



Mayor Alison Hicks and Councilmembers
City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street, 3rd Floor
Mountain View, CA 94041

June 12, 2023

Via electronic mail

Re: Google North Bayshore Master Plan – Support

Dear Mayor Hicks and Mountain View City Council,

Google is a trusted partner of Housing Trust Silicon Valley due to our shared commitment to a vision of equitable and inclusive housing opportunities for all our neighbors. For this reason, **Housing Trust Silicon Valley strongly urges Council to adopt the staff recommendation to certify the North Bay Master Plan Subsequent Environmental Impact Report and approve a Development Agreement with Google to proceed with the Plan as defined.**

We believe that this Master Plan will help the City of Mountain View realize the vision outlined in the City's North Bayshore Precise Plan. It will transform outmoded office park areas into new walkable neighborhoods that center people and community instead of cars. As your local Housing Trust, we are especially enthusiastic about the roughly 7,000 new homes envisioned, with 15% of those homes available at below-market rates. Though we preferred a larger number of affordable homes, there are many competing concerns, and we would not want to delay this approval.

Google has demonstrated a significant commitment to making housing affordable and accessible, as evidenced by their financial investments in affordable housing, most of which were made in partnership with Housing Trust Silicon Valley. In just the first half of 2023, Google has

closed loans with us to fund 488 total homes, with 1,171 additional homes in the pipeline. All told, in their partnership with Housing Trust Google has made funds available to developers to build 4,673 affordable homes for our Silicon Valley neighbors.

We urge the approval of the North Bayshore Master Plan so that Google can move forward with this community centered plan that contributes to our affordable housing stock, as well as the market rate housing stock that is still severely lacking in our region.

Sincerely,

Housing Trust Silicon Valley

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Re: North Bayshore Master Plan

Dear Mayor Hicks and Councilmembers,

I write on behalf of the over 35,000 members of the Santa Clara and San Benito Counties Building Trades Council in support of the North Bayshore Master Plan. The Plan brings the City of Mountain View one step closer to its North Bayshore Precise Plan vision. The North Bayshore Master Plan will transform an existing office park into a walkable neighborhood with employment opportunities, added tax revenue, new homes, restaurants, and neighborhood services. Further, the North Bayshore Master Plan will provide thousands of construction jobs for the region's skilled workforce, with union wages and benefits to support working families, as well as economic opportunity for small businesses, nonprofit inclusion, and more.

The North Bayshore Master Plan would also increase the tax revenue for the City, County, and local school districts. The Plan would generate 7,000 new homes, 15% of which would be designated affordable housing units. The North Bayshore Master Plan addresses a vital City goal of providing more equitable and inclusive housing opportunities in Mountain View, meeting the need for below market rate housing and essential supportive services for residents. In addition, the Plan envisions over three miles of walking and cycling trails. The Plan actively contributes to the City's green space by proposing 26 acres of new parks and a commitment to native plant species.

The North Bayshore Master Plan is a solid win for Mountain View, its residents, and its workforce, and I urge your approval of this plan.

Sincerely,

David Bini
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