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To: [Ramirez, Lucas](#); [Hicks, Alison](#); [Abe-Koga, Margaret](#); [Kamei, Ellen](#); [Lieber, Sally](#); [Matichak, Lisa](#); [Showalter, Pat](#)
Cc: [City Council](#)
Subject: Housing Element & Commercial Development Impacts
Date: Monday, June 13, 2022 9:45:58 AM
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From: [Yahoo Step-Up](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: eliminating shopping in favor of housing`
Date: Monday, June 13, 2022 10:29:27 AM

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Please do not consider eliminating any merchandising and shopping areas from the City of Mountain View. Please do not consider removing them to more distant locations in favor of housing.

Forcing people into longer and longer travel for essential goods and needs will only increase traffic and parking problems and contribute to automobile pollution.

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June 10, 2022

Mayor Lucas Ramirez and City Council
City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street
Mountain View, CA 94041

SUBJECT: 2023-2031 Housing Element, Request to Remove Medical Offices Surrounding El Camino Hospital from Back-Pocket Opportunity Sites

Dear Mayor Ramirez and Members of the City Council:

We support the recommendation of staff not to include the South Drive area around El Camino Hospital in the Housing Element due to the lack of interest in building housing in this area, existing uses, and limitations to residential development during the next eight years.

We request that all references to Back-Pocket rezoning opportunities that could be carried out for the small offices surrounding El Camino Hospital and for the medical offices along South Drive be removed from the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

The El Camino Medical Park Precise Plan, which encompasses this area, was originally adopted in 1969. From the first writing and throughout the past 52 years the purpose of the El Camino Medical Park Precise Plan was to ensure sufficient land to accommodate growth in quality medical service for the community. El Camino Health has made significant investments to ensure that we continue to provide quality medical services for the community.

Specifically, in the May 6, 2022 draft Housing Element, I respectfully request that the City Council make the following changes:

- In *Table 1: Housing Element Programs, 1.6 No Net Loss*, delete the "Office sites along South Drive" bullet (p.16).
- In *Local Data and Knowledge*, delete the "Small offices surrounding El Camino Hospital along Grant Road south of El Camino Real;" bullet (p.239).

While we agree that housing is a significant issue, this should not happen at the expense of meeting the healthcare needs of our community. Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or to Jon Cowan, our Senior Director of Government Relations & Community Partnerships, with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dan Woods", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dan Woods
Chief Executive Officer