From:

Miguel Sanchez

Sent:

Sunday, January 24, 2021 11:38 PM

To:

City.Council

Cc:

Miguel Sanchez; Kara Sanchez

Subject:

An update on our Latino Community from the Sanchez family

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MV City Council,

Greetings to all of you and welcome to our new council members Lieber and Showalter. I'd like to take this opportunity to give you an update on our family's experience helping the Latino community of Mountain View navigate the multiple crises of 2020-2021.

For those of you we haven't met, I'm a 25 year resident of Mountain view, having moved here from Mexico to work at Apple. My wife, Kara, is a Wisconsin native and a lecturer in Spanish at Stanford. As a graduate of the city's Spanish Civic Leadership Academy in 2017, I have become deeply involved with our Latino community. This involvement has taken an increased sense of urgency over the past year and has necessitated a deeper commitment of time and money on the part of our family. I last wrote to you in May 2020, when the main issues related to the CSA Rental Assistance program. We have seen many new challenges develop since then.

After the initial impact of the Shelter-In-Place orders in the spring, the summer brought slight relief to our community, many of whom work as house cleaners, senior care aids, restaurant workers, gardeners, day care workers, and nannies. Although many returned to their jobs, over all they experienced a reduction in hours and/or clients. This meant they needed to cover their expenses by tapping into savings (if they had any), applying for CSA rental assistance, or arranging personal loans from close family and friends.

This situation got significantly more complicated when the summer/early-fall COVID surge hit. At this point, our community started contracting the virus, something that had mostly been avoided in the spring. The speed of this crisis accelerated in November and December. For example, during this period, the Cafecitos email list at MVHS was averaging announcements of multiple affected families per week. A frequent pattern with COVID affected families has been the following: one member gets infected which often starts a chain reaction of infections through the whole family; This requires a quarantine period lasting from several weeks to a few months depending on the number of people who have contracted the illness. Many have reported debilitating symptoms as well as extended "long haul" effects. Given the nature of their jobs, COVID exposure usually introduces a 1-2 month income gap for the family. What was already a difficult financial situation due to the slow economy becomes a catastrophic event for many. Rent continues to be a problem during this time, but so does food and basic expenses.

The hardships in the community during 2020 made it clear that our family needed to step up our involvement. We started with small donations of emergency money but lately have needed to help with full rent payments or larger expenses, particularly with families that go through the COVID experience. We estimate that we might have helped with about \$50K of direct cash assistance during 2020 and have currently budgeted \$100K of our personal funds for 2021, as we expect this crisis to continue.

While established agencies like CSA and food banks, and others have been of great help, we started noticing many families that have simply exhausted all their sources of income or attempt to subsist on only a few hundred dollars a month. Our approach has been direct cash aid with almost no strings attached other that an informal intake conversation with us. Many of these families are at the end of their rope and simply don't have the luxury of time anymore for the most basic expenses. A cash donation sometimes has life changing consequences, or prevents them from falling into a completely different level of subsistence. We have seen this play out more than once now.

What motivated us to take this step was the realization that our own Latino leaders in the community were and are suffering. Many people in important volunteer positions in our schools, activists helping the community in various causes, and front line volunteers distributing food to the RV community are now themselves in dire financial straits. You've probably even met some of them in various meetings while advocating their causes.

These are the patterns we've seen during our efforts

- 1) Many families have exhausted the 2 month CSA rent help limit, not all of them took it consecutively. Along these lines, we've seen that even with the eviction moratorium in place, people make it a priority to pay their rent. Out of fear of falling too far behind, they are forgoing food, and taking personal loans from friends or accruing credit card debt. There is also continued delays in CSA processing of applications, and we have personally have had to make rent payments for key members of our community while the CSA application goes through.
- 2) During our intake conversations with the families we engage with, the topic of mental health in some of their children (teenagers and young adults) has started to come up inadvertently. This is in addition to the major stress that the adults themselves are facing. Severe depression in adults is also a common theme we hear.
- 3) There is an uptick in family breakdown, often with men abandoning their partners. In all of the cases we've seen, the woman of the household is left with the children. The loss of the man's income along with the emotional stress on the mother and children have led to a particularly acute crisis for these individuals.
- 4) The heads of households are often dealing with multiple crises at a time, to the point where it becomes hard for them to think clearly about what steps to take. We've noticed that in addition to the monetary help we can provide, for many of them, simply having someone talk to them about their issues or more calmly brainstorm solutions is just as useful.
- 5) In addition to the economic and health crises, some in our community are also dealing with immigration issues as they try to navigate the legal paths of their applications. All victims of the current recent immigration policies that have had a severe effect on the LEGAL migration paths. We have members in the community with spouses stuck in Mexico (while getting their Green Card) or here in the U.S. unable to continue with their regularization efforts.

We get our leads on families that need help though our own friends, but also via Nancy Ducos (the founder of the Leadership Academy), Maria Marroquin of the Day Worker Center, and from a bilingual coordinator at Mountain View High School. Our budget obviously doesn't allow for us to make a real dent in the problem, but over the year we estimate that we have been able to give some form of financial support to 20-30 families. While small, this sample is very representative of what's currently happening in the Mountain View Latino community. Our reason for writing you is simply to share this important information, so you can keep it in mind while continuing to make decisions on how to best address the challenges facing our city.

We are happy to answer any questions you might have on the experiences and patterns we're seeing in our community.

Thank you,

Miguel and Kara Sanchez

From:

Marchant, John

Sent:

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 4:47 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Monta Loma School Fencing and Communication to the Mountain View City Council

Good afternoon,

Thank you for sharing your comments related to the proposed fencing at Monta Loma School with the City of Mountain View. City Council and staff are aware of neighborhood concerns and are involved in ongoing discussions with members of the Mountain View Whisman School District regarding this project.

Recently, a group of elected officials and senior staff from both the City of Mountain View and Mountain View Whisman School District met to discuss the mutual concerns of the City, neighbors, and the school district. The members agreed to meet again through the project process and will continue discussions to help address concerns raised.

As you may be aware, the Mountain View Whisman School District is creating a "Representative Working Group" consisting of 9 members representing the Monta Loma neighborhood, school staff, and City staff. The first meeting is scheduled for February 25. The working group will report out to the public after each meeting in order to keep the community informed of its progress. For project information please visit

https://www.mvwsd.org/district business/facilities/school construction/monta loma elementary construction.

Thank you again for sharing your comments, John

John Marchant Community Services Director City of Mountain View

From:

Brent Schroeder

Sent:

Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:19 AM

To:

, City Clerk

Cc:

Chopra, Krishan; Kamei, Ellen; Ramirez, Lucas; Abe-Koga, Margaret; Lieber, Sally;

Matichak, Lisa; Showalter, Pat; McCarthy, Kimbra; Shrivastava, Aarti; , Planning Division

Subject:

Opposition to Proposed Monta Loma Park Fence Project

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Good morning,

I would like copies of any agenda packets that relate to the proposed fence at Monta Loma Park including all related CEQA notices pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21092.

My family and I reside at Thompson Ave, several hundred feet from the school. Both of our children go to Monta Loma Elementary and while we support school safety measures, we are very opposed to the project as proposed. Moreover, so are the majority of Monta Loma neighbors.

The School District seems to be moving quickly on this project with little input from the neighbors and most of us only recently became aware of the District's plans. Since this is a City-owned park, the project would be discretionary and subject to CEQA.

Please send me links or digital copies of the requested documents at your earliest convenience.

Best,

Brent

Brent Schroeder

From:

Marchant, John

Sent:

Thursday, January 21, 2021 5:45 PM

To:

Cc:

City.Council

Subject:

FW: OPERATIONAL - Fencing Monta Loma Park

Good evening Heather,

I hope the following will answer your questions, and again thank you for following up with us. The City of Mountain View completed the most recent Parks and Open Space Plan in 2014. This document can be found on the City of Mountain View website and at the following link CMV Parks & Open Space Plan 2014. Since 2014, the City has been able to open three new parks for our residents including Heritage Park, Wyandotte Park and Evandale Park. In addition, McKelvey has undergone a remodel and now offers a new Schafer Park located adjacent to the fields. The City currently offers approximately 190 acres of open space throughout the City, not including the open space in the North Bayshore (located north of Highway 101) which totals an additional 800 acres.

There are eleven parks/school sites located South of El Camino and include Gemello, McKelvey, Schaefer, Graham, Bubb, Huff, Cuesta, Cooper, Springer, Mountain View High School and Varsity Parks. The total acreage of these open spaces is approximately 96 acres.

There are twenty-nine parks/school sites located North of El Camino and include Castro, Chetwood, Eagle, Fairmont, Landels, Magnolia, Mariposa, Mercy/Bush, Sylvan, Wyandotte, Evandale, Devonshire, Creekside, Crittenden, Dana, Del Medio, Jackson, Klein, Monta Loma, Rengstorff, Rex Manor, San Vernon, Sierra Vista, Slater, Stevenson, Thaddeus, Whisman, Heritage and Pioneer Parks. The total acres of open space North of El Camino Real is approximately 95 acres.

The North Bayshore area located North of 101 has three Parks that include Charleston, Shoreline Regional Park, and Shoreline Athletic Fields. This open space totals approximately 803 acres of Park space.

Within the Plan on pages 101 and 102, each park/school site is identified with associated acreage.

The City's goal is to provide 3 acres of open space per 1,000 residents. The Plan states the City provided 2.58 acres per 1,000 residents in 2014. This number does not include the North Bayshore area. When the North Bayshore open space is added, the City provides over 13 acres of open space per 1,000 residents.

The City currently has an additional four parks currently under construction or in design that will total an additional 4.5 acres to the City's open space in the near future. The Community Services Department staff along with our Real Property Manager look for opportunities to grow our parks system. Most recently, the City purchased what is now Wyandotte Park. This site was previously a privately owned property with a dog kennel. The City successfully purchased the property and develop a park on the site that opened in October.

I hope this information is helpful, Iohn John Marchant Community Services Director City of Mountain View From: Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2021 11:29 AM To: City.Council < City.Council@mountainview.gov > Subject: Re: Fencing Monta Loma Park CAUTION: EXTERNAL EMAIL - Ensure you trust this email before clicking on any links or attachments. Hello, I don't appear to have received an email responding to my specific questions. You must have these numbers at your fingertips while you consider this issue. Is there somewhere on the Internet I can find them? Thanks. Heather On Monday, January 11, 2021, 07:38:28 AM PST, > wrote: Dear Council Members, I am writing to ask what percentage of city parks are available to those of us who live to the South of El Camino Real. We have small parks with play structures, and I am glad we have those, but where is the green space where children can run around and play games. What is the percentage of open space that Mountain View is committed to provide per housing unit, and what percentage is actually available. Restricting access to Monta Loma Park will change that, but I understand it is not a city owned park, but is owned by the school district, so it shouldn't count in the calculations, should it? I look forward to hearing from you with the numbers. Obviously, I am against the fencing around Monta Loma Park.

Sincerely,

Heather Cowper

From:

Darcy Koch

Sent:

Sunday, January 24, 2021 4:41 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Monta Loma Park Fencing

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Hello City Council,

I have not heard a response from my previous email. I am asking you to address this petition.

https://www.change.org/p/mountain-view-whisman-school-district-preserve-monta-loma-park

Thanks,

Darcy Koch

From:

Raymond Arnaudo

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 9:25 AM

To:

City.Council; preservemontalomapark@gmail.com

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Subject:

The fence around Monta Loma

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I live in the Monta Loma area, and went to elementary school there, and played Little League baseball there...we seem to have survived for many years without a fence, and I oppose construction as currently planned.

- 1) please describe the problem for the neighborhood? Why, after 60 years of life around Monta Loma Without a fence, do we need a fence?
- 2) aren't there better ways to spend taxpayers money?
- 3) how much exactly will the fence cost?
- 4) what projects would we forego, in order to pay for this fence?

Ray Arnaudo, Alvin Street

From:

Julie Gerdes ·

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 9:55 PM

To:

, City Clerk

Subject:

City Council Meeting January 26th

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Hello,

I registered to make a brief statement about the fencing plan at Monta Loma. I'm vehemently opposed to their current plan.

I understand Dr, Rudolph plans to present at this meeting. Has his presentation been made available? Would be helpful to see if he has anything new to say since the last time he spoke at a council meeting. My worry is he's coming to give the same lip service he's been giving since more voices in opposition came to the forefront.

My question is: What have they done to actually address the concerns of the majority of Monta Loma residents? Because from my vantage point, they haven't done anything. They are placating, holding all the cards with no intention of compromise.

Thank You,
Julie Gerdes
Monta Loma Resident and Park Lover.

From:

Heather Schöll ·

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 10:13 PM

To:

Rebecca Westover; Ayindé Rudolph

Cc: Subject: City.Council; trustees; McCarthy, Kimbra; Marchant, John

December postcard

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Hi Dr. Westover,

I was just catching up on the latest about the park situation in Monta Loma and it was raised that the School District sent a postcard to the neighborhood of Monta Loma. I hadn't seen one arrive in our mail, so I asked on one of our group email lists, and of those who replied, the overwhelming majority said they did not receive the postcard.

I fear that was not a terribly effective address list that was used to reach us, and it brings to question the intention to reach the whole neighborhood for your request for members to be part of the working group committee.

I would like to request that your team suspend choosing the representative until you have properly notified *via mail* **ALL the residents of the Monta Loma Neighborhood** – the homes bordered by Middlefield, Rengstorff, Central, and San Antonio. Not just those adjacent to the school.

-Heather

Heather Landers Schoell
Alvin St.
Mountain View, CA 94043

From:

Mark Potsdam

Sent:

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:43 AM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Agenda 3.4 on 1/26/2021

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Honorable City Council Members,

I would like to comment on item Agenda Item 3.4 regarding the MVWSD School Fencing.

As a 20 year resident of Monta Loma, "our" school park has been an integral part of the neighborhood. It promotes socializing, exercise, team sports, and play for kids and dogs due to its open environment and unfettered access throughout the day. I for one have been introduced to many of my neighbors there and meet them on a daily basis. The perimeter fencing as proposed by the MVWSD will do irreparable harm to this valuable neighborhood resource while being of questionable value to the intended objectives, not to mention being a big eyesore.

