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Re: Google Master Plan

Pop goes the weasel.

The Google Master Plan for 350 affordable "inclusionary" housing units turns out to mean "illusionary" housing units. Oh well, "inclusionary" is a social engineering term, and therefore implies wishful thinking. (It also gets flagged by spell-checker for not being an English word.) So much for "community for all." North Bayshore is to become a hodgepodge of clans, tribes, and castes -- separate and unequal.

I recommend Council condition approval of the Master Plan on an irrevocable agreement by Google to construct a Safe Parking structure to accommodate 350 RV dwellings. It should be tall enough and close enough to cast its shadow over the Googleplex from dawn to dusk.

Speaking of wishful thinking, it infects the transportation engineering profession too. The Shoreline gateway to North Bayshore is currently gridlocked in the AM peak, with queues on the freeway exit extending out of sight, Shoreline backed up from La Avenida to Terra Bella, and Avenida and the 101S off-ramp frequently frequently blocked. This is happening even though traffic volumes have not increased since 2022, when they were significantly lower than before the pandemic and there was no congestion. Google's and Sywest's development plans portend a traffic catastrophe. I have requested but not yet received a link to the appendices to the Multi-Modal Transportation Analysis, which might shed some light on how dire the situation may become.

As noted philosopher Mike Tyson is alleged to have said, "Everybody's got a plan till they get punched in the mouth." Continuing to pursue plans which the pandemic punched squarely in the mouth will not produce a favorable outcome.

Thank you for your attention.