San Jose	N/A
Lucia	Salazar	95128	San Jose	N/A
Luis Sebastian	Grillo	95125	San Jose	N/A
Luke	Spicer	95112	San Jose	N/A
Lupe	Vasquez	9	N/A	N/A
Marci	Gerston	94024	Los Altos	N/A
Maria	Montelongo	95125	San Jose	N/A
Mario	Burnias	95138	San Jose	N/A
Maritza	Paez	95110	San Jose	N/A
Marnie	Singer	94538	Fremont	N/A
Matthew	Castagnolo	95002	Alviso	N/A
Matthew	Russo	95112	San Jose	N/A
Meggyn	Watkins	95116	San Jose	N/A
Melissa	Sheklian	95112	San Jose	N/A
Michael	Lin	95110	San Jose	N/A
Mike	Yoder	95128	San Jose	N/A
Miranda	Malabanan	95127	San Jose	N/A
Misrayn	Mendoza	95121	San Jose	N/A
Moe	Dashti	95129	San Jose	N/A
morgan	mackles	95110	San Jose	N/A
Mridul	Jammalamadaka	95136	San Jose	N/A
nancy	sauder	95126	San Jose	N/A
Nancy	Attalla	95126	San Jose	N/A
Nicholas	Born	95128	San Jose	N/A
Nicole	Hammit	95113	San Jose	N/A
nicolette	tacy	95126	San Jose	N/A
Nikita	Patel	94539	Fremont	N/A
Nikita	Patel	94539	Fremont	N/A
Nipun	Sehrawat	95126	San Jose	N/A
Oscar	Yang	95112	San Jose	N/A
Oscar	Garcia	95112	San Jose	N/A
Otoniel	Barragan	95126	San Jose	N/A
Pauline	Block	95403	Santa Rosa	N/A
Peter	Warren	95126	San Jose	N/A
Peter	Menig	95113	San Jose	N/A
Prajakta	Bhounsule	95136	San Jose	N/A
Pratik	Kotkar	95136	San Jose	N/A
Rafael	Chan	95747	Roseville	N/A
ram		95113	San Jose	N/A
Ramnit	Sidhu	95209	Stockton	N/A
Rashmi	B	95113	San Jose	N/A
Ricardo	Benavidez	95127	San Jose	N/A

Robert	Smith	95112	San Jose	N/A
Robin	Belamaric	95125	San Jose	N/A
Roger	Hale	95113	San Jose	N/A
Roman	Perkis	95136	San Jose	N/A
Romit	Kusarye	95122	San Jose	N/A
S. Sayre	Batton	95113	San Jose	N/A
Samuel	Fries	95126	San Jose	N/A
Sana	Mahmood	60626	N/A	N/A
Sandeep	Nama	95050	Santa Clara	N/A
sandeep govind	dhoot	95113	San Jose	N/A
Sandra	Valdivia	95113	San Jose	N/A
Sandra	Benavidez	95125	San Jose	N/A
Sandy	Izumi	95113	San Jose	N/A
Sanket	Dave	94085	Sunnyvale	N/A
Sara	Ogilvie	94110	San Francis	N/A
sarah	garcia	95112	San Jose	N/A
Sarah	Mergy	94127	San Francis	N/A
Sayanan	Sivaraman	95112	San Jose	N/A
Scot	Conner	94123	San Francis	N/A
Serena	Malone	95126	San Jose	N/A
Shang	Tsuei	95126	San Jose	N/A
Shiwei	Li	95113	San Jose	N/A
Shomi	Arora	95126	San Jose	N/A
Shonali	Balakrishna	95126	San Jose	N/A
Silvia	Donohoe	95037	Morgan Hil	N/A
Sovanna	Lim	95113	San Jose	N/A
Srinivasu	Mandava	95126	San Jose	N/A
Stanley	Ma	95113	San Jose	N/A
Stephen	Truong	95110	San Jose	N/A
Stephen	Hsieh	95126	San Jose	N/A
Steve	Stugard	95112	San Jose	N/A
Suman	Patel	95113	San Jose	N/A
Sunit	Patel	95113	San Jose	N/A
Surabhi	Jain	95122	San Jose	N/A
Susan	Leone	95125	San Jose	N/A
Sushma	Manjunath	95113	San Jose	N/A
Swati	Kwatra	95126	San Jose	N/A
Teresa	Doong	95125	San Jose	N/A
Todd	Reidbord	15217	N/A	N/A
Tom	Tran	95121	San Jose	N/A
Tony	Gill	95110	San Jose	N/A
Tracy	Ward	95113	San Jose	N/A
Vasanti	Patel	95113	San Jose	N/A

VENU	TATA	95111 San Jose	N/A
Veronica	Douat	95125 San Jose	N/A
Vignesh	Karthikeyan	95136 San Jose	N/A
Vincent	Rocha	95110 San Jose	N/A
Vineet	Chaudhary	95110 San Jose	N/A
Vivie	Nguyen	94612 Oakland	N/A
Vrushank	Bhatt	95110 San Jose	N/A
Yachao	Shang	95110 San Jose	N/A
Yanet	Zepeda	95119 San Jose	N/A
Yona	Lu	94539 Fremont	N/A
Zach	Gilbert	95126 San Jose	N/A
Zhaokai	Wu	95110 San Jose	N/A
Michael	Stone	95126 San Jose	Please approve the Downtown West project and bring San Jose to the forefront of cities globally that will lead the new economy and prove that cities and San Jose desperately needs this!
Jesse	Adorno	95126 San Jose	So much support for this project! I live in San Jose in District 3 and have lived here for 6 years and I love this plan and think this will do so much for the city
Anne	Spicer	95112 San Jose	This is the best thing that has happened to San Jose in
Francois	Rodigari	95125 San Jose	This represented balanced mixed use development.
Brendan	Dunnigan	94118 San Francis	Please approve this incredible project and allow it to
Roland	Lebrun	95119 San Jose	This was an extraordinary process and I just cannot wait for the next phase of our partnership to extend
Mark	Coulson	95126 San Jose	This will be a great use of the area around the train station and move San Jose forward into the future. Go
Andrew	Nguyen	95125 San Jose	this will be good for west side of Downtown!
Delaram	Afshari	95136 San Jose	This will benefit our community and I 100% support,
Eric	Z	95128 San Jose	We love this project. Let's get it done!!
Aman	Diwakar	95136 San Jose	We support this project and its ambitious goals to provide affordable housing! Looking forward to seeing
Salvador	Lopez Uribe	95117 San Jose	Would be interested in the affordable homes
Rob	Katcher	95126 San Jose	Yes to Downtown West!
Myrna	Ortiz	94804 Richmond	Youth in San Jose also support this development!



April 8, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

The Housing Action Coalition is pleased to endorse Google's exemplary mixed-use project at Downtown West in San Jose. After a detailed presentation, the committee determined the project exceeds our high standards in addressing our region's affordability and displacement crisis.

The committee commends the project's excellent land use, as it will develop an underutilized 80 acre site with 4,000 new homes, more than seven million square feet of office space, 500k square feet of retail and community space, and 15 acres of parks, enhanced riparian habitat, and public plazas. The project will include or support the production of 1,000 below-market-rate homes (25% of total number of homes). This percentage is higher than the inclusionary housing ordinance requires and the committee commends Google for striving to incorporate a high percentage of BMR homes in such a large project.

The project site is adjacent to the SAP Center and Diridon Station, a major hub for Caltrain, VTA, and in the future, BART. This site is exceptionally well-located near both transit and amenities that will help limit car trips and thus reduce greenhouse gas emissions. To further complement the site's transit-oriented location, the project will provide 3,290 bike parking spaces, over 3.5 miles of new and improved bikeways, and more than 1.5 miles of new walkways and trail extensions. The project also includes 2,360 unbundled residential car parking spaces, an average of 0.6 spaces per home, plus an additional 4,800 spaces for the public. Given the abundance of transit next to Downtown West, we would ideally like to see less car parking and more bike spaces but we also understand feasibility concerns.

Beyond the environmental benefits that come with transit-oriented development, Downtown West highlights tremendous innovation in sustainability. Buildings will be equipped with 100% electric power, use recycled water, and contribute zero net emissions. Offices will be LEED Gold and residences will be LEED Silver. Included in Downtown West are 15 acres of parklands and open space which includes 4.25 acres of preserved and enhanced riparian habitat on Guadalupe and Los Gatos Creek. The committee admires the project team's dedication to sustainability, and believes that Downtown West will be a model of sustainable development in the future.

Downtown West's project team started community outreach in 2009, and has remained committed to transparency and public participation for more than a decade. This includes well over 100 community meetings and online conversations, resulting in more than 10,000 points of feedback. The project team has been responsive to community input and has put together an impeccable community benefits package. To go along with the environmental and climate benefits, the community benefits package is valued at \$200 million. It includes a first of its kind \$154.8 million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund targeted at housing, job accessibility and education programs for at-risk and underserved San Jose residents. The committee encourages the project team to promote viability for the retail spaces and

incentivize Google employees to frequent them. We also encourage the project team to continue engaging with the community to ensure Downtown West will benefit new and existing neighbors as well as Google employees.

Overall, we appreciate the project team's dedication to alleviating the impact on the nearby community. The team has demonstrated continued community involvement by amending plans that achieve the best possible housing outcomes and community open space. The committee encourages Google to continue engaging with labor groups to ensure quality construction and local job opportunities. We are proud to endorse Downtown West because it will provide well-designed and well-located homes that help alleviate the Bay Area's ongoing affordability and displacement crisis.

Sincerely,



Todd David, *Executive Director*

# Save Our Trails!



**Promoting trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all**

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo  
200 East Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor  
San José, CA 95113

SUBJECT: Input for the Downtown West project

May 18, 2021

Honorable Mayor Liccardo, members of the City Council, and staff:

**Save Our Trails: Connecting Santa Clara County Communities** is a California Not-for-Profit Corporation whose mission is *"To promote trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all."* SOT has important input into the plan for Downtown West to ensure the highest quality project, especially since Google has shown itself to be a very good neighbor and partner for San Jose.

Save Our Trails does have some concerns even though there are very positive elements of the plan. The overall design is open and airy, and while the public has access to the plazas and other amenities of the fifteen acres of park space, only five acres are actual city parks. We understand that Google can, and plans to, close all the POPOS (privately owned public open space, including The Meander) for days on end. We would like to seek confirmation that the Los Gatos Creek Trail and the various ways to access Diridon Station are public and will not be closed or impacted by private events.

Another area of concern is the at-grade crossing of The Los Gatos Creek Trail (LGCT) across Park Avenue and Montgomery Street. Google and the city are planning the biggest development that San Jose has ever seen and it seems like this particular crossing is an afterthought. Along the entire length of the LGCT, thousands of people use this trail every week and many will use it to commute to Diridon, this development, and North San Jose. Vehicular traffic on two thoroughfares would need to be stopped each time a trail user travels along that section of the trail, and we know this is likely to be a heavily trafficked section around Diridon. The campaign to daylight the creek under Montgomery was in part to allow for the trail to follow that route unimpeded by vehicular traffic. Now that it has been decided that daylighting won't happen, we are urging consideration for a bridge over Montgomery and Park to solve the problem of crossing these two very busy thoroughfares at grade.

In addition, we are thrilled that the city and Google have designed a spur for the LGCT to follow the railroad right of way after the tracks get raised for a direct connection to Diridon Station from the south. SOT would like DOT and Google to consider leaving Park Avenue below-grade where it is and keep the railroad bridge intact. This would not only allow the trail to cross above Park Avenue while remaining at grade but it would also create a large space that could be a nice place for new parkland. This could even be San Jose's smaller version of New York City's High Line.

Thanks to Google and to city staff for creating a design for the future of San Jose. Save Our Trails urges the city to consider this input into the plan for Downtown West.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Bill Rankin.

Bill Rankin President, **Save Our Trails**; Web: [www.saveourtrails-scc.org](http://www.saveourtrails-scc.org)



May 18, 2021

Honorable Mayor Sam Liccardo and City Council Members  
City of San José  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San José, CA 95113

**RE: Downtown West Mixed-Use Rezoning and Development Plan**

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council Members,

This letter is to express the California High Speed Rail Authority's (Authority) support for approval of Google's proposed Downtown West Mixed-Use Rezoning and Development Plan (Downtown West Plan).

The Authority wants to acknowledge and appreciate the years of City leadership it has taken to reach this far-reaching milestone in the transformation of the Diridon Station Area. The Downtown West plan embodies a shared City and Google commitment to create a vibrant, high-density, mixed-use urban destination that expands Downtown, adds new employment and housing, and promotes transit use and walkability. Approval of the Downtown West Plan achieves a long-sought after city goal to attract and partner with a preeminent Silicon Valley tech company to jointly master plan the future of the Diridon Station Area.

For the Authority, the Downtown West Plan demonstrates how investment in transportation infrastructure can attract district-scale land use change to shape a sustainable future for the State of California, attracting both employment and housing to a downtown station area.

We want to commend City staff, from all departments, whose dedication and collaboration supported our engagement on this transformative plan. There is still important work ahead of us to in how we build out the necessary transportation and rail improvements in collaboration with this city-building effort embodied in the Downtown West Project. However, we are encouraged by the important step you will be taking to make the vision of how we integrate land use and transportation a reality.

We want to thank you for the City of San José's support for the California High-Speed Rail program and our on-going partnership to deliver high-speed rail passenger service to San José and the Bay Area.

We look forward to our continuing collaboration with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Boris Lipkin.

Boris Lipkin  
Northern California Regional Director



**Michael E. Fox, Jr.**  
*President & CEO*

May 19, 2021

City Clerk Toni Taber  
[cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov)  
Sent via email

Dear City Clerk Taber,

I am writing in support of Google's Downtown West project. This project will provide a number of benefits to the city and residents of San Jose including an expansion of downtown while providing over 4000 new housing units, 25% affordable. This has the opportunity to impact our housing deficit in a significant way.

As you know Goodwill's mission is to provide employment training and opportunities to people with barriers to employment. Google's project would provide up to 25,000 jobs, many in the high paying construction industry. One Goodwill program, our pre-apprentice labor class, provides construction industry training for re-entry and people from generational poverty. The Downtown West Project would make a large positive impact on our ability to increase the hiring of people in our program.

All told Google's commitment to our community will result in approximately 200 million in community benefits.

I strongly urge you to support the Downtown West project.

Sincerely,



Michael E Fox, Jr.  
President & CEO  
Goodwill of Silicon Valley





# LiUNA! LOCAL 270

*Feel the Power*

**ENRIQUE ARGUELLO**  
Business Manager  
Secretary-Treasurer

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Subject: Support for Item 10.2 on the May 25 Agenda: Google Downtown West

To the Honorable Mayor Liccardo, Councilmembers and Staff

**LUIS ARGUELLO**  
Assistant Business Manager  
Recording Secretary

Re: Downtown West Mixed-use Plan

**FERNANDO AMBRIZ**  
President

My name is Enrique Arguello and I am the Business Manager of LiUNA Laborers Local 270. LiUNA Laborers Local 270 is chartered by the Laborers International Union of North America, AFL-CIO and has over 6,500 members most of which reside in San Jose. Through the collective voice of our membership, we promote the election of local, state and federal politicians who support legislation and government policy which is beneficial to working men and women. Today I am writing to you in **strong support** of the Downtown West Mixed-use Plan that will fill important needs in our community and generate significant and sustained economic benefits for residents of San José.

**HECTOR HEREDIA**  
Vice-President

**RENE CAMACHO**  
Executive Board

**GILBERTO RIVERA**  
Executive Board


**JOSE ARRIAGA**  
Executive Board

Downtown West will create more than 5,700 prevailing wage construction jobs with supplier diversity and local hire targets over a multi-year build-out. The planned 4,000 new homes in the Diridon Station Area and support of 25% affordable homes for families with a range of incomes can provide opportunities for people to live near their place of work. Creation of a \$150+ million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund focused on social equity and led by community can help provide a foundation for our residents' long-term success. The 15 acres of public parks and open space with free year-round programming will contribute to a vibrant, healthy environment for community members.

The proposed project is necessary to further the City of San Jose and community's near term and future goals and aspirations for our families. **We respectfully request the City Council to support the Downtown West project in its entirety.**

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support.

Respectfully,

  
Enrique Arguello  
Business Manager  
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May 20, 2021  
**Via e-mail Only**

TO: Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council  
City of San José

Subject: **Support for Downtown West Mixed Use Project**

It is a rare occasion when a local governing body gets the opportunity to make a real difference in the future of a city. The Downtown West Mixed Use Project by Google is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to shape the future of our community.

Ever since announcing its intention to develop a project in San José, Google has inspired countless businesses, residents and investors to sit up and take notice, and in some cases alter course to align with the visionary concept that is now coming into sharp focus. To those who cast a critical eye, Google listened and acted – addressing the concerns and even going beyond. The updated version features 4,000 new homes, over \$150 Million in community and opportunity funds, 15 acres of public parks and open space, and almost 6,000 prevailing wage construction jobs. Everything about the project is in orders of magnitude above and beyond what otherwise might have developed in this area if left to a piece-by-piece effort.

Of course, there will be challenges and construction disruption, but when viewed in combination with the development of the Diridon transit hub and other improvements, the Downtown West Mixed Use Project presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to create the synergy for a successful future for the City of San José and its residents. As a business owner and as a resident of Downtown San José for the past 35 years, I urge you to take the bold step to help make this vision a reality.

Very truly yours,



Jeffrey B. Hare

cc: Ricardo Benavidez



Clerk of San Jose [city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov)

RE: May 25, 2021 Meeting Agenda Item 10.2 Diridon Station Area Plan

South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition has worked closely with Google for several years and they have demonstrated their commitment to the Downtown Neighborhood and our Watershed in a number of ways during this partnership.

- They supported our efforts to activate the old Ranger Station on Santa Clara Street both monetarily and through support from their Staff.
- Prior to COVID, Google employees regularly attended our Cleanups and we look forward to their participation at future events.
- This past year alone, Google funded a River Cleanup series (12 Events) along the Guadalupe River and Los Gatos Creek which resulted in removal of just under 17 tons of trash from our local Waterways.

We believe Google has proven to be great environmental stewards of our urban environment and we believe that will be the case in the future as the Diridon Station Area Plan development progresses.


We very much support the upgrading of our Central Park Downtown San Jose with it's additional 15 acres of park and community space. We hope to see our waterways, especially in the Downtown Area benefiting from this partnership with Google.

We applaud the good citizenship Google has demonstrated with their thoughtful and considerate plans for the DSAP:

- 1,000 affordable housing units in the Diridon Station Area Plan to relieve the housing shortage for essential support workers.
- \$150+ million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund rooted in social equity and community participation
- Giving a hand up to people in our community by training construction workers for the 5,700+ prevailing wage construction jobs with supplier diversity and local hire targets
- 15 acres of public parks and open space with free year-round programming to enhance the Guadalupe River Park area.
- Zero net new carbon emissions and 2,280 new trees

We urge the San Jose City Council to approve the Diridon Station Area Plan so we can realize the many benefits of this initiative.

Sincerely,

  
Steve Holmes, Executive Director  
South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition





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May 20, 2021

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City of San José  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
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**RE: Item 10.2 - Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan**

**Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers Jimenez, Peralez, Cohen, Carrasco, Davis, Esparza, Arena, Foley, and Mahan.**

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, we express our support for the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan. This transformative proposal by Google will bring 7.3 million square feet of office space, over 5,700 prevailing wage construction jobs, 4,000 new homes (1,000 of them affordable), and 15 acres of parks, in addition to an unprecedented \$200 million community benefits package to San José.

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group, founded in 1978 by David Packard of Hewlett-Packard, represents hundreds of Silicon Valley's most respected employers. We focus on issues, programs, and campaigns that affect the economic quality of life in Silicon Valley. Collectively, Leadership Group members provide nearly one out of every three private sector jobs in Silicon Valley and contribute more than \$3 trillion to the global economy.

**The Downtown West Mixed-Use plan before you is the successful outcome of years of thoughtful community engagement** with over 100 impactful community meetings, including neighborhood walks and over 3,000 in person touch points. This has resulted in careful land use planning and collaboration that will bring economic and other public benefits to San José residents.

Community benefits resulting from this outreach are designed to start early and continue well into the future. These benefits include a first-of-its-kind \$154.8 million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways fund that will be community-led and expertly managed; resulting in affordable housing, education, job training, and much more.

This project will support a number of popular benefits for residents and businesses. That is why in a recent SVLG poll 70% of San José voters from every part of the city support this project. When asked about the proposal's components 87% of residents were in favor of the 25,000 new jobs that will be created, 80% in favor of investments in transportation infrastructure, and 82% supported the 15 acres of parks and open space this project will create.

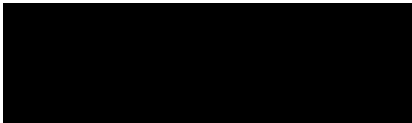
**As a member of the Diridon Station Area Advisory Group we advocated alongside local residents for the core tenets of good planning to be implemented in this plan.** We spoke about how building jobs and housing near transit is essential for our communities, our climate, and for stronger, more vibrant downtowns. Having listened to stakeholders Google ensured Downtown West leverages the proximity to Diridon Station to create the "15-minute city" San José residents deserve, with bikeways and trail segments to bring benefits for the environment and workers in a way that will reduce traffic and greenhouse gas emissions and enhance overall health and quality of life.

With Diridon Station, envisioned as the future “Grand Central Station of the West,” this development will be located near an almost unparalleled multi-modal transit hub, including high-quality public transit services such as Caltrain, VTA, High-Speed Rail, BART, and more. This will allow those who work and live at Downtown West transit access to the entire Bay Area and beyond, and bring visitors in an efficient and environmentally friendly way.

This proposal is transformative for San José, including what San José staff have calculated as \$1 billion of value in voluntary project features, in addition to \$200 million in negotiated community benefits. From creating a model of community and stakeholder engagement to incorporating environmental sustainability, innovative development, housing affordability, and transit-friendly design, it hits all the marks for a proposal that is truly in its own league.

For these reasons, the Leadership Group is proud to support the Downtown West Mixed-Use plan before you.

Sincerely,



Vince Rocha  
Senior Director, Housing and Community Development  
Silicon Valley Leadership Group



May 20, 2021

San Jose City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA 95113

**RE: Support for Google's Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan**

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council,

The Bay Area Council is a public policy advocacy organization working to support civic and business leaders in solving our region's most challenging issues. On behalf of the more than 350 members of the Council, I write in support of Google's proposed Downtown West development in San Jose.

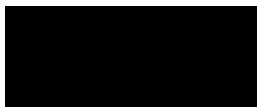
The Downtown West project is an unprecedented opportunity for economic and community development that will transform 80 acres surrounding the Diridon Station transportation hub in San Jose. The project proposes to create over 4,000 housing units, a quarter of which will be affordable, and will build 7.3 million square feet of office space, creating a jobs center directly adjacent to housing and transit. Additionally, Downtown West includes 500,000 square feet of retail, cultural, and arts space and 15 acres of public parks and open space with free year-round programming.

Google has also committed over \$150 million for a Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund that will provide significant support for anti-displacement, homelessness, and affordable housing efforts and is proposing up to \$45 million in other community benefits, including a \$7.5 million early payment to the City. This substantial investment in the community goes far beyond what developers are typically able to contribute to a project and is an opportunity that should not be missed.

We are also impressed by Downtown West's commitment to sustainability by pursuing zero net new carbon emissions, LEED Gold or Platinum certification, and restoring nearby wildlife habitats. Its proximity to public transportation and jobs will help reduce transportation related emissions and make the project one of the most sustainable communities of its kind.

Downtown West is an excellent opportunity for dense, mixed-use development directly adjacent to transit and within a downtown context to grow the supply of housing, jobs, and reduce our dependence on cars. This is a clear example of sustainable and inclusive growth for future generations and we encourage you to support it.

Sincerely,



Matt Regan  
Senior Vice President, Bay Area Council



May 20, 2021

City of San Jose City, Council  
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RE: Support for Downtown West zoning, environmental and General Plan amendments

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council members,

Onwards -- and with the heights and densities in Downtown West -- definitely upwards.

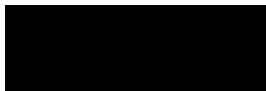
While the project's 7.3 million square feet of office space, 4,000 housing units (25 percent affordable) and 15 acres of parks and open spaces have grabbed most of the attention, the San Jose Downtown Association would like to highlight how the Downtown West plan will strengthen neighborhoods by directly investing in initiatives co-created by community members during a two year public outreach process. For example, the Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund (\$154.8 million) and the Community Benefits (\$45 million) will be crucial to the initial and on-going investment to our community as these funds will be released in timely tranches.

One such initiative will focus on small business resiliency, entrepreneurship and ways to help small businesses make Downtown West a home. Google will work directly with businesses on the ground floor design of Downtown West to ensure their proximity is central to the project's new open spaces. Half of the developable parts of the site will go to non-office uses – housing mostly – but 500,000 square feet is planned for “active” spaces. Those spaces include food, drink, retail, cultural, arts and education uses.

Downtown West will strive to create a “15-minute city” where work, home, shopping, entertainment and recreational uses are all situated within a 15-minute walk. The project also will invest in a greener future in terms of net-zero emissions, ecology and mobility infrastructure – in essence, the equivalent of removing 4,100 cars from traffic and powering 1,500 homes using solar energy.

The necessary land use updates, certifications and approvals before you are a critical milestone as we embrace a new vision for San Jose that integrates neighborhoods, nature, equity and economic growth.

Sincerely,



Scott Knies  
Executive Director

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May 20th, 2021

City Council  
City of San José  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
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Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Councilmembers Arenas, Cohen, Davis, Carrasco, Esparza, Foley, Jimenez, Mahan, and Peralez:

**RE: Downtown West Proposal and Development Agreement**

On behalf of Silicon Valley at Home and our members, we are writing to express our support for Google's Downtown West proposal for Diridon Station. As a member of the Station Area Advisory Group (SAAG), SV@Home has been actively involved in all community engagement and policy development efforts around Diridon from the very beginning. We believe that the Google Team has remained committed to this engagement throughout this process, and deserves credit for the broad support they will receive. We would like to especially thank San José city staff for all of their hard work to make the Downtown West Development Agreement possible as well as all of the members of the community who have shaped this project.

SV@Home is especially excited about the residential components of Google's proposal, which will bring 4,000 new homes alongside new office space, neighborhood-serving retail, open space, and bike-ped infrastructure, creating the vibrant district we all want to see at Diridon. Of the 4,000 new homes, 25% of them will be deed-restricted affordable to lower and moderate income families. We are supportive of Google's approach to achieving these 1,000 affordable homes through a combination of land dedication and some on-site inclusionary. As the City Council knows well, land is always one of the most challenging pieces of the development puzzle for affordable housing developers, and by dedicating land developers can access more funding and create more affordable homes.

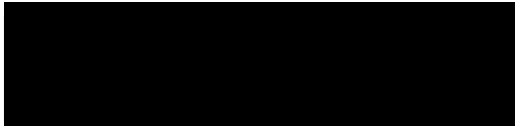
We want to highlight Google's commitment to front-loading key pieces of the affordable housing development, including the dedication of their first affordable housing parcel soon after overall project approval. This first parcel dedication would be an important opportunity for San José to partner with Santa Clara County to leverage Measure A funds to reach the deepest levels of affordability and help our neediest neighbors. Making this a reality, however, will require that the San José City Council and Staff make it a priority. While we appreciate, and support Google's recommendation to ensuring there will be funding in place to support these standalone affordable developments through the allocation of Commercial Linkage Fees, this and other policy decisions will require City action and commitment to meeting ambitious timelines and goals for affordable development in the Station Area. Early resources for the development of the Autumn Street site should be a high priority.



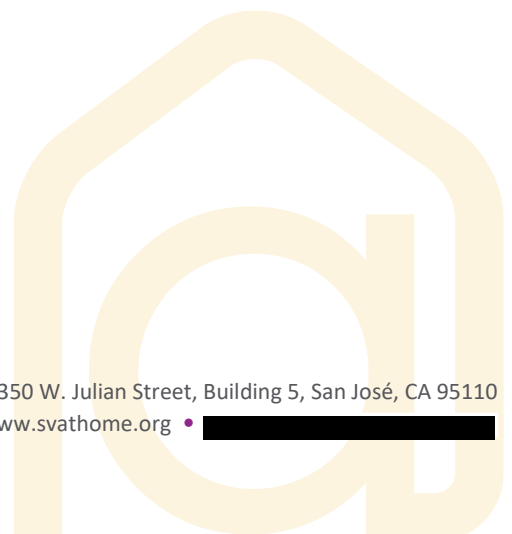
Additionally, we are excited to support Google's commitment to provide a total of \$200 million in funding to the community, including \$154.8 million for the new Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathway Fund. This Fund will provide real resources for affordable housing production, preservation, and housing stability/tenant protection in addition to addressing other community needs. This is a critical step towards an inclusive partnership with the people of San José, and a realization of the consensus that this project offers an opportunity to respond to the breadth of needs facing the city as it continues to grow. The fact that the community will have a say in how the funds will be used over time is an important and innovative component of this Fund. However, realizing the broadly shared goal of mitigating displacement has become an immediate and pressing need as the city works through the impact of the pandemic. Targeted early resources should prioritize these needs. That is why we are supportive of the recent progress staff has made on allocating some of these early resources for COVID response legal assistance and initial support for a community land trust.

**Google's Downtown West proposal will catalyze additional much-needed residential development throughout the Station Area and we urge the City Council to move it forward.** However, it is important to note that the proposal is just a part of the entire Station Area and the concomitant approval of the amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP) will lay out the ground rules for development across the entire 240-acre area, including overall development capacity, heights, and the Affordable Housing Implementation Plan. We have included more comments about the greater DSAP plan in an accompanying letter.

Sincerely,



Leslye Corsiglia  
Executive Director



# FW: Input on Item 10.2 (Downtown West) of the 5/25 Council Agenda

Han, James <[redacted]>

Fri 5/21/2021 7:57 AM

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Sincerely,

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Carlin Black

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Subject: Templo La Hermosa - Support for Item 10.2 on the May 25 Agenda:  
Google Downtown West

To the Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council

Re: Downtown West Mixed-use Plan

Templo La Hermosa strongly supports the Downtown West Mixed-use Plan that will fill important needs in our community and generate significant and sustained economic benefits for residents of San José.

Templo La Hermosa is a Hispanic church in San Jose Ca funded in 1950 and it's integrated by 100+ families from different Countries and with second and third generation of energetic youth and children.

Downtown West will create more than 5,700 prevailing wage construction jobs with supplier diversity and local hire targets over a multi-year build-out. And, the planned 4,000 new homes in the Diridon Station Area and support of 25% affordable homes for families with a range of incomes can provide opportunities for people to live near their place of work. Creation of a \$150+ million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund focused on social equity and led by community can help provide a foundation for our residents' long term success. The 15 acres of public parks and open space with free year-round programming and the project's sustainability goal of zero net new carbon emissions will also contribute to a vibrant, healthy environment for community members.

The proposed project is necessary to further the City and community's near term and future goals and aspirations for our families. **We respectfully request the City Council to support the Downtown West project in its entirety.**

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support.

*Todo lo puedo en Cristo que me fortalece*

*I can do anything in Jesus who strengthens me Fil. 4:13*

**Fw: Google Downtown West**

City Clerk &lt;[REDACTED]&gt;

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**From:** margaret.ma@a.ne t <margaret.ma@a.ne t>**Sent:** Friday, May 21, 2021 11:04 AM**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>**Subject:** Google Downtown West

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I am writing this letter to support Google's Downtown West development, which I understand is up for review before the City Council on May 25. I have lived just a half mile south of the development area for the past two decades and have watched the area around Diridon Station be underutilized for years. I am looking forward to the building of Downtown West and plan to walk there to partake in the many public amenities that are currently in the plan.

I also have a personal interest in the development. My ancestor, Harold Hellwig, built his brick Iron Works building at 150 S. Montgomery Street in 1935, and it is now squarely located in the Downtown West development area. I have followed the plans for Downtown West since October 2019 to ensure the Iron Works building continued to be shown as preserved. It was. I contacted Google's outreach team in April 2021 to ask if I could share with them what I know of the history of The Harold Hellwig Iron Works building. Google immediately agreed, and I and my cousin, Christian Hellwig of Mill Valley, CA, met virtually with two of the Downtown West team members in May. They listened enthusiastically to what we had to say, and I am very pleased with Google's commitment to honoring my ancestor's small part in San Jose history by preserving the Iron Works building and incorporating it into the design as much as is reasonably possible.

For these reasons, I support approval of the Downtown West project by the San Jose City Council.

Regards,

Margaret Ma

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**SPUR**

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May 21, 2021

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City of San José  
200 E. Santa Clara Street  
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**Subject: Item 10.2 - Downtown West Mixed Use Development**

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones and Councilmembers:

SPUR believes strongly in San José and embraces a dynamic, forward-looking vision for the city that reinforces downtown as its economic and social hub. Downtown development is not only an opportunity to grow San José's jobs base and housing supply, but also to build a great city that provides economic opportunity, cultural amenities and open spaces and recreational areas that directly benefit all residents and improve our quality of life.

To that end, we have supported the partnership between the City of San José and Google from its inception. The project that has emerged is a critical step in bringing to fruition the City's vision of a large, world-class, fully integrated and transit-oriented mixed-use development in our city center.

The Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan, accompanying Design Standards and Guidelines, and Community Benefits Agreement include many of the policy recommendations SPUR has made and embody the dreams and aspirations expressed by the community over the past nearly three years and we support them.

The commitment to bring 4,000 homes and up to 30,000 jobs, along with a firm commitment to provide affordable housing, protect against displacement, and provide new public spaces, recognize the special importance of this place in our city and in the region and represents a leading commitment to equitable and sustainable growth.

**Parking**

While parking is often a point of contention, San Jose is already one of the most overparked cities in California. In our view, the Diridon Station Area must maximize access for people, not cars. Additionally, we have to do everything we can to ensure the success of these transit investments in downtown, not undercut them. Building on



precedents like LA Live, Sacramento's Golden 1 Center and Brooklyn's Barclays Center, the home of the Sharks could embrace its urban context as a value proposition, emphasizing public transit and its location next to Diridon Station.

It's absolutely possible for a mixed-use downtown environment and the SAP Center to coexist - and not just coexist, but thrive. Other Bay Area stadiums have embraced their local context and have leveraged the public transit and mobility options urban areas offer, providing free transit passes with ticket purchases, bike valet, smart parking, and innovative stadium apps. The question is whether the SAP Center wants to urbanize and lean into new revenue and operating models like other forward-looking sports venues and cities, i.e. Chase Center in San Francisco. With that said, the SAP center must be allowed to urbanize and modernize, and we trust the city will work with stakeholders to ensure this arena continues to be a catalyst for San Jose well into the future.

### **Environmental Sustainability**

In our view, the proposed development reflects in its physical form, layout and design, a real commitment to environmental sustainability. These sustainable design standards and features should be extended throughout the station area and beyond.

We are also highly supportive of the use of recycled water for the project. As we mentioned in our March 24 letter to the Council, we encourage the city to carefully consider whether to ask Google to pay at least in part for an extension of the municipal recycled water main to their property, even if they make use of decentralized district recycled water on their property. There could be future occupants of the property who will not have the technical capacity to operate their own district recycled water system; having a connection to municipal recycled water will ensure that the property will have a long-term supply of recycled water. In addition, expanding the city's distribution system for recycled water is expensive, and the city should look to public-private partnerships as a key strategy to fund the expansion of the system. A more extensive distribution system for recycled water will allow other nearby property owners to connect to recycled water in addition to Google.

### **Community Benefits Plan**

Having a development partner that has committed to making direct investments in sustainable and resilient infrastructure, transit- and downtown-supporting jobs, thousands of housing units - 25% of which will be affordable - complete streets, and inviting public spaces is too important to not put our full weight behind.

The work done by City staff and Google over the past three years has kept in view at all times the long-term social and fiscal health of San José and its people. As we grapple with housing affordability problems and displacement of low-income households and the need for greater racial equity and inclusion in our city, the proposed development serves



as a model for human-centered design and policies that elevate and reinforce San José's history, economy, culture and diversity and lead us toward a more equitable model of shared prosperity.

We fully support the Council's and Google's commitment to a Community Benefits Plan and creation of a Community Stabilization and Opportunities Pathways Fund that includes funding for affordable housing, displacement prevention and community stabilization programs, educational opportunities and job training.

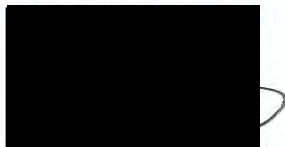
### **Equitable and Sustainable Urbanism**

While Silicon Valley is world-renowned for great innovation breakthroughs, such innovation has, unfortunately, yet to translate into the urban landscape and physical design of our buildings, surrounding public realm and associated public benefits. The Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan represents not only an opportunity to grow San José's jobs base and increase the supply of housing, but also to build a world-class city by delivering more equitable and sustainable development that includes ample green and open spaces, parks and plazas.

Great urbanism does not just fall into place but is created through policies that set a high bar and development partners who are willing to meet the challenge. We called on the Council to be diligent in holding Google as well as all future development within the Diridon Station Area to the most ambitious principles of equity, smart growth and great urban design.

The Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan and Design Standards and Guidelines meet and surpass our expectations and the community can be proud of the project that is being proposed. It is responsive to community input, needs, priorities and visions and represents exactly the kind of development proposal we had hoped to see.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covers the signature of Fred Bužo. A small, faint mark is visible to the right of the box.

Fred Bužo  
San José Director  
SPUR





**The Kelsey**

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San Francisco, CA 94103  
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**Transmitted via email**

May 21, 2021

Re: Support for Downtown West

Honorable Mayor Sam Liccardo and Members of the City Council  
City of San José  
200 East Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor  
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Councilmembers Arenas, Davis, Carrasco, Cohen, Foley, Jimenez, Mahan, and Peralez.

On behalf of The Kelsey, we would like to express our support for Downtown West.

At The Kelsey, we pioneer disability-forward housing solutions that open doors to more affordable homes and opportunities for everyone. We have 240 homes in our pipeline and lead organizing and advocacy initiatives to support market conditions to make inclusive housing the norm. Most recently, we are grateful for your support and investment in The Kelsey Ayer Station, the mixed-income, mixed-ability 115 unit development at 447 N. First Street.

As The Kelsey Ayer Station breaks ground later this year, we believe that Downtown West's public benefits have the potential to create a more inclusive city. Specifically, the development of 4,000 new homes, with 25% of them being affordable, will provide housing to diverse residents in the Diridon Station Area. We would like to recommend that as Downtown West

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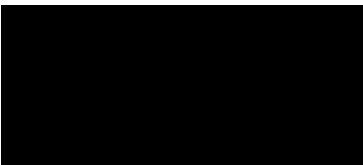
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proceeds, the voices and housing needs of people with disabilities and people with extremely low incomes are included in the development process. This can be done through incorporating a focus of accessibility, disability inclusion, and/or deep affordability. We also recommend that providing amenities such as transit-passes for residents can increase ridership and public investment in our vital public transit systems from which the future residents of The Kelsey Ayer Station will also benefit. Moreover, as the Community Stabilization & Opportunity Pathway Fund will prioritize San José communities who have been affected by structural racism and displacement, we want to ensure that people of color with disabilities are explicitly included in the planning and roll out. The Kelsey would be happy to provide further information and/or recommendations throughout the planning process.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to the opportunities that Downtown West can provide to San Jose, including to people with disabilities of all income levels, backgrounds and identities.

Sincerely,



Micaela Connery  
Founder & CEO  
The Kelsey

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May 20, 2021

Dear Mayor and City Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Alameda Business Association, (ABA) a nonprofit organization promoting small businesses and vibrancy along The Alameda, we are writing to support the approval of the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan.

As a member of the Station Area Advisory Group, the ABA has been participating in the process where Google, the City and community stakeholders worked together to develop a cohesive plan for the project. We believe Google has engaged the community thoroughly and will be a good neighbor. We want to thank city staff for their professionalism and diligence in bringing the project to this point.

Please approve Item 10.2, the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan.

Sincerely,

Dan Mountsier  
Alameda Business Association



May 21, 2021

To City of San Jose City Council,

Little Italy San Jose would like to send a letter of support for the Downtown West Mixed Use plan. The opportunity to master plan an underutilized and underdeveloped section of San Jose that will become an extension of Downtown is a great opportunity for the City of San Jose, downtown businesses and stakeholders. Having Google as the partner to bring this to fruition will bring tremendous growth and cement San Jose as the Capital of Silicon Valley. Google has been a great partner thus far and is listening to concerns of affordable housing, social equity, historic preservation and the addition of public parks.

As President of Little Italy San Jose, we have been working with Ricardo and others in regards to preserving and moving the historic home and Poor House Bistro business to our Little Italy San Jose Cultural center site and appreciate the efforts and generosity of Google to save this historic building and we are embarking on substantial efforts to complete our construction of the Little Italy Museum & Cultural Center that will also feature this historic home as a new Venetian Carnevale/Mardi Gras Restaurant.

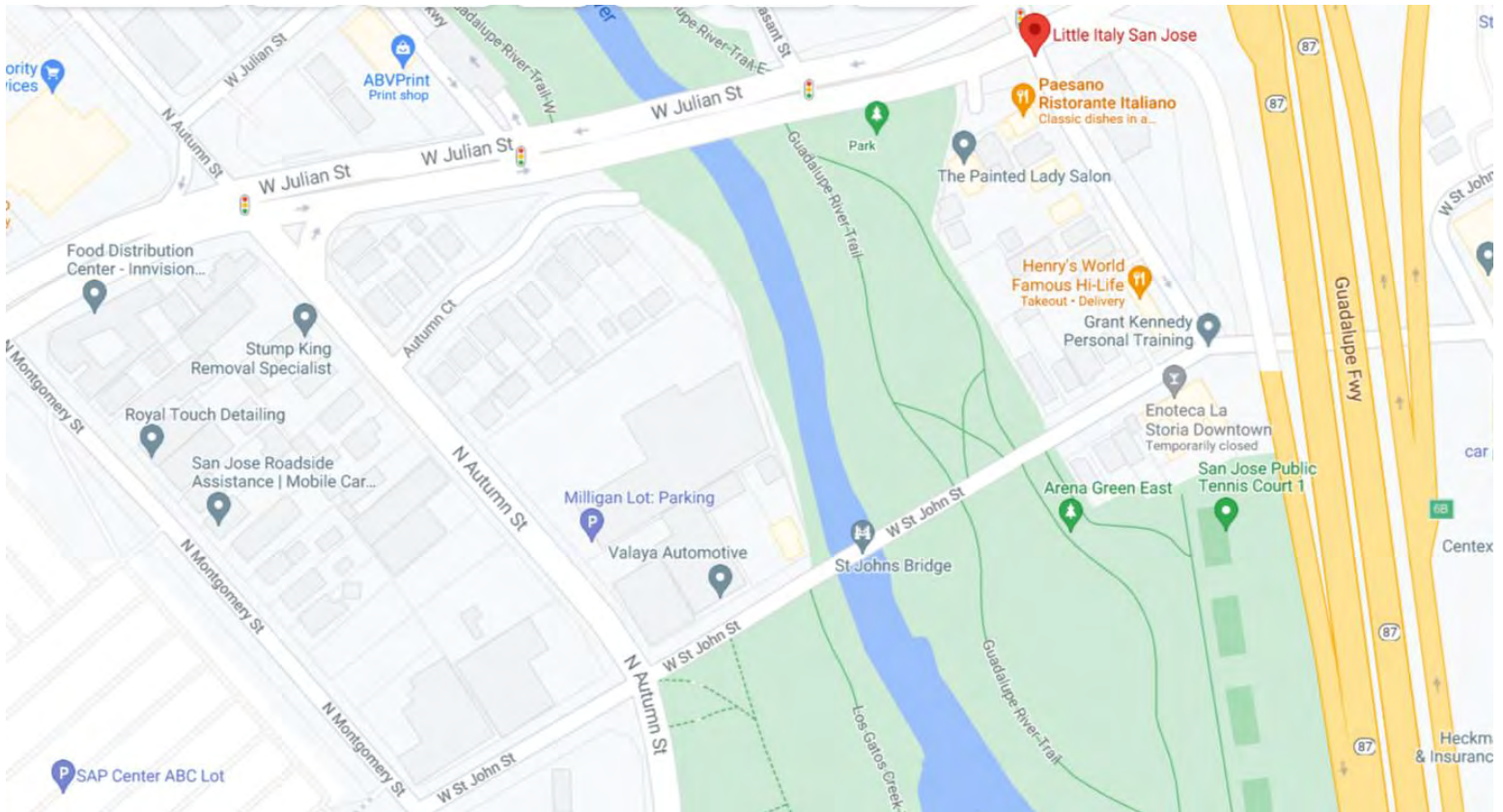
Our only constructive comment is to urge Google and City of San Jose staff to work with existing established districts in this area such as Little Italy San Jose. Doing so is an opportunity to build on the theme and efforts that have already been in place to place mark an area and create housing and commercial opportunities/public spaces that fit into that particular theme.

In particular any properties owned by Google or the City of San Jose between Julian street and Santa Clara street and crossing N. Montgomery, Autumn and Autumn Court are an opportunity to expand on the footprint of Little Italy San Jose and create viable commercial, housing and office use developments that can be master planned with the support of Little Italy San Jose, GRPG and the SAP center.

We know there are numerous project in the works in this project area and hope this area could be officially considered as "Little Italy" instead of expansion of homeless program projects and affordable housing. Italian Banquet hall at Forman's Gym/Valaya Racing on Autumn/Saint John, Italian American Senior Housing/Italian Restaurant mix use, Bocce courts in the Guadalupe Park and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Gateway arch are all concepts we hope could be explored.



Here is a map of the area that we hope could be considered “Little Italy San Jose” in our continued efforts to make this area a destination for the City of San Jose and tourists to our City. We understand there are many other stakeholders and projects such as the Autumn Street connection and potential parking garage to consider, and we also ask that you think of Little Italy. This can only happen with the support of the City of San Jose and Google as the primary land owners of all the properties in this potential expansion.



Joshua DeVincenzi Melander  
President - Little Italy San Jose  
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To:

5/18/21

San Jose City Council

I am writing this letter in offer of my support for the Downtown West Development.

My business called Poor House Bistro is located at 91 S. Autumn Street and has been in operation at this location for over 16 years. Due to the sale of the property by my family, it was understood that the business and house would eventually have to be relocated to make way for the future development. I approached Google with the idea of moving the house to another location in order to keep the business in operation and preserve the historic Victorian house. They were very receptive and are helping in the efforts with the move and the building of a new foundation located in "Little Italy" San Jose. In addition, Google is exploring the idea of letting the Poor House Bistro use the existing property at 91 S. Autumn Street for food and beverage service with a Food Truck, temporarily, until the house is ready for operation at 317 W. St. John Street in "Little Italy."

I feel that the Downtown West Development will definitely increase the amount of foot traffic around the Diridon Train Station and SAP Center. More people walking about the area would be great for existing, small and new local businesses. Downtown needs to grow and this Downtown West Development is the answer to making San Jose a strong and vibrant city where people can work and play in the location.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jay Meduri

President

Poor House Bistro, Inc

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May 24, 2021

San Jose City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA  
*Via email*

RE: Diridon Station Area Plan

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the San Jose City Council,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we are writing to express concern over the distinct differences between the standards, guidelines and overall quality of the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan (Google Plan) and those of the Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP). As stated in the attached letter from our organizations, we are in support of the Google Plan. Google has been responsive to many of our suggestions and requests regarding riparian setbacks, protecting and enhancing nature and habitat along the creeks, and embracing a California native plant palette that includes locally native trees such as oaks and sycamores. Downtown West has been designed to stay consistent with policies and guidelines around Los Gatos Creek and the Guadalupe River, and to allow people to enjoy nature along the creeks. However, the same is not true of the DSAP. While we applaud the City's commitment to infill development as a strategy to meet climate goals and conserve important landscapes, the DSAP simply does not provide the same level of benefits and protections for the community and the environment in the downtown area that the Downtown West Google Plan affords.

We ask that the City work with the community to adjust the environmental and development standards to include minimum creek setbacks, building setbacks, improve lighting and bird safety requirements and guidelines, and provide adequate parks and open space that are needed to create the thriving and healthy community that the City and its residents strive for.

Sincerely,

Alice Kaufman, Legislative Advocacy Director  
Green Foothills



Shani Kleinhaus, Environmental Advocate  
Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society



Dave Poeschel, Open Space Committee Chair  
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Linda Ruthruff, Conservation Chair  
California Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Valley Chapter





**SIERRA CLUB**  
LOMA PRIETA CHAPTER



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CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

May 17, 2021

To: Mayor Liccardo and members of the San Jose City Council

Re: Support for Item 10.2 on the May 25 Agenda: Google Downtown West Plan

The Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter, the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, the California Native Plant Society Santa Clara Valley Chapter and Green Foothills write in support of the Google Downtown West Plan and its associated Development Agreement between Google and the City of San Jose.

For decades, our organizations have advocated for the preservation of the open landscapes of Santa Clara County and our native flora and fauna. At the same time, we promoted good urban planning that focuses density in the urban core, prevents displacement, protects riparian ecosystems, integrates native trees and shrubs into urban design, and promotes sustainability. More recently, we have been advocating for climate action and resilience, adaptation to sea level rise, and transit-focused mixed-use development. Google's Downtown West Plan accomplishes many of these elements. We are pleased to see the long-term vision of incorporating nature into the public urban environment and the building of a vibrant, walkable, planned community coming to life in the City of San Jose.

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The project is a downtown-focused and transit-focused mixed-use development — the right thing for San José, as the creation of jobs and housing downtown contributes to climate action and resilience, and allows for the protection of open space, as in Coyote Valley.

Respectfully,

David W. Poeschel  
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Cc: James Eggers  
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Hello,

I feel passionately about the approval of Downtown West in order to facilitate new housing in a well-designed space, to promote the urbanization of the Bay's largest city, and to foster the right conditions for a thriving and expanding public transit system. Do support public transit and don't increase parking. Please approve for these and the below-listed reasons!

Dear City Council,

I urge you to approve Downtown West and its Development Agreement to create a transformational, vibrant, transit-oriented neighborhood at Diridon Station. Below are some reasons why this project should be approved along with a few small improvements I'd ask you to consider.

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Thank you for considering my perspective.

Sincerely,  
Andrew

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Thank you for considering my perspective.

Sincerely,

Dr Méline Joaris  
Vendome neighborhood

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**From:** Hill, Shannon  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 8:00 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Cc:** Downtown West Project; Severino, Lori; Manford, Robert; Keyon, David; Tu, John; Han, James  
**Subject:** FW: Input on Item 10.2 (Downtown West) of the 5/25 Council Agenda

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street  
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**From:** Damon Civin <[Redacted]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 23, 2021 12:20 PM  
**To:** Han, James <[Redacted]>; Zenk, Jessica <[Redacted]>; Severino, Lori <[Redacted]>; Lomio, Michael <[Redacted]>; Hughey, Rosalynn <[Redacted]>; Jones, Chappie <[Redacted]>; Ramos, Christina M <[Redacted]>; Chang, Chu <[Redacted]>; Cohen, David <[Redacted]>; Keyon, David <[Redacted]>; Tran, David <[Redacted]>; Davis, Dev <[Redacted]>; District1 <[Redacted]>; District 10 <[Redacted]>; District2 <[Redacted]>; District3 <[Redacted]>; District4 <[Redacted]>; District5 <[Redacted]>; District 6 <[Redacted]>; District7 <[Redacted]>; District8 <[Redacted]>; District9 <[Redacted]>; Eidlin, Eric <[Redacted]>; Morales-Ferrand, Jacky <Jacky.Morales-[Redacted]>; Ferguson, Jerad <[Redacted]>; jessie <[Redacted]>; Tu, John <[Redacted]>; Ruano, Jose <[Redacted]>; Kline, Kelly <[Redacted]>; Clements, Kristen <[Redacted]>; Carrasco, Magdalena <[Redacted]>; Groen, Mary Anne <[Redacted]>; Mahan, Matt <[Redacted]>; Quevedo, Matthew <[Redacted]>; Esparza, Maya <[Redacted]>; Klein, Nanci <[Redacted]>; Ho, Nathan <[Redacted]>; Burnham, Nicolle <[Redacted]>; Foley, Pam <[Redacted]>; plan.review <[Redacted]>; VanderVeen, Rachel <[Redacted]>; Peralez, Raul <[Redacted]>; Manford, Robert <[Redacted]>; Liccardo, Sam <[Redacted]>; Jimenez, Sergio <[Redacted]>; Hill, Shannon <[Redacted]>; Arenas, Sylvia <[Redacted]>; Rood, Timothy <[Redacted]>; Mendez, Zacharias <[Redacted]>

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**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Support for 10.2: 21-1186 - Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan  
**Attachments:** 2021 Downtown West Plan.pdf

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**From:** Jason Su <[REDACTED]>  
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**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]>  
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**Cc:** Marguerite Lee <[REDACTED]> Cicirelli, Jon <[REDACTED]> Burnham, Nicolle <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Support for 10.2: 21-1186 - Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

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Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

Please see the letter of support from the Guadalupe River Park Conservancy for the May 25 City Council Agenda 10.2: 21-1186 - Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan.

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**Jason Su**  
Executive Director | [Guadalupe River Park Conservancy](#)  
438 Coleman Ave, San Jose, CA 95110  
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March 22, 2021

San Jose City Council  
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Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

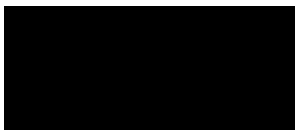
The Guadalupe River Park Conservancy (GRPC) is the City's non-profit partner providing community leadership for the active use and development of the Guadalupe River Park. We believe in and pursue the vision for the Guadalupe River Park and Gardens as identified in the San Jose Envision 2040 General Plan, Guadalupe River Park Master Plan, and Guadalupe Gardens Master Plan. It is with this lens that GRPC offers their support of the staff recommendations Google's Downtown West Project.

There are many key elements of the Project that align with the goals and values of GRPC. We particularly commend the investments in social equity, affordable housing, urban density and mixed-use neighborhoods, increase in urban tree canopy, new parks and public spaces, and highlighting the Los Gatos Creek. The Social Infrastructure Plan is also remarkable and needs to be part of standard consideration of all planning and civic development initiatives in our city.

As the Project progresses through the next phases of development, we look forward to engagement with the Google development team to continue to prioritize thriving ecosystems, stewardship of nearby public resources, fostering public life, and reinforcing connections between the Project and the community.

The Downtown West Mixed Use Project is sited adjacent to San Jose's major transit station, touches two waterways, and extends downtown westward. This Project is an opportunity to realize many city and community priorities, and be a standard in design, development, and public life. We support the Downtown West Project and encourage City Council's approval.

Regards,



Jason Su  
Executive Director  
Guadalupe River Park Conservancy



438 Coleman Avenue  
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Sincerely,

Gavin Lohry

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 11:02 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: We support Downtown West Project

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**From:** Joan Bucher <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 10:31 AM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> District 6 <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** We support Downtown West Project

[External Email]

My husband and I own a home at 154 Sunol St, San Jose, CA 95126. We completely support the Diridon Downtown Project.

We chose to live in downtown San Jose in order to live in walking and biking distance to stores, restaurants and local businesses. After moving here, we were able to get rid of one of our cars and now are a one car household instead of two car household. I biked to work in Mountain View for over four years and used the CalTrain when cycling was not an option. We appreciate the improvements to downtown San Jose since moving here but San Jose still has a long way to go before becoming a quality city that would rival other large US cities. This project is a step in the right direction.

We must not water down the plan by adding more parking and street space for cars. Make this a true community by getting people out of their cars and using other methods of transportation.

In addition, as a community, we also must fully support the Google plans and welcome them to the community. Google has proven to be an excellent corporate citizen to the communities where they are based. (Much better than Adobe).

Thank you,  
Joan Ellison (Symonds) & Julian Symonds

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 11:56 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Item #10.2 Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

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**From:** Mary Helen Doherty <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 11:46 AM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo  
<[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Item #10.2 Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

As a member of the PACT Housing Team I **request your vote of approval** for the Development Agreement of the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan. Over the past 4 years we have been actively engaged with community partners regarding this development advocating for it to address the lack of affordable housing, displacement of vulnerable residents, the need for community benefits and to consider that it's impact extends beyond the Diridon Station area.

We strongly support the over \$150 million included by Google in the "Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund" that will be grounded in racial justice and governed by grassroots leaders. Community members, particularly those from communities of color, will have the authority to direct tens of millions to prevent displacement and create economic opportunity for local residents. This governance model sets a new standard and we recommend it be utilized in future development projects.

Your VOTE of APPROVAL will be deeply appreciated.

Mary Helen Doherty  
PACT Housing Team  
District 3 Resident

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**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:08 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Downtown West support letter  
**Attachments:** Downtown West CC Comments PACSJ Final.pdf

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**From:** Ben Leech <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 1:44 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Downtown West support letter

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Please find the attached letter of support for tomorrow's City Council Agenda Item #10.2 for incorporation into the public record. Thank you.

