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Dear Mayor Ramirez and members of the Mountain View City Council,

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the city's recent draft of the Housing Element, particularly in regards to the inclusion of our office at **204 Stierlin Road** in the site inventory. CSA remains open to any possible solution that would allow us to address our facility needs, including partnerships with the city or county which will include affordable housing, but it is becoming increasingly clear that relocation in the immediate or short-term is just not an option in Mountain View's highly competitive and expensive commercial real estate market.

At our meeting in late April, the board approved a concept to move forward with remodeling our property at 204 Stierlin Road for all office use, and acquiring (eg, purchase, donation, lease, etc.) additional property for storage and/or distribution of tangible goods (diapers, formula, backpacks, etc.) and food. We do not yet have a formal plan, architectural drawings or the additional warehouse space yet. And we have not yet embarked on a capital campaign to raise the money for this concept, but we are rapidly moving in that direction.

At this time, and without a partnership and plan in place, we do not see it as realistic expect that housing will be developed at that site within the next 8 years.

CSA is still very open and flexible to look at available options, especially options which would include a partnership which would meet our space needs **and** provide affordable housing. As an organization, we are strong advocates for more affordable housing in the community we serve. But we need to do something about our facility now, as our building is 30 years old and already in need of things like a new roof, HVAC, elevator, etc. And the action by the CSA board may have an impact on how you address it in the Housing Element.

For other items in the housing element, CSA remains supportive of Goal 3: A comprehensive suite of housing opportunities and services to prevent, respond to, and address displacement and homelessness and is happy to partner with the city to implement these programs as we have in the past.

Kind regards,

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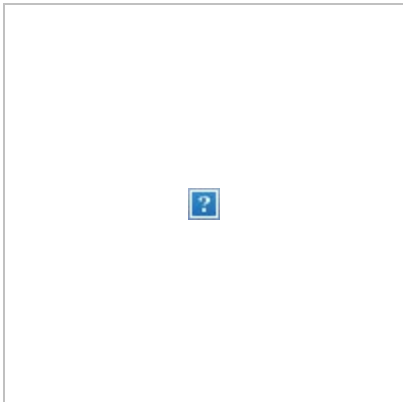
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