Unlike the process that was used to come up with the current plan and seemingly hidden in measure T, I hope that the Monta Loma school and parents, MVWSD, Monta Loma residents, and the MV city council can come up with a more equitable process with inputs from ALL the interested parties. I understand there are a range of safety issues prompting the fence, but these need to be clearly stated, realistically evaluated, and balanced against the needs of residents. Hopefully we can count on a mutually acceptable outcome with compromise on all sides. I urge the city council to represent the residents/taxpayers in this matter since you pay for park maintenance for the school district in order to provide much needed open space to MV residents. I also fully support my neighborhood representatives who have put a significant amount of time and energy into this issue.

In this case politics really is local, and in talking to a number of my neighbors this is a very important issue in our neighborhood. it would significantly impact our daily lives if the park became completely unavailable a good part of the day and its openness marred by an obtrusive fence.

I look forward to Dr. Rudolph's presentation and a substantive, clear, and even-handed discussion on the matter.

Regards,

Mark Potsdam
Whitney Dr

From:

Rose Baldwin <

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Sent:

Thursday, January 21, 2021 5:25 PM

To: Cc: City.Council Tom Myers

Subject:

Important message from CSA's Board of Directors

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Dear City Clerk,

With the ending of the state-wide eviction moratorium on February 1, we urge the City Council to put in place a Mountain View eviction moratorium - as you did in spring of 2020. COVID-19 is more rampant than ever; the service and hospitality sectors have not rebounded. Our clients, who are struggling to keep food on the table and a roof overhead, are growing in number, and they are hurting. A wave of post-moratorium evictions would further imperial them, their families, and our entire community.

Given the known importance of shelter for physical and emotional well-being (especially in a time of pandemic), we can expect that the expiration of the eviction moratorium could result in many negative consequences for our community as a whole:

- Residents feeling a growing sense of anxiety and desperation
- Renters losing shelter at the worst possible time, endangering their health and the health of the entire community
- Landlords losing an assured source of income, and under increased risk of higher vacancy rates in a time of lowered mobility
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From the very start of the COVID-19 crisis, Mountain View's rental assistance response has been exemplary, demonstrating what a caring community can do to protect and support its residents and businesses. The Mountain View combination of renter protection (eviction moratorium) and landlord protection (rental assistance program) has helped our community navigate an unprecedented crisis.

Between 3/16/2020 and 1/11/2021, CSA distributed almost \$4 million in rental assistance. Our data shows that 97% of residents who participated in the rental assistance program are at 80% Area Median Income (AMI) or below; more than half of participants (56%) are at 30% AMI or below. Of the 415 landlords who are the direct recipients of the rental assistance, 92% received 10 or fewer checks (60% of the total funds); 80% of landlords received 5 or fewer checks. Clearly, the rental assistance program is helping small, local, mom-and-pop businesses survive the current crisis. This is money that stays in the community and benefits the residents!

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Respectfully, Rose Baldwin President, CSA Board of Directors

From:

Hicks, Alison

Sent:

Friday, January 22, 2021 5:29 PM

To:

Gutierrez, Jeannette

Cc:

Tom Myers

Subject:

RE: POLICY - Important message from CSA's Board of Directors

Hi Rose,

Thank you for your message. I share your concerns. I expect you know that we have an item on our agenda this coming Tuesday to start a city eviction moratorium to bridge any possible gap between when the state moratorium expires and, hopefully, restarts. I will be supporting that agenda item.



Alison Hicks

Mountain View City Council

From: Gutierrez, Jeannette < Jeannette. Gutierrez@mountainview.gov>

Sent: Friday, January 22, 2021 3:16 PM

To: Councilmembers < CouncilMembers@mountainview.gov>; McCarthy, Kimbra

<Kimbra.McCarthy@mountainview.gov>; Chopra, Krishan <Krishan.Chopra@mountainview.gov>; Ramberg, Audrey Seymour <Audrey.Ramberg@mountainview.gov>; Wright, Lenka <Lenka.Wright@mountainview.gov>; Shrivastava, Aarti

<Aarti.Shrivastava@mountainview.gov>; Chen, Wayne <Wayne.Chen@mountainview.gov>

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From:

Steve Welter

Sent:

Friday, January 22, 2021 9:59 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Urgency Ordinance temporarily suspending evictions for nonpayment of rent by

residential tenants impacted by the COVID-19 Emergency.