Ben Leech  
Executive Director  
Preservation Action Council of San Jose

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May 24, 2021

VIA EMAIL [REDACTED]

San José City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara Street  
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**RE: DOWNTOWN WEST (GOOGLE) DRAFT EIR FIRST AMENDMENT  
GP19-009, PDC19-039, PD19-029**

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Esteemed Councilmembers,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on Google's revised Downtown West Mixed Use Plan and the project's Draft EIR First Amendment. PAC\* SJ would like to commend both the Google project team and Planning Division staff for their comprehensive and constructive responses to PAC\* SJ's concerns about project's potential impacts to historic resources within and adjacent to the project site. As outlined in Section 1.2.2 (pp. 1-4 through 1-6) of the First Amendment, Google has made significant positive changes to their proposed scope of work since the release of the first Draft EIR, including new commitments to preserve and rehabilitate numerous historic resources originally proposed for demolition. These and other welcome changes are a direct result of Google's commitment to robust, good-faith engagement with PAC\* SJ and other community stakeholders and a testament to the benefits of open dialogue and collaboration. PAC\* SJ looks forward to continued collaboration with the City and the Google project team to implement this ambitious and exciting preservation effort.

While not all of PAC\* SJ's comments and recommendations have been incorporated into the revised Downtown West project, we are generally satisfied that our input was given fair consideration and helped contribute to an improved overall plan that better meets the project's stated objectives to *"incorporate high-quality urban design, architecture, and open spaces with varied form, scale, and design character to enliven San José's downtown"* and to *"preserve and adapt landmark historic resources and assets where feasible to foster a place authentic to San José, and foster contemporary relations to San José's history."*

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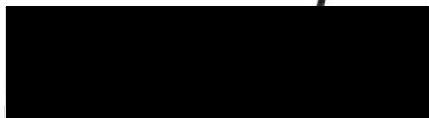


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We recognize that a strong commitment to historic preservation represents just one of many public interests served by a project of this magnitude, and that Google's equally commendable commitments to affordable housing, open space, and other community benefits have played a significant role in shaping the historic preservation scope of the Downtown West plan as proposed. In this light, PAC\* SJ remains committed to advocating for the preservation and adaptive reuse of historic resources within and adjacent to the project area in the event that the Downtown West plan is altered or amended in the future. While we commend Google for their substantial investment in preserving and reactivating numerous historic resources within the Downtown West plan area, we would also be remiss not to acknowledge the threatened loss of other important sites and structures, including but not limited to the National Register-eligible Democracy Hall (580 Lorraine Avenue) and the HRI-listed Patty's Inn (102 S. Montgomery St.). As development plans for these parcels are further refined, we encourage Google and the City of San José to revisit the adaptive reuse and/or relocation potential of these resources. We will also continue to advocate for an appropriate adaptive reuse strategy for significant elements of the National Register-eligible Sunlite Baking Company Building (145 S. Montgomery Street) within the project area.

**In summary, PAC\* SJ supports the revised project as presented and encourages its approval by City Council.** We thank the Google project team for their sincere engagement with PAC\* SJ and other community stakeholders and for their commitment to incorporating historic resources into their vision for Downtown West.

Sincerely,



Ben Leech  
Executive Director  
Preservation Action Council of San Jose

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:09 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: 5/25 re 10.2  
**Attachments:** FINAL 10.2.pdf

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**Subject:** 5/25 re 10.2

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Hello,

See the attached letter.

Go Spartans,

Jennifer Malutta  
Director of Local & State Government Relations  
Office of the President  
San Jose State University

c: [REDACTED]  
e: [REDACTED]  
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May 24, 2021  
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Mayor Liccardo and San Jose City Council  
City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara Street  
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Re: Item 10.2 on the 5/26/21 Agenda

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

As the most transformative university in the nation, San José State University is committed to being an essential partner in the economic, cultural and social development of San José and California. We provide a comprehensive university education, granting bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in 250 areas of study. Because SJSU has more than 36,000 students, nearly 4,300 employees, and occupies 19 acres in the heart of downtown, the future of San José is important to current and future Spartans. That is why we support Item 10.2 on the 5/26/21 Agenda.

The economic power and impact of a major development such as Downtown West is an important opportunity and milestone for the future of downtown San José. We appreciate the shared vision for focusing on building community and aiding in economic recovery for all. The Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund will increase access to higher education for first-generation students, thereby transforming their lives. Google has been a strong partner to the College of Engineering and many others on campus. We look forward to growing that partnership in the years to come.

SJSU supports Google and the City of San José's efforts in transforming the west side of downtown and the Diridon Station area. San José State University is committed to being a key partner to the city and contributor to the future of downtown San José. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:  
[Redacted]

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Charlie Faas

VP / CFO Administration & Finance  
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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:59 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Downtown West Support Petition  
**Attachments:** Downtown West Petition Signers 5.24.2021.xlsx

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**From:** Corey Smith <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:08 PM  
**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District1  
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Amanda Montez <[REDACTED]> Matt Regan <[REDACTED]> Nathan Ulsh  
<[REDACTED]> Kelsey <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re: Downtown West Support Petition

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Hello all,

I've attached an updated petition, now up to nearly 300 signers with the significant majority being San Jose residents.

Please let me know if you have any questions,  
Corey

On Tue, May 18, 2021 at 10:42 AM Corey Smith <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
Mayor Liccardo and members of the San Jose City Council,

On behalf of the Housing Action Coalition, the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, the Bay Area Council, South Bay YIMBY and the San Jose Downtown Association, please see the attached document with [petition signers in support of the Downtown West Proposal](#).

Please note that 78% of the signers indicated they are San Jose residents, reflecting the strong support among residents.

I've also attached the Housing Action Coalition's Letter of Support. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,  
Corey Smith  
Deputy Director, HAC

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**Corey Smith** 陈锐 | Pronouns: He/Him  
Deputy Director | Housing Action Coalition  
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**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 8:10 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Cc:** Phan, Johnny; Hughey, Rosalynn; Keyon, David  
**Subject:** Attorney-Client Communication: Downtown West - Required Minutes Posting

**Importance:** High

Hello,

Thanks for your response. The two study sessions that are raising this question are summarized in the table below. The project is the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan (Google Project) to go before City Council this Wednesday (5/25).

Meeting Date	Body	Meeting Purpose	Additional information available from City?
November 16, 2020	City Council	Study session to familiarize City Council with the project	• Minutes
March 25, 2021	City Council	Study session for the City Council on project utilities and infrastructure	• Minutes

If minutes are pending for these two sessions, they need to be posted by Wednesday (5/26) or Thursday (5/27) at the latest to meet legislative requirements associated with the Project.

Thanks for your assistance in meeting these requirements. If you have follow-up questions about these requirements, please contact Johnny Phan.

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
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**From:** Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 21, 2021 4:15 PM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re: Question about Minutes Posting

Hi Shannon,

The answer would be yes. No synopsis is provided, but minutes are eventually provided. (It can take awhile)

Regards,

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**From:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 21, 2021 2:59 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Fw: Question about Minutes Posting

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**From:** Hill, Shannon <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 21, 2021 2:44 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Question about Minutes Posting

Hello,

For City Council, are minutes typically provided for Study Sessions where no action is taken?

Thanks!

Shannon Hill  
Planner, Environmental Review  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement  
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## Taber, Toni

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 8:21 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Diridon Station/Google Downtown West Project

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**From:** Vivian Kramp <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 23, 2021 3:51 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Diridon Station/Google Downtown West Project

[External Email]

I read that the Council will be meeting on Tuesday about the Google project.

My main concern is the historic Diridon Station building. Google has not said what will be done with it. I want to see it preserved and restored just the way it is. It is a beautiful piece of our history and must not be remodeled in any way.

Please make sure that Google doesn't alter this building.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Vivian Kramp

[REDACTED]  
San Jose CA 95121

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 8:23 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Enthusiastic Support for the Downtown West Project!

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**From:** Marie Burns <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 23, 2021 2:29 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo  
<[REDACTED]> District 6 <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Enthusiastic Support for the Downtown West Project!

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Dear City Council,

I am a resident of District 6 and I am writing with excitement to encourage the City Council to approve the Downtown West Project. This project is a unique opportunity to transform San Jose into a more liveable and enjoyable city for those who will reside within the project area and citizens who visit or pass through. San Jose has incredible culture and this project will help make it more accessible to all.

I also encourage the city to not change the plan to increase parking or street space for cars. Having visited many amazing cities around the country and the world, my experiences have been those cities with the most vibrant culture, thriving small businesses, welcoming communities, and easiest transportation have been those that are more pedestrian friendly with safe places to walk, and multiple modes of public transportation. Parking lots and street parking take up space that could be used for recreation, pedestrians, event spaces, and businesses. In order to meet San Jose's mode shift goals, we need to make sure the plan prioritizes public transportation, safe bike infrastructure, and safe places for pedestrian traffic.

Throughout my life I have lived in places where I could walk or bike to work, but also places where commuting by car was necessary (most recently in San Jose). My quality of life was much improved when I was able to walk or bike to work. I recognize that many people will not change how they commute for various reasons (finding housing close to work is often not feasible for most people). But there are many people, like me, who would prefer other modes of transportation besides single-occupancy cars. This project would increase the availability and quality of options for

transportation. This is not only good for quality of life and providing more affordable and efficient transportation options, but also helps to address climate change and improve air quality.

To sum up, this project creates the future San Jose that I want to live in.

Thank you for supporting this project and for your service to the community,

Marie Burns  
Southwest Expy.

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 11:56 AM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Letter for Google's Downtown West Development Agreement  
**Attachments:** LUNA\_DowntownWestLETTER.docx

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**From:** Mayra Pelagio <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 11:33 AM  
**To:** Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]> Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]>  
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**Cc:** Jeffrey Buchanan <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Letter for Google's Downtown West Development Agreement

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and members of the City Council,

Please find attached a letter from our team regarding Google's Downtown West Development Agreement (item 10.2).

Best,

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## LATINOS UNITED FOR A NEW AMERICA

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May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council  
City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA 95113

Re: Item 10.2, Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers:

Google and the City of San Jose have agreed to a Development Agreement for the Downtown West project that could put \$154.8 million into a community fund grounded in racial justice and governed by grassroots leaders. This is the biggest community benefits fund of its kind, and the first to empower communities of color with the authority to direct tens of millions towards preventing displacement and creating economic opportunity for local residents.

This comes in addition to commitments by Google creating a path for thousands of workers to good family-supporting union jobs building and running their proposed Downtown West campus and supporting thousands of affordable homes for San José families between the project and Google's existing Affordable Housing Fund to help offset tech's role in our housing crisis.

This agreement is the result of four years of organizing. It happened because residents came out to town hall meetings back in 2017 and shared their hopes and needs, signed onto our community vision for the project, marched with us through downtown and at Google's headquarters, emailed City leaders and testified at City Council meetings, and so much more. Together, we made clear that the project must not destabilize our communities.

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The process of working together, community leaders together with Google and City staff to address the impacts of development on our communities is one that the City and other developers should seek to emulate, ensuring that as the City considers financially valuable land use changes, we develop the necessary processes to capture more of this value for the public to address potential impacts on neighborhoods experiencing the greatest pressures of displacement.

The fund will be governed by a 13-member Community Committee that reflects the diversity of San José and will have the final say on funding solutions:

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Regards,



Mayra Pelagio  
Executive Director,  
Latinos United for a New America (LUNA)

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Support for Downtown West Agreement  
**Attachments:** FF15\_COUNCIL\_5.21.21.docx

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**From:** Kaela Sanborn-Hum <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 12:25 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** Jeffrey Buchanan <[REDACTED]> Maria Maldonado <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Support for Downtown West Agreement

[External Email]

Hello,

Please find attached a letter from Maria Maldonado, Fight for \$15 Northern California Field Coordinator, in support of Item 10.2 Downtown West development agreement.

Sincerely,  
Kaela Sanborn-Hum

*Community Organizer*  
*Fight for \$15*  
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Regards,

Maria Maldonado

Field Coordinator

Fight for \$15 – Northern California

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Item 10.2 - Downtown West Mixed Use Plan  
**Attachments:** Agenda Item 10.2 - LFSV Comments to Downtown West Plan.pdf

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**From:** Nadia Aziz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 12:20 PM  
**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District1  
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**Cc:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Sykes, Dave <[REDACTED]> Kiyomi Honda Yamamoto  
<[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Item 10.2 - Downtown West Mixed Use Plan

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and San Jose City Councilmembers:

Please see the attached letter from the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley in support of the Downtown West Mixed Use Plan because of the Community Stabilization Fund.

Sincerely,

**Nadia Aziz | Directing Attorney | Housing**  
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**From:** Michael Trujillo <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 10:51 AM  
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Morales-Ferrand, Director of Housing <[REDACTED]> Tran, Fred  
<[REDACTED]> Nadia Aziz <[REDACTED]> Kiyomi Yamamoto  
<[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Item 8.2: Rent Increase Moratorium

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and City Councilmembers,

Please see attached for a letter of support from the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley for extending the City's moratorium on rent increases for tenants of rent-controlled apartments and mobilehome residents who have been financially impacted by COVID-19. We thank Councilmember Esparza for her leadership on this issue, and appreciate Councilmember Foley's work in engaging mobilehome residents and park owners to craft a policy that will ensure these protections apply to mobilehomes in a workable manner.

Thank you for your time and attention to these comments.

Best regards,

**Michael Trujillo | Staff Attorney | Housing**

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Mayor Sam Liccardo and San Jose City Council  
City of San Jose  
*Via e-mail*

**RE: Item 10.2 – SUPPORT - Downtown West Mixed Use Plan in San Jose, CA**

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council:

The Law Foundation of Silicon Valley writes in strong support of the Downtown West Mixed Used Plan, specifically because of the Community Stabilization Fund as part of Development Agreement between the City of San Jose and Google. Since Google made its announcement to move to San Jose, the Law Foundation, standing alongside other community organizations and partners, advocated for strong community benefit to prevent displacement and ensure that all San Joseans benefit from the opportunity the impactful Downtown West project. We are proud to be a part of a coalition that for years has worked with the City and Google to develop the Community Stabilization Fund. We urge the City Council to support this groundbreaking fund as part of the Development Agreement.

The Community Stabilization Fund provides needed resources and added stability to those most at-risk of displacement from the massive Downtown West project, specifically Latinx and AAPI (Asian American and Pacific Islander) communities in East San Jose and Downtown San Jose. The Fund sets aside dollars to prevent displacement, as well as to support economic opportunity for all people in San Jose. We are especially proud that the Fund will be governed by community members, including those with lived experience from East San Jose and Downtown. This ensures that race equity will be central to how the Fund is managed. This Fund is a model for future development agreements. It should inspire companies to reconsider their social responsibility programs to prioritize anti-displacement measures that support communities of color's abilities to continue to live and thrive in Silicon Valley.

