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To: [Ramirez, Lucas](#); [Hicks, Alison](#); [Abe-Koga, Margaret](#); [Kamei, Ellen](#); [Lieber, Sally](#); [Matichak, Lisa](#); [Showalter, Pat](#)
Cc: [Marlee Smith](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Middlefield Park
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Attachments: [Middlefield Park - Mountain View City Council - 11.15.22.pdf](#)

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached letter from the Silicon Valley Leadership Group in support of the Middlefield Park Master plan which will be on the agenda for next week's meeting.

Thank you in advance for your continued vision to transform outdated and underutilized office buildings and parking lots into a walkable neighborhood with new homes, parks, amenities, and jobs

Regards,

Vince Rocha (he/him)

Vice President, Housing & Community Development

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We've got a new office! As of October 1, our new headquarters will be at 2460 North First Street, Suite 260, San Jose, CA 95131.



From: [Douglas M. Chesshire](#)
To: [City Council](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Carpenter Support Letter_Middlefield Park Master Plan
Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 12:49:25 PM
Attachments: [Google Middlefield Park Master Plan City Council.pdf](#)

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Greetings,

Please see that a copy of the attached letter makes it to the City Council Members prior the November 15th meeting.

Thank you,

Doug Chesshire

Senior Field Representative

Nor Cal Carpenters Union

Santa Clara, San Mateo, San Benito, Santa Cruz & Monterey Counties

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To: [_City Clerk](#); [Ramirez, Lucas](#); [Hicks, Alison](#); [Abe-Koga, Margaret](#); [Kamei, Ellen](#); [Lieber, Sally](#); [Matichak, Lisa](#); [Showalter, Pat](#)
Subject: Middlefield Park Master Plan
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Good afternoon,

Please find attached a letter from David Bini, Executive Director, Santa Clara & San Benito Counties Building & Construction Trades Council.

Thank you and Have a wonderful evening,
Norene

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From: [BRUCE KARNEY](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Brooke Ray Smith](#); [Nikki Lowy](#); [Hagan, Lindsay](#); [Planning Division](#)
Subject: Carbon Free MV Endorses Middlefield Park Project
Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022 2:45:20 PM

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Dear Council Members,

Carbon Free Mountain View has received two briefings by Google and LendLease on the Middlefield Park Proposal, the most recent coming at a General Meeting on Aug. 18, 2022 that was held via Google Meet.

The CFMV members who attended the meeting voted to formally endorse the Middlefield Park Proposal. (Council member Showalter attended the meeting but recused herself from the decision by logging off prior to the voting.)

CFMV urges your approval of the project. We believe that this project will create an attractive new "urban village" of the kind that the City has endorsed for the last 10+ years. We are impressed by the high percentage of affordable residential units as well as other features of the proposal.

Speaking for myself alone, I think there is good reason to believe that once it is complete the innovative design of the new neighborhood will make it the least carbon-intensive neighborhood in Mountain View. As such, I expect it will inspire other large-scale redevelopments to match or exceed what Google and LendLease intend to accomplish.

Cheers,
Bruce Karney
Chair, Carbon Free Mountain View

From: [Peter Katz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Item 7.3 for Nov 15 City Council Meeting
Date: Friday, November 11, 2022 9:34:29 AM

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To: Mountain View City Council
Re: Item 7.3 - Middlefield Park Master Plan
Council Meeting Date: November 15, 2022

Dear esteemed members of the Mountain View City Council

The Mountain View Chamber of Commerce wishes to thank you for this opportunity to voice its support of the City Staff's recommendation to approve Google and Lendlease's Middlefield Park Master Plan.

The Chamber represents over 750 businesses in Mountain View, and recognizes that economic growth requires more than office space. Every sizable construction project must include consideration for affordable housing, public open space, sustainability, and mobility - in addition to increasing retail and commercial opportunities. The Middlefield Park Master Plan addresses all of these areas and more, while remaining compliant with the City's East Whisman Precise Plan:

- Up to 50,000 square feet of public retail and community spaces, featuring street-level shops, dining and other activities
- Up to 1,900 new homes, 20% of which will be affordable at a range of below-market rates.
- 12+ acres of public open space, 7 acres of which will be given to the City for public parks and recreation.
- 3+ miles of new walking and cycling trails, including bike-pedestrian path links to Stevens Creek Trail, the Bay Trail, and Mountain View and Sunnyvale downtowns.
- 24/7 carbon-free buildings, with industry-leading green building standards across the project.

Regarding commercial and economic opportunity, its small business program will prioritize financial and in-kind support for small, local businesses owned by women and individuals from underserved backgrounds, as well as emerging small businesses and nonprofits, to help them stabilize and grow. The project will contribute \$30M in community benefits (significantly more than the \$19M required), including \$18.6M for a small business diversification and nonprofit inclusion program. In addition, the project will bring significant additional annual property tax revenue to the City, County and school districts, as well as one-time impact fee payments towards needed City services such as housing and transportation.