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Please understand, the MV housing industry, all of us, have provided our services for FREE to many since this pandemic began. We have provided more support, in the form of free rent, than the city has provided in total. The vast majority of housing providers understand the situation and, at least in my case with the 500 units we own and manage, did not need the city or the state to tell us how to run our business. These people are our customers and we are not going to throw them out on the street. We were and continue to work with all residents and in return all we ask is that they work with us. That means making an effort, no matter how big or small, to pay their rent and show us they are willing to do what they can to meet their legal obligations. The city, state and federal laws & ordinances have done nothing but allow those that are willing to take advantage of the situation a path to do so and there are MANY that are doing so. The city & the state have given renters the ability to not pay any rent and to make NO effort to show that they are impacted or to what level they have been impacted by the pandemic. When you pass your next "urgency ordinance" which is a foregone conclusion, I only ask, no I require, that you provide the same protections for landlords and you hold accountable the renters as well. MAKE the renters prove they are financially impacted, make them show proof and continue to show proof, not just sign a one page document that says they have been impacted an let them live for free for months on end. If you chose to do this, then you, the City should pay the landlords rent so they can continue to house your citizens. AB3088 and the previously passed MV ordinances have not gone anywhere close the protections made to renters. We have not been paid for months by some residents, yet 2 weeks ago you sent out invoices for the landlords to pay for your CSFRA program. If we are not getting paid rent, how do you expect us to pay these invoices? Your lack of equal treatment to landlords in the past is water under the bridge and you can not change what you have already done, it's what you do next that matters. Make the right decisions!

Steve Welter CBW Properties, Inc

From:

Lisa McLain

Sent:

Sunday, January 24, 2021 2:35 PM

To:

Kamei, Ellen; Ramirez, Lucas; Hicks, Alison; Matichak, Lisa; Abe-Koga, Margaret;

Showalter, Pat; Lieber, Sally

Cc:

City.Council; McCarthy, Kimbra; Shrivastava, Aarti; Chopra, Krishan; Fazely, Diana

Subject:

Re: Council Meeting January 26, Agenda #4.2 Urgency Ordinance Extending Residential

Eviction Protections

Attachments:

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Dear Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council,

The League of Women Voters would like to comment on agenda item 4.2, please see the attached .pdf or the plain text below.

Sincerely,

Lisa McLain, president Donna Yobs, Co-Chair, Housing Committee League of Women Voters Los Altos Mountain View

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The LWV supports policies that protect tenants, and we believe this type of protection is urgently needed because COVID is still affecting the ability of many tenants to pay rent. We also understand that the State legislature is working on legislation, AB 16, to protect landlords against foreclosure. (For questions, please contact Donna Yobs at dmyobs@yahoo.com)

Lisa McLain, president Donna Yobs, Co-Chair, Housing Committee League of Women Voters Los Altos Mountain View



January 24, 2021

Mayor Ellen Kamei and Members of the City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

Re: Council Meeting January 26, Agenda #4.2 Urgency Ordinance Extending Residential Eviction Protections

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Lisa McLain, President, LWV of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area Donna Yobs, Co-Chair, Housing Committee

Cc: Kimbra McCarthy

Aarti Shrivastava

Krishan Chopra

Diane Fazely

From:

Doug DeLong <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 12:27 AM

To:

Kamei, Ellen; Ramirez, Lucas; Lieber, Sally; Showalter, Pat; Hicks, Alison; Matichak, Lisa;

Abe-Koga, Margaret

Cc:

City.Council; McCarthy, Kimbra; Shrivastava, Aarti; Chopra, Krishan; Fazely, Diana

Subject:

Council Meeting, January 26, Agenda 4.2 - Extending Eviction Protections

Attachments:

AAH Itr MV CC re Eviction Protections 20210126.pdf

Dear Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council,

Advocates for Affordable Housing (AAH), a volunteer group of Mountain View residents who support affordable housing for all socioeconomic levels, would like to comment on Agenda Item 4.2. Please see either the attached PDF or the plain text pasted below. This e-mail is being sent on behalf of Joan MacDonald for AAH.

Regards, Doug DeLong

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Advocates for Affordable Housing Emmons Drive Mountain View, CA 94043

January 24, 2021

Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

Re: Council Meeting, January 26, Agenda Item 4.2 - Urgency Ordinance Extending Residential Eviction Protections

Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

Advocates for Affordable Housing (AAH), a volunteer group of Mountain View residents who support affordable housing for all socioeconomic levels, urges you to extend the Urgency Ordinance for Residential Eviction Protections. The need for these protections is perhaps even more critical than when the initial protections were created.

We anticipate that the state legislature will also extend the protections for both renters and landlords but our residents deserve the security and relief that they will not face immediate eviction.

Clearly, the COVID 19 Pandemic is still with us and the end is not yet in sight. These protections will help the public health of our entire community.

We trust you will agree. Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this critical matter.

Sincerely,

Joan MacDonald for AAH

cc: Kimbra McCarthy, Aarti Shrivastava, Krishan Chopra, Diane Fazely

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Advocates for Affordable Housing 519 Emmons Drive Mountain View, CA 94043 (650) 967-4427

January 24, 2021

Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

Re: Council Meeting, January 26, Agenda Item 4.2 – Urgency Ordinance Extending Residential Eviction Protections

Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

Advocates for Affordable Housing (AAH), a volunteer group of Mountain View residents who support affordable housing for all socioeconomic levels, urges you to extend the Urgency Ordinance for Residential Eviction Protections. The need for these protections is perhaps even more critical than when the initial protections were created.