We urge you to pass Downtown West Plan and Community Stabilization Fund.

Sincerely,

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Nadia Aziz  
Directing Attorney



BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of San José  
200 East Santa Clara Street  
San José, CA 95113

**Re: From Your BPAC: We Support Staff Recommendations for the Downtown West Mixed-Use Project**

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers,

I'm writing to you on behalf of the members of your City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. We have been appointed to advise and make recommendations on matters affecting the safety of bicyclists and pedestrians within our City.

We strongly support the City of San José's staff recommendations for the Downtown West Mixed Use Project. These recommendations were unanimously supported by your Planning Commission on April 28th.

We paraphrase Councilmember Peralez's words by stating that regardless of who is developing this area or who occupies SAP Center, the current Downtown West Mixed-Use Project is aligned with our City's long-term goals of creating multimodal communities and it offers a safer, more culturally diverse, and climate smart city to all who visit, work, or who live here.

These long-term goals are embodied in our City's *Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP)*, which after years of community engagement, was adopted in 2014. The Downtown West Mixed-Use Project is also in step with almost all of your *Envision San José 2040 General Plan*. The Downtown West Mixed Use Project should be consistent with our City's long-term goals.

This project should also be consistent with the programs that our City has spent huge portions of its budget on, to address climate change and to improve the quality and safety of the lives of our City's residents, its visitors, and those who work here.

These programs include the Climate Smart; Green Vision; Better Bike Plan 2025; Traffic Engineering and Traffic Calming; and the Vision Zero programs.

We thank you for your leadership and your consideration and attention.

Sincerely,

Brandon Alvarado, Chair  
San José Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

## Fw: Support For Downtown West

City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Tue 5/25/2021 9:40 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** Brian Baumgartner [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 8:51 AM

**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** Support For Downtown West

[External Email]

Hi,

I'm really excited about the Downtown West plan for San Jose. I believe it will bring increased clout, funds, entertainment, and other great things to our city and community. I also believe it will create a wonderful space for pedestrians, cyclists, etc. In particular, I cannot wait for the new bike paths and routes to be built and available. As an avid cyclist in the area it is incredibly frustrating to spend much of my leisure time biking dealing with unclean streets (glass, other debris on roads and in bike lanes), fixing flat tires as a result, dealing with bad drivers, and waiting/interrupting rides with stop lights and other traffic controls. The new Diridon area looks like it will solve a lot of these issues, creating bike and pedestrian friendly zones for cyclists, walkers, scooters, etc for both leisure and commute. I'm also very excited for a new and more efficient Diridon Station, including bike and pedestrian access, increased efficiency for loading and unloading trains, new facilities, and an iconic look for San Jose as the "crown jewel of Silicon Valley."

Thanks for your time and support of this project.

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Brian Baumgartner

[REDACTED]



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Executive Director, **Stacey Mortensen**

May 24, 2021

Mayor Sam Liccardo and the San Jose City Council  
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**RE: San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) Support for Google at Diridon**

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and the City Council:

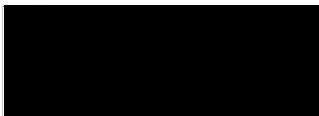
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission is the owner/operator of the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) commuter rail service which has served Diridon Station for more than two decades. Please find this letter in support of Google's development plan near the San Jose Diridon Station.

Over the course of 20 years of ACE service, it has been demonstrated time and time again that focused and mixed development near stations has a beneficial impact on train ridership. The Diridon Station is an important transportation center for the ACE riders and more intensive land use will support the services that make Diridon Station such a significant transportation hub, including ACE, VTA, Caltrain, Capitol Corridor, and future High-Speed Rail and BART. This higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station will be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

The Downtown West project will include up to 7.3 millions square feet of employment space and 4,000 residential units (including 1,000 affordable) right at the doorstep of Diridon Station. This density and higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station could be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

Thank you very much for your consideration. If you or any of your representatives have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (530) 400-9475 or you can email me at [dan@acerail.com](mailto:dan@acerail.com).

Sincerely,



Dan Leavitt  
Manager of Regional Initiatives  
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission / Altamont Corridor Express (ACE)



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May 24, 2021

Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council  
City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
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Re: Item 10.2, Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers:

PACT: People Acting in Community Together supports the proposed Downtown West project and urges the Council to approve the Development Agreement, Amendment to the Diridon Station Area Plan and the Affordable Housing Implementation Plan, which together address many of the concerns raised by community members about this proposed project over the past 4 years: lack of affordable housing, displacement of vulnerable residents and the need for community benefits.

In particular, the community fund proposed to be created by Google and the City of Jose in the Development Agreement would be the largest of its kind, with over \$150 million contributed by Google, and will be grounded in racial justice and governed by grassroots leaders. Community members, particularly those from communities of color, will have the authority to direct tens of millions to prevent displacement and create economic opportunity for local residents.

This is the result of four years of organizing and ensuring that Google and City leaders understood the impact of the proposed development on residents throughout the City. Community members turned out and made clear that the project must not destabilize our communities. PACT appreciates that Google's team and City leaders listened to community members and worked with community leaders to develop a governance model for the fund that gives those most impacted power over decisions that will disproportionately affect them. This process of City staff and the developer working together with community leaders to address the impact of development and giving at-risk communities real power over resources sets a new standard and should be replicated in the future.

Please approve the Development Agreement and related items.

Thank you,

Rev. Ray Montgomery  
PACT Executive Director

**Fw: Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Tue 5/25/2021 8:30 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**From:** John Kelly <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 8:10 PM**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Support for Downtown West, City Council 05/25, Agenda Item 10.2

[External Email]

Hello,

I've been using shared (public and private) transportation as well as my bicycle to travel to work for 25 years. For most of that time I have either taken Caltrain or biked through the Diridon station area. I fully support the Downtown West project. It's great to see the project enable the adoption of efficient transpiration options, promoting safety and providing a better place to live.

As a San Josean and a cyclist, I respectfully urge the city to approve the downtown west project.

Thank you,  
John Kelly

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## Fw: San Jose Earthquakes Support for Google Downtown West

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Tue 5/25/2021 8:30 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** Jared Shawlee [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 9:50 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** San Jose Earthquakes Support for Google Downtown West

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To the Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council

Re: Downtown West Mixed-use Plan

The San Jose Earthquakes **support** the Downtown West Mixed-use Plan that will fill important needs in our community and generate significant and sustained economic benefits for residents of San José.

The Earthquakes have a 47 year history in San Jose, the longest of our professional sports franchises. We represent hundreds of players and employees and tens of thousands of Earthquakes fans who live and work in our City. I am thrilled to represent our stakeholders and offer support for one of the most transformational development opportunities San Jose has seen.

Downtown West will create more than 5,700 prevailing wage construction jobs with supplier diversity and local hire targets over a multi-year build-out. And, the planned 4,000 new homes in the Diridon Station Area and support of 25% affordable homes for families with a range of incomes can provide opportunities for people to live near their place of work. Creation of a \$150+ million Community Stabilization and Opportunity Pathways Fund focused on social equity and led by community can help provide a foundation for our residents' long term success. The 15 acres of public parks and open space with free year-round programming and the project's sustainability goal of zero net new carbon emissions will also contribute to a vibrant, healthy environment for community members.

**We respectfully request the City Council to support the Downtown West project in its entirety.**

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support.

For San Jose,

Jared Shawlee

**Jared Shawlee**  
Chief Operating Officer

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May 25, 2021

## San Jose City Council

City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara Street  
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### RE: Item 8.1, 10.2, and 10.3

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Santa Clara County Association of REALTORS® (SCCAOR) and our 6,000 members, I write regarding potential amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan. SCCAOR is supportive of the staff-recommended development agreement with Google and applauds the work of everyone involved.

Google's Downtown West project will create an inclusive space with community involvement and bring long-term benefits to San Jose. This will bring thousands of permanent jobs to the region, as well as prevailing wage construction jobs to build the development, helping our region through an economic recovery from the COVID-19 Pandemic. This project also commits to creating 4,000 desperately needed housing units, 25% of which will be affordable. SCCAOR highlights the importance of these affordable units that exceed the normal 15% affordability threshold. This will allow our entire community to live in and enjoy this new urban hub. As we face a housing crisis, this project achieves a fine balance of providing ample housing while also including ample commercial, retail, and green space to create a vibrant mixed-use development providing the City of San Jose with valuable tax revenue.

However, SCCAOR does have some concerns with the accompanying Diridon Affordable Housing Implementation Plan. We appreciate staff clarifying timelines and additional approval for several recommendations in the supplemental memorandum. However, we still have large concerns about some of the policies themselves. We urge the Council to consider a policy that supports vulnerable residents, without unduly burdening small property housing providers. SCCAOR strongly opposes any stricter rent control or tenant protections in any area of the City as state law and existing ordinances address displacement concerns. Stricter regulations only erode property rights and force "mom and pop" housing providers to remove naturally affordable housing from the market. It does nothing to incentivize homeownership for these residents which is truly the best way to decrease the wealth gap, create generational wealth, and protect these residents. We look forward to the outreach process to create anti-displacement policies in the Diridon Area that supports the entire community.

Regards,



Doug Goss  
2021 President, Santa Clara County Association of REALTORS®

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Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council  
City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
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Re: Item 10.2, Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers:

On behalf of Silicon Valley Rising, the South Bay AFL-CIO Labor Council and Working Partnerships USA, we would like to strongly endorse Google's Downtown West Project. Google and the City of San Jose have agreed to a Development Agreement for the Downtown West project that could put \$154.8 million into a community fund grounded in racial justice, and governed by grassroots leaders. This is the biggest community benefits fund of its kind, and the first to empower communities of color with the authority to direct tens of millions towards preventing displacement and creating economic opportunity for local residents.

This comes in addition to commitments by Google creating a path for thousands of workers to good family-supporting union jobs building and running their proposed Downtown West campus and supporting thousands of affordable homes for San José families between the project and Google's existing Affordable Housing Fund to help offset tech's role in our housing crisis.

This agreement is the result of four years of organizing. It happened because residents came out to town hall meetings back in 2017 and shared their hopes and needs, signed onto our community vision for the project, marched with us through downtown and at Google's headquarters, emailed City leaders and testified at City Council meetings, and so much more. Together, we made clear that the project must not destabilize our communities. Together with UNITE HERE Local 19, SEIU USWW, Teamsters, Latinos United for a New America, PACT, Sacred Heart Community Services, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, Affordable Housing Network, SOMOS Mayfair and the Fight for \$15, we organized to ensure this project would address the communities greatest concerns and needs.

Google's team and City leaders listened. They've worked with our coalition of housing advocates, community organizations, and labor groups to find solutions to the community's greatest concerns and to jointly design this grassroots-governed community fund to tackle the root causes of our displacement crisis and to give the most impacted power over decisions. We collaborated to devise a process to review community benefit funds across the country, to consider best practices, to work with community members to reflect on a governance model that would intentionally address a history of racial, economic and political inequality.

The process of working together, community leaders together with Google and City staff to address the impacts of development on our communities is one that the City and other developers should seek to emulate, ensuring that as the City considers financially valuable land use changes which could have direct and indirect impacts on working families, we develop the necessary processes to capture more of this value for the public to address the potential impacts on neighborhoods experiencing the greatest pressures of displacement.

The fund will be governed by a 13-member Community Committee that reflects the diversity of San José and will have the final say on funding solutions:

- At least five members must have personal lived experience with the root causes of displacement, including two from the eastside and one from downtown.
- The other eight will have expertise fighting racial injustice in areas like housing, workers' rights, education, and small business.

The fund will focus on undoing racial inequity in neighborhoods experiencing displacement on the top priorities identified by our community:

- Stable housing: Preserving affordable homes, funding legal aid and tenant organizing, and piloting new ownership models where our homes belong to our community rather than private corporations.
- Economic opportunity: Providing pathways to good jobs for local residents of all ages and backgrounds, from early childhood education, to apprenticeships in careers like construction and IT, to help founding small businesses.

When we started on this journey, we said we wanted this project to be a new model for how the tech sector can develop without displacement. This agreement gives the communities most at risk real power over resources and together with the commitments creating a path to thousands of good union jobs and affordable housing, we're creating that new model. By listening to community and labor leaders, working together to design solutions to the community's biggest concerns, and giving power to those most impacted, Google's Downtown West project sets a new standard for future developments in San Jose.

While it has been a long journey to get where we are, this only shows that when we come together and organize as a community, we win.

Regards,

**Jean Cohen**

*Executive Officer, South Bay AFL-CIO Labor Council*

**David Bini**

*Executive Director, Santa Clara & San Benito Counties Building & Construction Trades Council*

**Maria Noel Fernandez**

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Willow Glen Business Association  
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TIM MULCAHY  
Treasurer..

To the San Jose City Council and Mayor Sam Liccardo,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Willow Glen Business Association as not only a member property owner but as an 10 year member of the board including 3 years as President and the current C.F.O. and Treasurer. Over the past decade prior to the pandemic I've noticed the lack of foot traffic during work hours in our business district due to the commuting of our residents to other cities for work. When we instituted the road diet in 2015 the most vocal opponents of the lane reduction were commuters who viewed our business district as an obstacle to their travels. The businesses in the district see Lincoln Avenue as a destination. With that being said we believe that a development that will create thousands of jobs and homes within a few miles of our association should go a long way to help bring more patrons to the Lincoln Avenue business district.

The Willow Glen Business Association welcomes the Google Downtown Project and hopes it will be successful in transforming the area between downtown and our business district. We are hopeful that this project will spur investment on the northern portion of Lincoln Ave. More density around our business district is vital to the future success as we compete with Campbell for feet on the street.

I urge you to approve the project and help keep more San Jose residents working in this city and spending more in communities like Willow Glen..

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mulcahy and the W.G.B.A. Board..



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May 24, 2021

Mayor Sam Liccardo and the San Jose City Council  
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**RE: San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) Support for Google at Diridon**

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and the City Council:

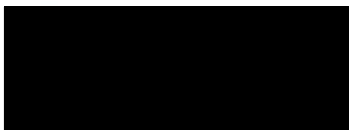
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission is the owner/operator of the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) commuter rail service which has served Diridon Station for more than two decades. Please find this letter in support of Google's development plan near the San Jose Diridon Station.

Over the course of 20 years of ACE service, it has been demonstrated time and time again that focused and mixed development near stations has a beneficial impact on train ridership. The Diridon Station is an important transportation center for the ACE riders and more intensive land use will support the services that make Diridon Station such a significant transportation hub, including ACE, VTA, Caltrain, Capitol Corridor, and future High-Speed Rail and BART. This higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station will be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

The Downtown West project will include up to 7.3 millions square feet of employment space and 4,000 residential units (including 1,000 affordable) right at the doorstep of Diridon Station. This density and higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station could be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

Thank you very much for your consideration. If you or any of your representatives have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (530) 400-9475 or you can email me at [dan@acerail.com](mailto:dan@acerail.com).

Sincerely,



Dan Leavitt  
Manager of Regional Initiatives  
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission / Altamont Corridor Express (ACE)



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**Fw: Downtown West Public Hearing Comments Hearing 5/25/2021**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Wed 5/26/2021 8:32 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**From:** Joanne Price <[REDACTED]>**Sent:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 7:27 PM**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Downtown West Public Hearing Comments Hearing 5/25/2021

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Good evening Mayor and City Council

- I'm Joanne Price VP Real Estate & Operations for LifeMoves. As one of Silicon Valley's largest providers of homeless shelters and services we see tears every day: tears of sadness, tears of despair; tears of hard work and grit and tears of joy – so I understand Nancy's tears - the four year journey of this extraordinary project is not lost on me.
- We applaud the City of San Jose for undertaking such a bold project and working with Google on their vision to create this transformative project that is a model for the rest of the world on how to truly build an integrated community. We appreciate your leadership - it's a shining example of a public private partnership – which brings benefits equally to all.
- We look forward to continuing our long-term partnership with Google and City to address the immediate needs of this vulnerable population in the Downtown West and Diridon Area.
- Google has truly proven to understand the need for much needed jobs and housing at all levels (including the important but often unseen homeless population that LifeMoves serves) and is committed to building for the future.
- We are grateful for your partnership.
- Thank you.

Best  
Joanne**Joanne Price** | Vice President, Real Estate & Operations  
[REDACTED]

May 25, 2021

Mayor Sam Liccardo and Honorable Councilmembers  
San Jose City Council  
200 E Santa Clara St  
San Jose, CA 95113

RE: Downtown West

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Honorable Councilmembers,

For over 60 years, Greenbelt Alliance has helped create cities and neighborhoods that make the Bay Area a better place to live—healthy places where people can walk and bike; communities with parks, shops, transportation options; homes that are affordable and resilient to the impacts of climate change. By promoting climate-smart development we can create thriving, resilient neighborhoods with ready access to transit and housing choices for all of the Bay Area’s people. Moreover, focusing development within the urban footprint is key to relieve sprawl pressure from our natural and working lands that provide countless climate benefits for our region. This is crucial as we face increasingly severe climate hazards like flooding, wildfires, drought, sea-level rise, and extreme heat, all of which disproportionately impact our frontline communities.

Over the years, San Jose has already begun the process of bold visioning that aims to address the shared needs of housing, neighborhood-serving retail, jobs, nature, and open space with programs like Climate Smart San Jose and San Jose Green Vision. It has the potential to continue down this bold, innovative path by again supporting dense infill housing near transit, like Downtown West.

Now, before the council is an opportunity to revitalize downtown San Jose. By focusing on transit oriented, mixed use development, San Jose will show their commitment to climate action and resilience while allowing for the protection of critical open space like Coyote Valley. Greenbelt Alliance urges the San Jose City Council to think boldly about the climate resilience of our region and its people and approve developments like Downtown West that increase access to open space, provide housing near jobs and help address our climate crisis.

Sincerely,

Justin Wang  
Advocacy Manager  
Greenbelt Alliance



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May 25, 2021

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Attn: San José City Council  
By Email: [city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov),

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Councilmembers Arenas, Carrasco, Cohen, Davis, Esparza, Foley, Jimenez, Mahan, and Peralez,

The Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (PCJPB) is pleased to submit this letter in support of the Downtown West project proposed by Google, Inc. PCJPB is excited about the opportunity that this project represents for San José as well as for the growth in transit ridership it presents. San José Diridon Station is already the primary transit hub in the southern portion of the San Francisco Bay Area and, with the planned expansion of BART, commuter rail, high-speed rail, light rail, and supporting bus services converge at the station, will soon support more high-capacity transit connections than any other place in the Bay Area. It is the goal of all our agencies to develop a world-class transit center that provides smooth connections between modes and integration with the surrounding neighborhoods and destinations. We are pleased to see Google work with all public agency partners to support that vision.

PCJPB is supportive of the City of San José's efforts to coordinate and advance development in the Diridon Station area. The Downtown West project is the first major step toward realizing the long-term vision for an integrated and modern transportation hub. We are supportive of the overall efforts of Downtown West to promote non-vehicle transit modes, including bicycles and pedestrians, as the primary mode of access for the development. The Downtown West pedestrian-friendly design, lower parking requirements suitable for a downtown development, and robust transportation demand management (TDM) programs will go a long way toward meeting the City's ambitious climate goals. PCJPB looks forward to the continued partnership with the City to provide the greatest benefit to the traveling public within the Diridon Station area.

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We look forward to continuing our work with the City of San Jose and our transit and rail partners as we work toward creating a thriving transit-oriented community and increased connectivity for all in San Jose.

Sincerely,



Michelle Bouchard  
Acting Executive Director

**Fw: Support for Diridon Station Area Plan - Do not change to add more parking**

City Clerk &lt;city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Wed 4/28/2021 9:53 AM

To: Agendadesk &lt;Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

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**From:** Marie Burns [REDACTED]**Sent:** Wednesday, April 28, 2021 9:15 AM**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Support for Diridon Staon Ar ea Plan - Do not change to add more parking

[External Email]

Dear City Clerk,

I am a citizen of San Jose and I am writing to express my support for the Diridon Station Area Plan. I do not support changing it to add more parking. Adding more parking will increase congestion and take up space that could be used for other more people focused spaces or buildings. There is sufficient parking in the plan combined with the transit hub to provide access to all events in the area. Adding more parking will be counter to the city's mode shift goals. I want to live in a San Jose that is more walkable and bikeable, less polluted, and less covered in parking lots.

Thank you,

Marie Burns, District 6

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**FW: Diridon Station Area Plan**

Severino, Lori &lt;Lori.Severino@sanjoseca.gov&gt;

Mon 5/10/2021 12:07 PM

**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Correspondence for Diridon items scheduled for 5/25

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**From:** Ann Chung [REDACTED]**Sent:** Wednesday, May 5, 2021 5:03 PM**To:** Severino, Lori <[Lori.Severino@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Lori.Severino@sanjoseca.gov)>**Subject:** Diridon Staon Ar ea Plan

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I think the Diridon Staon Ar ea should have less parking lots. It would also be nice to have rooftop gardens accessible to the public for free.

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**From:** City Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:59 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk  
**Subject:** Fw: Caltrans Division of Aeronautics  
**Attachments:** 4-SantaClaraCnty\_SanJoseGPA-RezoneOverrule\_041521.pdf; 04-15-21 Fiore to Ruano SJC Overrule Response.pdf

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**From:** Friedman, Matthew L@DOT <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2021 2:37 PM  
**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** O'Connor, Dennis@DOT <[REDACTED]> Choi, Amy L@DOT <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Caltrans Division of Aeronautics

[External Email]

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to confirm your receipt of the Caltrans Division of Aeronautics comments regarding the proposed resolution that is scheduled to be heard by the City Council on May 25, 2021.

GP20-007 & C20-002 - City-initiated General Plan Amendment amending the Diridon Station Area Plan and a Conforming Rezoning in response to Senate Bill (SB) 1333 to bring existing Zoning Districts into conformance with the existing and amended Diridon Station Area Plan and to support the amended Diridon Station Area Plan's vision

According to our records Mr. Robert Fiore of our staff sent an e-mail with a letter of comment on April 15 to Mr. Jose Ruano of the City of San Jose Department of Planning.

Upon review of the council agenda I did not see a copy of the comment letter.

I have attached a copy of Mr. Fiore's letter to Mr. Ruano and the e-mail of transmittal.

Please advise us of the status of the letter of comment.

**Matt Friedman, Chief1515  
Office of Aviation Planning  
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**From:** Fiore, Robert A@DOT  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 9:05 AM  
**To:** Ruano, Jose  
**Cc:** Connolly, Mark; Sheelen, Ryan; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** SAN JOSE GPA & REZONING OVERRULE CMT LTR  
**Attachments:** 4-SantaClaraCnty\_SanJoseGPA-RezoneOrrule\_041521.pdf

Hello Mr. Ruano:

Caltrans Division of Aeronautics is currently emailing official correspondence. Attached is correspondence from Caltrans Division of Aeronautics that is addressed to you.

Thank you

ROBERT FIORE  
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Building and Code Enforcement  
Department of Planning  
City of San José  
200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower  
San José, CA 95113-1705

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Dear Mr. Ruano:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Division of Aeronautics (Division) received a proposed overrule by the city of San José (City) on March 16, 2021. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 21676(a)<sup>1</sup>, an overrule may be proposed by the City after the Santa Clara County Airport Land Use Commission (SCCALUC) finds a general or specific plan, including amendments, inconsistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP)<sup>2</sup> for Norman Y. Mineta San José International Airport (SJC).

The proposed overrule involves a General Plan Amendment (GPA) and Conforming Rezoning, City File Nos. GP20-007 and C20-002, also known as the Diridon Station Area Plan<sup>3</sup>. These proposed land use actions were submitted to the Santa Clara County Airport Land Use Commission (SCCALUC) for a consistency determination with the SJC Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP). On December 16, 2020, the SCCALUC found the proposed GPA and Rezoning inconsistent with the safety, height, and noise policies contained within the SJC CLUP.

In response to the SCCALUC's inconsistency finding, the City prepared a resolution with draft findings in support of the GPA and Rezoning. The Division has reviewed the City's proposed findings and has determined the proposed findings are not consistent with the declaration and purposes of the statutes set forth in PUC section 21670<sup>4</sup> and with the foundational principles contained in the California Airport Land Use Planning Handbook (Handbook)<sup>5</sup>

The SCCALUC found the GPA and Rezoning inconsistent with the SJC CLUP noise policies, Table 4-1 and Policy N-4. The Table shows residential uses are "Generally Unacceptable" between the 65-70 decibel (dB) Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) Noise Contours. Further, Policy N-4 of the SJC CLUP states, "that no

residential or transient lodging construction shall be permitted within the 65 dB CNEL contour boundary unless the resulting interior sound levels will be less than 45 dB CNEL and there are no outdoor patios or outdoor activity areas.” The City’s resolution includes a finding that states, “Although the project is proposing residential type development in the 65-70 dB CNEL noise contour, the City finds the project consistent with Section 21670.” This finding is inconsistent with PUC section 21670 in that it does not promote the overall objectives of the California airport noise standards pursuant to PUC section 21669 and prevent the creation of new noise problems. It is also inconsistent with the Handbook Table 4B that shows 65 dB CNEL is generally not acceptable for most new development.

The finding pertaining to Goal EC-1 of the Envision San José General Plan 2040 (General Plan) is not consistent with the Handbook, which references the California Building Code (Building Code)<sup>6</sup> section 1207.11. The Building Code establishes a maximum interior noise of 45 dB CNEL<sup>7</sup>. The Division cautions the City that if interior noise exposure exceeds 45 dB, then the City may be liable for future retrofits. Further, the Building Code requires a general plan that includes an airport’s noise contours. According to the Building Code, if residential type structures exceed 60 dB CNEL or DNL, per the Noise Element, then an acoustical analysis is required.

The Division finds that the City’s General Plan policies regarding outdoor noise limits within the environs of SJC and in downtown San Jose inconsistent with PUC section 21670, 21674.7(b), and PUC section 21675(a).

- The City’s General Plan does not discourage incompatible land uses near existing airports (PUC section 21674.7)
- Proposed buildings are not guided by the noise criteria compatible with airport operations (PUC section 21674.7); and
- The GPA does not safeguard the inhabitants within the vicinity of airports (PUC section 21675(a)).

The finding regarding exterior spaces being consistent with the SJC Airport Master Plan is not consistent with PUC section 21670(a), and PUC section 21676(a)<sup>8</sup>. Further, the SJC Master Plan noise analysis does not supersede SJC CLUP policies (PUC section 21676(c)).

The finding regarding the largest contributing factor to 65-70 dB CNEL noise measures is from highways, streets, and rail systems is not supported.

The Division finds that the City’s noise complaint tracking system indicating minimal noise complaints from existing development is not consistent with PUC section 21670. This finding does not account for future conditions and does not prevent new noise problems.



The City's resolution states that "the ALUC made its Land Use Plan inconsistency determination prior to the Federal Aviation Administration's issuance of any "No Hazard" determination for the subject project and that CLUP Policy H-1 provides that the FAA determination shall prevail." Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) aeronautical studies are typically conducted upon submission of Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 77, Form 7460-1<sup>9</sup>, which pertains to specific structures, objects, or natural features. FAA aeronautical studies do not typically consider broad policies and standards applicable to a general or specific plan or a cumulative number of future buildings, objects, or natural features as proposed with the GPA and Rezoning. If the FAA has made a "Determination of No Hazard," it was not submitted with the proposed resolution and findings

Further, the Legislature enacted PUC sections 21402<sup>10</sup> and 21659(a)<sup>11</sup> for airspace protection purposes. According to the California State Aeronautics Act, CFR Part 77 (Part 77) is used as the primary airspace protection standard for the State. In addition, the provisions of PUC section 21670 (inclusive) reference Part 77 for ALUCs' use in airport land use compatibility planning and policy formation. FAA Determinations on an Airspace Study is a finding relative to Part 77 surfaces surrounding an airport. If a local agency proposes policies with respect to building heights that cover large areas, a cumulative number of future buildings, several objects, or swaths of natural features, then Part 77 is the appropriate standard for establishing building height maximums. The SCCALUC adopted their policies consistent with the Handbook's foundational principles.

The City resolution also includes a finding that states, "the project is in compliance with General Plan Transportation Policy TR14.2." The City's finding is not consistent with PUC section 21670 because it requires future determinations by the FAA for individual buildings, objects, or specific natural features. It does not demonstrate that cumulative future conditions would ensure the orderly development of SJC or maintain protection of SJC airspace. Such consequences may reduce the operating utility of SJC. Ultimately, it may be more appropriate for the City to seek the FAA's assistance in conducting an aeronautical study that evaluates all potential development scenarios to best protect SJC and SJC's airspace.

