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Dear City Council Members.

I am a homeowner near Moffett Blvd and a supporter of the Precise Plan. I greatly appreciate the public notices and the city's desire to engage the community in the development of the plan. I will be engaged in the planning process from start to finish. I offer a couple of suggestions for the planning process and future development projects.

- The consultant you will be contracting for this project should be beyond conventional and have a capability to think out-of-the box, be bold and innovative, have expertise in the application of new urban land use planning concepts, environmentally and ecological knowledgeable, understand public health and public safety principles.
- The consultant and planning team should have a vision that considers the integration of the surrounding natural environment and ecosystems in their designs and not solely depend on artificial landscapes that lack a naturally-evolved ecosystem and wildlife habitat. On private lands, consider a condition on the developer for approval of the housing development project, the deeding of land to the city that has important natural resources, or for a small public park, depending on a cost-benefit analysis.
- The Precise Plan vision should include a green, environmentally sustainable, walkable, safe, uncongested and uncluttered community that is attractive and desirable.
- The elements of the Precise Plan should reflect the City of Mountain View's progressive and community spirit.
- The architecture and landscape should be considerate of native and historical attributes that was, and is, the City of Mountain View.
- Hopefully, as the city is doing with the Precise Plan with early public engagement, require prospective housing and commercial developers to use the early community engagement process for all building projects in the Moffett Blvd Precise Plan corridor (apply this concept to all developments in the city). This will promote collaboration, cooperation, coordination, communication, and goodwill between the developer and the community. The result will be

tremendous time and cost savings for the city and future developments.

- The vision should include housing near services, ease of commute and transit, entertainment and music venues in park-like settings to soothe the souls of the people.
- Finally, the Precise Plan vision should take it up a notch and strive for a community that will be a tribute to the Bay Area. This is a grand opportunity to create a community, a village, of hope and vibrancy like no other.