We anticipate that the state legislature will also extend the protections for both renters and landlords but our residents deserve the security and relief that they will not face immediate eviction.

Clearly, the COVID 19 Pandemic is still with us and the end is not yet in sight. These protections will help the public health of our entire community.

We trust you will agree. Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this critical matter.

Sincerely,

Joan MacDonald for AAH

cc: Kimbra McCarthy, Aarti Shrivastava, Krishan Chopra, Diane Fazely

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:	Lisa McLain < 3> Sunday, January 24, 2021 2:22 PM Kamei, Ellen; Ramirez, Lucas; Hicks, Alison; Matichak, Lisa; Abe-Koga, Margaret; Showalter, Pat; Lieber, Sally City.Council; McCarthy, Kimbra; Shrivastava, Aarti; Chen, Wayne Re: Council Meeting January 26, Agenda #7.1 Hotel Acquisition Opportunity – Crestview Hotel LWV Letter to MVCC re item 7.1 Crestview.pdf						
CAUTION: EXTERNAL EN	MAIL - Ensure you trust this email before clicking on any links or attachments.						
Dear Mayor Kamei and Mem	bers of the City Council,						
The League of Women Voters would like to comment on agenda item 7.1, please see the attached .pdf or plain text below.							
Sincerely,							
Lisa McLain, president League of Women Voters Los Altos Mountain View							
Included Text ———							
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January 24, 2021

Mayor Ellen Kamei and Members of the City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

Re: Council Meeting January 26, Agenda #7.1 Hotel Acquisition Opportunity – Crestview Hotel at 901 East El Camino Real

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Lisa McLain, President, LWV of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area Donna Yobs, Co-Chair, Housing Committee

Cc: Kimbra McCarthy Aarti Shrivastava Wayne Chen

From:

Wei Liu <

Sent:

Sunday, January 24, 2021 3:48 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Concerns about city acquiring the Crestview Hotel

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Hi City Council,

I am the homeowner of crestview dr unit I am writing to express my concern about the city's proposal to acquire The Crestview Hotel for homeless. I am concerned about the security and price drop of my property. There is a lot of other homeowners having similar concerns. So I urge the city not to proceed with the proposal.

Thanks, Wei Liu

Sent from my iPhone

From:		

Sent:

Sunday, January 24, 2021 4:04 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Deep concern and protest for Crestview Hotel for homeless proposal

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Hello Mountain View County,

I am a resident and home owner of Crestview Dr. It is shocking to hear that Mountain View is proposing to acquire Crestview Hotel(right next to our unit) for homeless.

We support the idea of helping the homeless. But it should be at the cost of significant hurting our condo property value.

As you know, we all suffered greatly in the past year and the condo market value has been proudly affected by the Covid. We bought our unit at 1 million last year but now the market price is only at 850k while single family home value is sky rocketing. There is no doubt that if the Crestview hotel for homeless proposal is passed, our condo value will never coming back and we will be bankrupt.

Most condo owners will also have to sell their condos and leave Mountain View to stop the loss.

Mountain View county should also care for the condo owners and improve the security of the neighborhood, not just caring for homeless at a cost of hurting the poor condo owners like us and tax payers permanently.

Thank you so much for listening to our voice and treat our protest seriously. We urge the county to drop this heartbreaking proposal and come out with a new one that benefit everyone including tje county, local home ownwers, tax payers and residents, as well as the homeless.

Thanks, Jay

From:

Doug DeLong <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 12:59 AM

To:

Kamei, Ellen; Ramirez, Lucas; Lieber, Sally; Showalter, Pat; Hicks, Alison; Matichak, Lisa;

Abe-Koga, Margaret

Cc:

City.Council; McCarthy, Kimbra; Shrivastava, Aarti; Chen, Wayne

Subject:

Council Meeting, January 26, Agenda 7.1 - Crestview Hotel Acquisition Opportunity

Attachments:

AAH Itr MV CC re Crestview Hotel Acquisition 20210126.pdf

Dear Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council,

Advocates for Affordable Housing (AAH), a volunteer group of Mountain View residents who support affordable housing for all socioeconomic levels, would like to comment on Agenda Item 7.1. Please see either the attached PDF or the plain text pasted below. This e-mail is being sent on behalf of Joan MacDonald for AAH.

Regards, Doug DeLong

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Advocates for Affordable Housing Emmons Drive Mountain View, CA 94043 (650) 967-4427

January 24, 2021

Mayor Kamei and Members of the City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

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Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this critical matter.

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cc: Kimbra McCarthy, Aarti Shrivastava, Wayne Chen

From:

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 10:46 AM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

901 East el Camino real project

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Hi,

Our family lives and owns a unit in close proximity to 901 East el Camino real hotel that is intended to be included into acquisition opportunity to meet city's housing needs for homeless people. Our address is Crestview drive Apt Mountain View.

We are strongly objecting to this proposition. We are concerned with safety of our community and our street. Thanks.

