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Mountain View City Council
500 Castro St
Mountain View, CA 94041
VIA E-Mail: citycouncil@mountainview.gov

Re: Evelyn Multiuse Trail

Dear Honorable Members of the Mountain View City Council:

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, we respectfully urge the City of Mountain View to prioritize implementing an Evelyn Multiuse Trail which connects to the Sunnyvale Evelyn Multiuse Trail at Bernardo Ave. Sunnyvale is currently designing our Evelyn Multiuse Trail and is the lead agency on the underpass for Caltrain and Central Expressway, and our understanding is that Mountain View is in the conceptual phase of the project that would connect to our trail.

A complete East/West trail will support development and community by connecting our two Downtown areas, enabling residents and visitors to transit between them. Sunnyvale is working on a grade separation at the Mary Ave crossing, and once that is complete, this trail would be completely free of bike/ped and car conflicts. As our cities add housing on and near this corridor, including the additional housing on the Mountain View side of Evelyn Ave., the need for pedestrian and bicycle-focused transit trails will likewise increase. Our cities can expand the availability of safe, active transportation options by implementing a connected trail.

Current City of Sunnyvale policy places a high priority on favoring bicycling, and walking and corresponding benefits to the environment, person-throughput, and qualitative improvements to the transportation system environment (General Plan LT-3) and on working with adjacent cities to eliminate barriers and facilitate ways to get across barriers to travel such as discontinuous streets, trails, bike lanes, sidewalks, and paths (General Plan LT-1.5c).

We believe designing and constructing a connected Multiuse Trail along Evelyn will remove a travel barrier for residents and provide a multi-modal space for pedestrians,

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cyclists, and other non-vehicular travel. For these reasons, we would appreciate your support in prioritizing this project, and we thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Sarah Johnson-Rios, Assistant City Manager, sjohnsonrios@sunnyvale.ca.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Larry Klein
Mayor

cc: Sunnyvale City Council
Tim Kirby, Sunnyvale City Manager
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