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To: Mountain View City Council  
From: Joel Dean, 750 N. Shoreline Blvd., MV  
Subject: Community Shuttle

I am overjoyed and relieved to see Community Shuttle funding becoming independent of Google, and progress being made toward integrating the shuttle with MVgo. It is welcome news that the staff recognizes that local residents use public transit as much or more than out-of-town commuters. The ridership data shows that except for its trunk route on El Camino, VTA service in Mountain View is feeble and desperately needs to be supplemented.

\$3.5 million a year is a bargain for so essential a service. The shuttle could be run for more than a year with the amount of money spent acquiring 1/6 of an acre of sidewalk for the Shoreline Reversible Bus Lane, six years for the cost of the whole bus lane project, or 300 years for the cost of the Autonomous Guideway Transit System. It would carry several times as many passengers as those showpiece projects.

Thank you in advance for approving the staff recommendation.