Irina Vdovichenko and Alexey Marinichev

From:

Boris Levy

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 11:24 AM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

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Thanks,

B. Leivi and R. Shepelsky

From:

Julie Chien

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 12:35 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Concern on 1/26 meeting - agenda 7.1 Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address

Housing Needs

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Hello Mountain View City Council Members,

I hereby register my strong objection to Crestview Hotel acquisition for homeless proposal.

I am a 30+ year resident and home owner of Crestview Dr. It is shocking to hear that Mountain View is proposing to acquire Crestview Hotel (right next to our condo properties) for homeless. We support the idea of helping the homeless but any decision has to be made cautiously considering the interest of all parties affected.

The Crestview hotel is at a prime location on a main street, which should be promoted for commercial purpose for city tax revenues. It's not suitable for homeless shelter, let alone it would adversely affect the safety and property value of the neighborhood.

Please listen to the voices of the Mountain View residents and treat our concern seriously.

Thank you,

Julie Chien

From:

Jay Mo <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 2:14 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Strongest opposition to the proposal: 7.1 Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address

Housing Needs

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Hello, Respected Mountain View Council,

I am writing to express my strongest opposition to the proposal: 7.1 Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address Housing Needs.

Why NOT for this proposal:

1. Permanent economy harm.

We understand the hotel is having a difficult time because of Covid. But the county shouldn't take advantage and try to acquire it at the lowest price, destroy the business forever and turn it into a homeless shelter, instead of helping the business during this difficult time. With such permanent harm to the economy done, we will lose the opportunity to recover our economy once this pandemic is over. If all counties do things like this in the pandemic, America will have no future. President Biden had conveyed exactly the same message repeatedly and today again on <u>Twitter</u> (Across the country, far too many businesses are on the brink of closing their doors due to the crises we face. They need urgent relief — that's why today, I'll be taking action to support them and their workers).

2. Hurt Fairness.

The Crestview community homeowners like us worked so hard and spent all our savings to buy a home here, the county should not punish these hard-working homeowners with such a policy. For example, I bought my condo at 1 million with all of our savings (\$200k) as downpayment here(next door to Crestview Hotel), right before the pandemic hit, and now the market price had dropped more than \$150k. There is no doubt that if this proposal is passed, we will lose all of our downpayment immediately and be forced by the bank to file a foreclosure. This will destroy our credit and force us to leave. Fatally hurting homeowners like us in order to help another group of people is no Fairless. There are much better things the county can do to alleviate the homeless problem without creating such harm.

3. Inefficiency use of budget and not maximizing the help for the homeless.

The Crestview hotel is at a prime location which means it will be very expensive to purchase. I strongly believe there are many affordable places we can find and build homeless shelters, which will maximize the capacity of help for the homeless, with a limited budget. And it is a much wiser use of taxpayers' money. It should be a win-win situation for all instead of forcing Crestview homeowners to fight-to-the-death to stop the much-needed help for the homeless.

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We already have serious security issues in the Crestview community. Last month, we had a home broke-in and a car stolen. If we continue to significantly increase the population, the situation will be worse. And high-income residents will be forced to leave, leaving a ruined community behind and eventually destroy the community and the county.

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Thanks, Jay Mo

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Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 2:40 PM

To:

, City Clerk

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Thanks,

Jay Mo, one of the many homeowners of Crestview community, Mountain View

From:

Laila Al-Marashi <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 2:43 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Agenda item 7.1 for 26Jan City Council meeting- Crestview Hotel acquisition

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Dear city council members,

This email is in response to Agenda Item 7.1 for the 26Jan city council meeting, discussing the acquisition of the Crestview Hotel for the homeless or displaced tenants.

I am a homeowner of a unit at Crestview Dr. I was surprised to learn that Mountain View is proposing to acquire Crestview Hotel (right next to our building) for a potential homeless shelter.

There is no doubt a need to support the homeless, however I and other residents are concerned about the risk to our safety which would result from putting a shelter in a residential area. We have already had many security issues, with property being stolen (my tenants already had two bicycles stolen) among others. When we invest in a home, we also invest in the surrounding neighborhood and the city, and expect a certain level of safety to be maintained.

In addition, undoubtedly the home values in the area (and even the multiple apartment complexes nearby) would suffer economically based on a change like this.

The city of Mountain View and county of Santa Clara should also consider the difficulty for homeowners who cannot easily relocate, vs. those who are already displaced, for which a shelter is needed, but not in a particular location. We have some elderly residents in our buildings (1031 and 1033) for which this is their permanent home, and it would be unfair to change the environment of our neighborhood if they do not have the option to move.

Thank you for considering our needs. We are confident the city can come up with a solution that would meet the needs of our homeless community while not affecting the safety of our neighborhood.