The Chamber supports the City's vision of a vibrant city that invites merchants, shoppers, visitors, and residents to work, live, play and shop. Middlefield Park conforms to this vision while complying with City requirements. The project is poised to be both an anchor and a catalyst for the broader evolution of the 400-acre East Whisman area into a sustainable, transit-oriented residential neighborhood and employment center, as outlined in the City's East Whisman Precise Plan.

We urge the City Council to support City Staff's recommendation for approval.

Thank you

Peter Katz
President & CEO
Mountain View Chamber of Commerce

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Mountain View Chamber of Commerce & Foundation

 
 




From: [Barbara Kelsey](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Gita Dev](#); [REDACTED]; [linda](#); [Alice Kaufman](#); [Shani Kleinhaus](#); [James Eggers](#)
Subject: Joint letter re: Google Middlefield Park Master Plan
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To: City Council
City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street
Mountain View, CA 94041

November 11, 2022

Re: Google Middlefield Park Master Plan

Dear Mayor Ramirez and Council members,

The undersigned environmental organizations are pleased to support Google's Middlefield Park Master Plan (Plan). The Plan realizes the vision of the East Whisman Precise Plan for innovation and sustainability, for increased canopy and native vegetation, and for ecological connectivity and resiliency. We appreciate the effort to transform an area that today consists of parking lots and older office buildings into a mixed-use neighborhood with parks, trees and habitat. Please see our full comment letter attached.

Sincerely,

Gita Dev, Co-Chair, Sustainable Land Use Committee
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

Rani Fischer, Environmental Advocacy Assistant
Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society

Linda Ruthruff, Conservation Chair
California Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Valley Chapter

Alice Kaufman, Policy and Advocacy Director
Green Foothills

Sent by:

Barbara Kelsey

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Chapter Coordinator

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the best contact method.

From: [Maria Aguilar](#)
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Cc: [Enrique Arguello](#); [Luis Arguello](#)
Subject: Mountain View Middlefield Park Support Letter
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Good Afternoon,

Please find attached Mountain View Middlefield Park Support Letter.

Respectfully,

Maria Aguilar, Office Manager

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Mobile: [REDACTED] Ext. 236



From: [Lenny's Sonic](#)
To: [Ramirez, Lucas](#); [Hicks, Alison](#); [Lieber, Sally](#); [Showalter, Pat](#); [Kamei, Ellen](#); [Abe-Koga, Margaret](#); [Matichak, Lisa](#)
Cc: [City Council](#)
Subject: Subsurface Contamination in Middlefield Park area
Date: Saturday, November 12, 2022 7:52:19 PM

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TO: Mountain View City Council

FROM: Lenny Siegel, Center for Public Environmental Oversight

SUBJECT: Subsurface Contamination in Middlefield Park area

DATE: For November 15 Council meeting

Since the early 1980s, I and organizations that I work with have overseen the investigation and remediation of subsurface contamination in Mountain View, particularly chlorinated solvents found at historical industrial and “dry” cleaning properties. While our principal focus has been the protection of public health, a closely related objective has been to enable the safe reuse of contaminated property, even for sensitive uses such as housing.

Working with U.S. EPA and state environmental agencies, Mountain View has become a national leader in planning for the safe reuse of property subject to vapor intrusion, the migration of toxic volatile substance from the subsurface into overlying building.

My organization has prepared two related articles arguing that it is safe and appropriate to build housing on Mountain View’s contaminated properties. While we have made several recommendations to strengthen existing protections, we feel comfortable that the housing planned for Middlefield Park can be safe for all segments of our population.

You can view these articles at <http://www.cpeo.org/pubs/MEWHousingIntro.pdf> and <http://www.cpeo.org/pubs/MEWHousingMemo.pdf> .

Lenny Siegel



<http://lennysiegel.users.sonic.net/web/>

Author: *DISTURBING THE WAR: The Inside Story of the Movement to Get Stanford University out of Southeast Asia - 1965–1975* (See <http://a3mreunion.org>)



November 13, 2022

Re: Item 7.3 – Middlefield Park Master Plan

Dear Mayor Ramirez and Members of the City Council:

The LWV supports government action to provide affordable housing for all Californians. As such, we have been enthusiastic about the Middlefield Park Master Plan throughout the process, with its large amount of housing around transit with planned amenities.

We accept the results of the independent analysis of the BMR Alternative Mitigation, and we would like to reiterate its finding that the affordable housing is predicated on “significant external funding sources.” As Council was made aware in their August review of the Affordable Housing Strategic Plan, there is a major shortfall in the City’s internal funding availability. Other funding sources also remain very competitive.

As such, we would like to see Google, Lendlease, and the City continue to work on providing concrete steps to ensure that this housing does get built. This is especially important because Mountain View’s draft Housing Element depends on this and North Bayshore for a large portion of its site inventory, as mentioned in the “Progress in Meeting the RHNA” and “Specific/Master Plan Areas” sections of the [HCD review letter](#).

(Please send any questions about this email to Kevin Ma at housing@lwvlamv.org)

Thank you for considering our input.

Karin Bricker, President of the LWV of Los Altos-Mountain View

cc: Lindsay Hagan Aarti Shrivastava Dawn Cameron John Marchant Kimbra McCarthy