

**CALIFORNIA
RENTERS LEGAL
ADVOCACY AND
EDUCATION FUND**

October 24, 2022

**City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street
Mountain View, CA 94041**

Re: Proposed 334 San Antonio Road Housing Development.

Dear City Council and City Attorney:

The California Renters Legal Advocacy and Education Fund (CaRLA) submits this letter to inform the Mountain View City Council that they have an obligation to abide by all relevant state housing laws when evaluating the proposed 334 San Antonio Road mixed-use housing development. The Housing Accountability Act (GOV 65589.5) requires approval of zoning and general plan compliant projects unless findings can be made regarding specific, objective, written health and safety hazards.

As you are well aware, California remains in the throes of a statewide crisis-level housing shortage. New housing such as this is a public benefit; it will bring increased tax revenue, new customers to local businesses, decarbonization in the face of climate crisis, but most importantly it will reduce displacement of existing residents into homelessness or carbon-heavy car commutes.

CaRLA is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation whose mission includes advocating for increased access to housing for Californians at all income levels, including low-income households. Consistent with the general plan, the proposed mixed-use development will provide badly needed housing and is located in close proximity to several public transportation options, resulting in fewer private vehicle trips and a net benefit to existing traffic levels of service. In addition, the proposed development will complement the surrounding neighborhood and include improvements that support pedestrian and bicycle mobility.

While no one project will solve the regional housing crisis, the proposed 334 San Antonio Road development is the kind of housing Mountain View needs to mitigate displacement, provide shelter for its growing population, and arrest unsustainable housing price appreciation. You may learn more about CaRLA at www.carlaef.org.

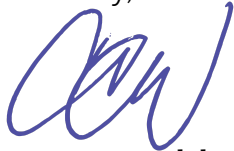
Sincerely,



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'CW', is positioned above the printed name of Courtney Welch.

Courtney Welch
CaRLA Director of Planning and Investigation