Thanks,

Laila Al-Marashi

Owner of

Crestview Dr. Apt

Mountain View, CA 94040

From:

Dora Rafailov <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 4:31 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

901 East El Camino real project

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901 East El Camino real project

Hi,

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Thanks

Dora Rafailov

From:

Sophia Yunxin Li

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 4:41 PM

To:

City.Council; , City Clerk

Subject:

Opposition to Agenda Item 7.1, "Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address Housing

Needs"

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Dear Members of the City Council,

I am writing to express my strongest **opposition** to Agenda Item 7.1, "Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address Housing Needs", to be discussed tomorrow in the city meeting, for the following reasons.

First, turning the hotel into a homeless shelter will destroy the business and harm the local economy permanently. If all counties do things like this in the pandemic, the American economy will not be able to recover when the pandemic is over.

Second, this plan would be unfair to the property owners in nearby neighborhoods, because the Crestview homes will lose significant value due to this proposal. It is unfair to help a group of people at the expense of another group, who worked hard all their lives to buy their homes and are also facing difficulties during the pandemic.

Third, it is an extremely inefficient use of the budget because Crestview Hotel is at a prime location where housing is very expensive. There are much more affordable places to build shelters for the homeless. The taxpayers' money should be spent in a wiser way.

Fourth, with a significant increase in population, the already urgent security issues in the neighborhood would be worse and it will force high-income residents to leave the area, eventually ruining the prosperity of the community.

Instead of the original proposal, I suggest the following solutions for the homeless issue:

- 1. Extend the tenant eviction rules to avoid more people becoming homeless.
- 2. Help the businesses that are in trouble. We are seeing the light in the tunnel. Do not give up on them.
- 3. Extend existing shelter or find a much more affordable place to build new homeless shelters to maximize the number of people we can help.
- 4. Help the homeless to get jobs as soon as possible. The best way and ultimate way to resolving the homeless problem is to help them get jobs and support themselves in the future.

Thank you for listening to our voice. We hope that you will seriously consider the concerns of the city's residents.

Thanks,

Yunxin Li, a Homeowner of the Crestview Dr. Community

From:

Yanna Sukhodrev

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 6:27 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

AGENDA ITEMS 7.1--CRESTVIEW NEW BUSINESS PROPOSAL

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Dear Sir/Madame:

I am an owner of a unit at Grestview Drive, Mountain View CA. I received notification that the city was planning on opening a homeless shelter at 901 East El Camino Real, down the street from my apartment. I strenuously object to this proposal as I have significant concerns that such a development will drastically devalue property in the neighborhood and may cause an increase in crime. I ask that the City Council reject any proposal in this regard and vote against the plan.

Thank you.

Yanna



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From:

Adel Shapiro

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 6:57 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

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We are strongly objecting to this proposition. We are concerned with the safety of our community and our street. Thank you.

Respectfully, Adel Shapiro

From:

Dori Myer <

Sent:

Monday, January 25, 2021 8:33 PM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

1/26 meeting New Business Agenda 7.1

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Dear Council,

I'm a resident of Crestview Dr, across the street from the Crestview Hotel. I fully support its rehabilitation into housing for homeless/displaced people. It's next to a bus stop, which is great, and the parking lot behind the building is clearly sufficient. It's also within walking distance of the Goodwill, which is useful for low income residents to purchase goods and Goodwill is known to hire folks who have had a hard time. It's also very close to multiple grocery stores, restaurants, and other essential businesses that are mere blocks away and easy to walk to. This is a neighborhood that sees a lot of business vacancies, but it feels safe, and there is plenty of room to grow it into a robust area that welcomes disadvantaged people.

Thank you, Dori Myer

From:

soldcake <

Sent:

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:01 AM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

Meeting on Jan 26, 2021, item 7.1

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Dear,

I am a resident and owner of one of the units in Crestview Condo, next to Crestview Hotel.

I object to the plan to acquire Crestview Hotel, because:

- Lack of management plan. In the Council Report titled "Hotel Acquisition Opportunity to Address Housing Needs", there is no plan to manage the housing project. Who and How will the county manage tenants living in the housing project? How long will tenants stay? Will they remain on the street after leaving the hotel?
- Lack of safety and crime impact evaluation. It is not mentioned in the council report. As a resident in the region, I really worry if it is still safe to take a walk in the neighborhood.
- Lack of actual financial impact to county. In the council report, \$3.7 million is for rehabilitation / renovation of the building. Acquisition cost is not reported. Long term maintainence cost is not report.
- Did council do a actual walk-thru the hotel site? "80+ parking spaces for hotel and retail"? really?

best regards c.h.

From:

Hilary Burcell

Sent:

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:01 AM

To:

City.Council

Subject:

City Council Meeting Item

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Dear City Council,

I'm a resident near el Camino and El Monte, and I have been concerned about the growing number of homeless and people houses in RVs in Mountain View for years. These are people who deserve safer, more stable housing, and access to other supports that are available to help them get back on their feet. I heard about the proposal to buy the Crestview Hotel and convert it into a shelter, and I wanted to express my support. Thank you for considering the idea.

Hilary Burcell