Development encroachment upon an airport is likely to constrain an airport's vital contribution to the community, region, and State, and exposes people to safety hazards and excessive noise. In addition, SJC provides economic stimulus, generates on and off airport jobs, and is a hub for domestic and international commerce and tourism.

Caltrans concurs with SCCALUC's inconsistency determination because SJC is important to the California Aviation System Plan.

Mr. Jose Ruano  
April 15, 2021  
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If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact me at (916) 654-5314 or via email at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

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#### ENDNOTES

<sup>1</sup>PUC section 21676(a), each local agency whose general plan includes areas covered an airport land use compatibility plan must submit a copy of its plan or specific plan to the airport land use commission (ALUC).

<sup>2</sup>PUC section 21675(a): Each commission shall formulate an airport land use compatibility plan that will provide for the orderly growth of each public airport and the area surrounding the airport within the jurisdiction of the commission, and will safeguard the general welfare of the inhabitants within the vicinity of the airport and the public in general.

<sup>3</sup>The proposed City-initiated General Plan Amendment amending the Diridon Station Area Plan, is to add development capacity and update sections on land use, design, transportation, and public spaces, and the Conforming Rezoning is in response to Senate Bill (SB) 1333 to bring the existing site's Zoning Districts into conformance with the existing and amended Diridon Station Area Plan on approximately 262 gross acres.

<sup>4</sup>PUC section 21670(a): The Legislature hereby finds and declares that: (1) It is in the public interest to provide for the orderly development of each public use airport in this state and the area surrounding these airports so as to promote the overall goals and objectives of the California airport noise standards adopted pursuant to Section 21669 and to prevent the creation of new noise and safety problems. (2) It is the purpose of this article to protect public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring the orderly expansion of airports and the adoption of land use measures that minimize the public's exposure to excessive noise and safety hazards within areas around public airports to the extent that these areas are not already devoted to incompatible uses.

<sup>5</sup>PUC section 21674.7

<sup>6</sup> California Code of Regulations, Title 24

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<sup>7</sup> The Building Code states that "interior noise levels shall not exceed 45 (dB) for either the Day-Night Average Sound Level (DNL) or the CNEL. The worst-case noise level of existing or 10 years in the future shall be used." The City's resolution does not provide the General Plan noise contours and analysis regarding a future worst-case scenario for residential type uses as required by the Building Code.

<sup>8</sup>PUC 21676(c): Each public agency owning any airport within the boundaries of an airport land use compatibility plan shall, prior to modification of its airport master plan, refer any proposed change to the airport land use commission.

<sup>9</sup>Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 77, "*Safe, Efficient Use and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace.*"

<sup>10</sup>The ownership of the space above the land and waters of this State is vested in the several owners of the surface beneath, subject to the right of flight described in Section 21403. No use shall be made of such airspace which would interfere with such right of flight; provided, that any use of property in conformity with an original zone of approach of an airport shall not be rendered unlawful by reason of a change in such zone of approach.

<sup>11</sup>No person shall construct or alter any structure or permit any natural growth to grow at a height which exceeds the obstruction standards set forth in the regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration relating to objects affecting navigable airspace contained in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 77, Subpart C, unless the Federal Aviation Administration has determined that the construction, alteration, or growth does not constitute a hazard to air navigation or would not create an unsafe condition for air navigation.

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Hello City Clerk,

It appears that SV@Home's letter RE: Items 10.3 and 8.1 was only filed under Item 8.1. Could we please request that this letter also be filed under Item 10.3, since it is focused on that item?

Thank you!

David

David Meyer  
Director of Strategic Initiatives

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**Subject:** SV@Home Letters RE: Downtown West and Diridon Station Area Plan Amendments

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Councilmembers Arenas, Cohen, Davis, Carrasco, Esparza, Foley, Jimenez, Mahan, and Peralez,

On behalf of Silicon Valley at Home and our members, we write today to provide our comments on the two interconnected Diridon Station redevelopment issues you will be addressing at your Council Meeting next week. We have split our comments into two letters: The first addressing Google's Downtown West proposal and the second addressing the Amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan and the accompanying Affordable Housing Implementation Plan.

As a member of the Station Area Advisory Group (SAAG), SV@Home has been actively involved in community engagement and policy development efforts around Diridon from the very beginning. We greatly appreciate the efforts of City Staff, especially the Housing and Planning Departments, as well as the commitments by Google, to create a housing-rich vision for the Diridon Station Area, focus attention on affordability needs and displacement solutions, and (in Google's case) put forth a comprehensive project proposal that will catalyze much-needed residential development throughout the Station Area.

**We strongly support the City Council's approvals of the staff-recommended Development Agreement with Google, the Amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan, and the Affordable Housing Implementation Plan.**

SV@Home is looking forward to continuing to work closely with the City and the community to ensure that the overall housing and affordable housing goals are met.

Sincerely,

David

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City Council  
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Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones, and Councilmembers Arenas, Cohen, Davis, Carrasco, Esparza, Foley, Jimenez, Mahan, and Peralez:

**RE: Diridon Station Area Plan Amendments and Affordable Housing Implementation Plan**

On behalf of Silicon Valley at Home and our members, we write today to express our support for the staff-recommended Amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan, including the Affordable Housing Implementation Plan. As a member of the Station Area Advisory Group (SAAG), SV@Home has been actively involved in all community engagement and policy development efforts around Diridon from the very beginning. We would like to thank staff for their excellent work developing this comprehensive plan and for their cooperative approach to receiving and including community feedback. The Planning and Housing Departments should be commended for this achievement.

The Amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan set the framework and expectations for development across the 240-acre Station Area, inclusive of Google's Downtown West proposal. And while Downtown West will catalyze development across the Area, the development of a complete, vibrant neighborhood can be made possible only through a forward-looking, ambitious, but achievable, vision. We believe that this Plan accomplishes this, and key to its overall success will be the success of its residential components.

SV@Home strongly supports staff recommendations on the overall land use plan and distribution of uses, the development capacity numbers, and the allowable heights for the entire Station Area. These factors are critical to the Plan's total housing capacity number: 13,519 new homes. When these new homes are added to recent and underway residential development in the Area, the Station Area will approach a total of 15,000 homes, a key goal that tracks with SV@Home's own data-driven capacity analysis. Importantly, this housing-rich vision relies on the other staff recommendations on land use and height allowances. Modifications, especially any reductions, to these allowances would undermine the potential for housing across the Station Area. **Therefore, we urge the City Council to approve staff recommendations on land use, housing capacity, and height allowances to meet San José's overall housing vision for the Station Area.**

We support staff's significant work in developing an assessment, through the Affordable Housing Implementations Plan, of the challenges that lie ahead for both reaching the target of 25% affordable within the Station Area, and responding to the Council and community mandate to address the risks of displacement in adjacent communities. We believe that the extension of the City's current 3Ps approach (production, preservation, and protection) to the local housing crisis is the right frame to craft a response to these challenges, and

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support the comprehensive range of policy proposals and recommendations for proactive administrative efforts presented in the Plan. This will not be simple or easy.

Many of the key elements of the plan will require future approval, and City Staff will need the full support of the City Council and the community in assembling the resources and prioritizing policies to implement the Plan. Monitoring its progress will be essential to its success. We believe that that the collective commitment to this effort is both clear and sincere, and that the successful racial and economic integration of the Station Area, and surrounding neighborhoods, will be a gauge for generations of San Joséans in assessing equitable growth in the city.

Overall, we are excited by the opportunity presented by the redevelopment of Diridon Station and are strongly supportive of staff's housing-rich vision. SV@Home is looking forward to continuing to work closely with the City and the community to ensure that the overall housing and affordable housing goals are met.

Sincerely,



Leslye Corsiglia  
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## San Jose City Council

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### RE: Item 8.1, 10.2, and 10.3

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Santa Clara County Association of REALTORS® (SCCAOR) and our 6,000 members, I write regarding potential amendments to the Diridon Station Area Plan. SCCAOR is supportive of the staff-recommended development agreement with Google and applauds the work of everyone involved.

Google's Downtown West project will create an inclusive space with community involvement and bring long-term benefits to San Jose. This will bring thousands of permanent jobs to the region, as well as prevailing wage construction jobs to build the development, helping our region through an economic recovery from the COVID-19 Pandemic. This project also commits to creating 4,000 desperately needed housing units, 25% of which will be affordable. SCCAOR highlights the importance of these affordable units that exceed the normal 15% affordability threshold. This will allow our entire community to live in and enjoy this new urban hub. As we face a housing crisis, this project achieves a fine balance of providing ample housing while also including ample commercial, retail, and green space to create a vibrant mixed-use development providing the City of San Jose with valuable tax revenue.

However, SCCAOR does have some concerns with the accompanying Diridon Affordable Housing Implementation Plan. We appreciate staff clarifying timelines and additional approval for several recommendations in the supplemental memorandum. However, we still have large concerns about some of the policies themselves. We urge the Council to consider a policy that supports vulnerable residents, without unduly burdening small property housing providers. SCCAOR strongly opposes any stricter rent control or tenant protections in any area of the City as state law and existing ordinances address displacement concerns. Stricter regulations only erode property rights and force "mom and pop" housing providers to remove naturally affordable housing from the market. It does nothing to incentivize homeownership for these residents which is truly the best way to decrease the wealth gap, create generational wealth, and protect these residents. We look forward to the outreach process to create anti-displacement policies in the Diridon Area that supports the entire community.

Regards,



Doug Goss  
2021 President, Santa Clara County Association of REALTORS®

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**RE: May 25, 2021 City Council Agenda Item 10.3 GP20-007 & C20-002  
Comments on DRAFT Amended Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP)**

Dear Mr. Mayor, Vice-Mayor & City Council

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments to you on the Draft Amended DSAP on behalf of PAC\* SJ and its members. These comments are in addition to any comments the City has received via other forums.

In short, PAC\* SJ is concerned about both what is absent from the amended draft of the DSAP, including but not limited to the following matters:

- 1) The amended DSAP Plan lacks reference as to how the historic Diridon Station itself “fits” within its namesake plan. It is the most iconic, prominent, unique feature to San Jose and yet, there is no statement of support for its existence going forward. San Jose’s failure to protect this structure sends a clear message to others who are currently or will be involved in private and multi-agency initiatives that San Jose is abdicating its voice in this matter; and,
- 2) Similar to our concern about the historic Diridon Station, the amended DSAP fails to establish a clear position of support for the protection and preservation of other historic buildings inside and outside the DSAP’s boundary that are either subject to direct demolition, or related negative impact from development within the DSAP; and,

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- 3) The absence of an updated DSAP EIR leaves developers and participants in multi-agency projects without up-to-date information that would otherwise inform the analysis of alternatives required by CEQA and the development of sensible mitigation measures. We disagree with the broad conclusions of the October 23, 2020 Circlepoint memo that there were no Substantial Changes to the DSAP Project, its Circumstances and Information Known. Relying on an EIR that was finalized in 2014, based on input from the community on a project that envisioned Major League Baseball stadium at its core appears to be an attempt to bypass San Jose’s responsibility to the people to properly analyze everything that will happen within this 262-acre planning area; and,
- 4) The review of Project Plans and EIRs for projects that will be located fully within the DSAP such as the Downtown West project is already proceeding in advance of finalizing the Diridon Station Area Plan and is being done so with a thin draft document that shows no recognition towards historic assets the City of San Jose should be protecting.

### **Mitigation Alternatives Analysis**

PAC\* SJ sees little to no connection between the mitigation measures listed in the Integrated Final Program EIR from August of 2014 and the amended DSAP. There is no apparent connection between the “alternatives” described in the 2014 DSAP EIR and the amended DSAP.

PAC\* SJ is seeking to understand why the City is not reconciling the mitigation and alternatives analysis it did in 2014 relative to historic resources within a DSAP that envisioned Major League Baseball stadium with the current DSAP. We are quite simply looking for data we can use to weigh in on a DSAP that we believe should point to a robust mitigation strategy and alternatives analysis that is commensurate with the significance of the area slated for development.

PAC\* SJ has noted in every community forum for which it has been invited the need for San Jose, as the Lead Agency for the DSAP, to take a position on the preservation of historic resources including but not limited to the following:

- **Preservation of the Diridon Station/Cahill Station Historic District.** Ideally, this will include all elements of this project (depot, outbuildings, platforms, signs, etc.). Should any entity seek to modify, move or demolish any of these historic elements, PAC\* SJ is seeking the City’s commitment to exercising an active role when working with public agencies such as the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, High Speed Rail Authority, BART, ACE Train, VTA, etc. or any other private entity in aggressively representing the interests of the people of San Jose in preserving and protecting this National Register-listed historic landmark district.

The only document covering mitigation of the Diridon Train Station and its various elements is the



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2014 Final DSAP Program EIR, which notes in Section 2.2.1 (Additions and Modifications to the Station) that the historic depot building will remain for passenger rail functions and that existing heavy rail platforms, LRT facilities, and pedestrian tunnel would also remain in their current locations and that new platforms for the HSR trains would be constructed approximately 60 feet above the existing at-grade platforms.” PAC\* SJ is painfully aware that the fairly detailed information that is included within the 2014 EIR regarding the disposition of the historic elements is almost completely absent and/or inconsistent with the limited information included within the amended DSAP document (e.g. there is zero language within the amended DSAP about saving the historic Diridon Station and resource and rail platforms at 25’ versus 60’ above grade). As such, there is woefully insufficient information to even discuss mitigation measures and alternatives. For this and other reasons, PAC\* SJ is asking the City to note specifically within the DSAP that projects within the DSAP area (e.g. Downtown West, DISC, etc.) must comply with CEQA and other ordinances relative to preservation.

- Preservation, relocation, and rehabilitation of impacted historic resources and Structures of Merit, including receiver site property acquisition.
- Proactive planning efforts and historic resource surveys in the surrounding Diridon Station Area, which will undoubtedly be subject to increased development pressure as a direct result of the Downtown West project.
- Required documentation of all impacted CEQA-eligible historic resources and Structures of Merit should include both interior and exterior documentation. Industrial resources should be documented to the standards of the Historic American Engineering Record.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments. We look forward to what we hope is a recognition by the City of the need to include the preservation of historic buildings and places such the Diridon Station/Cahill Station Historic District into all plans to be carried out by other organizations, business and agencies engaged in projects within the DSAP and its immediate vicinity.

Sincerely,

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