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August 25, 2014

Mr. David Hogan  
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Dear Mr. Hogan:

**Landbank Central & Wolfe Campus – Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)**

Thank you for continuing to include the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the project referenced above. We have reviewed the FEIR and have the following comments to offer. Please also refer to Caltrans' comments on the Notice of Preparation in our comment letter dated September 11, 2013, and on the Draft EIR in our comment letter dated June 2, 2014.

**Response to Comment B-2:** *The use of 2023 as the year for evaluation of cumulative conditions and the Project's contribution to those conditions (i.e., 10 years from the existing 2013 conditions) is consistent with City of Sunnyvale and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Traffic Impact Analysis practices for a project, such as the proposed project, that is anticipated to be developed and occupied within a short-term time frame.*

**Reply to Response to Comment B-2:** Table IV: "Proposed Project Trip Generation" (pp. 29 & 46) shows the significant net AM (PM) generated traffic as 438 (397) vph respectively. This project is sited immediately adjacent to the on/off ramps of Wolfe Road and Central Expressway. The report continues to adopt 2023 as the cumulative condition year, which is just nine years away from the current year. Caltrans again recommends that the TIA (Appendix C) adopt 2035 Cumulative Conditions, instead of 2023, as the year for the Cumulative Conditions evaluation. Year 2023 should be considered as intermediate effects. Using 2035, which is twenty-one years away and more typically used for CEQA cumulative analysis, would more accurately reflect long-term traffic impacts generated by this proposed project. The TIA should also include turning movement traffic diagrams for each studied intersection and project driveway under Project Only, 2035 Cumulative and 2035 + Project Conditions with the accompanying traffic analysis.

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Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Brian Brandert of my staff at (510) 286-5505 or [brian.brandert@dot.ca.gov](mailto:brian.brandert@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erik Alm". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and "A".

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c: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse