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Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors  
70 W. Hedding Street  
San Jose, CA 95110  
VIA Email: [BoardOperations@cob.sccgov.org](mailto:BoardOperations@cob.sccgov.org)

**RE: Development of Safe Parking or Temporary Housing on Government-owned Land (Meeting Date 9/10/2024, Agenda Item #21, #121432) - SUPPORT**

Dear Board of Supervisors:

Larry Klein  
Mayor

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Vice Mayor

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Councilmember

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Councilmember

Linda Sell  
Councilmember

I am writing to express the City of Sunnyvale's support for the recommendations presented by the Office of Supportive Housing (OSH) regarding the development of Safe Parking and temporary housing on government-owned land.

The proposed approach of exploring opportunities in partnership with cities is both practical and prudent. The shared experience highlights the importance of community engagement and the need for cities to lead site selection processes with County staff support. This ensures the suitability of sites but also fosters community buy-in, which is essential for the successful implementation of Safe Parking and temporary housing projects.

Additionally, Sunnyvale would support funding for the supportive services or costs to prepare a site for occupation for these types of programs. The City of Sunnyvale places a high priority on supporting our unhoused community through our participation in the Santa Clara County Continuum of Care, our continued support of local homeless service providers, and our City Council's prioritization of unhoused study issues year after year (Policy HE-5.6). The City of Sunnyvale will be taking a Safe Parking Ordinance to our commissions and Council this Fall for consideration; we look forward to having an opportunity through the development of the 2025-2030 Community Plan to End Homelessness to engage with the County on Safe Parking or temporary housing sites and funding.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to seeing the positive outcomes that will arise from these efforts. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Trudi Ryan, Director of Community Development, at [tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov), if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Larry Klein  
Mayor

cc: James R. Williams, Santa Clara County Executive  
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Tim Kirby, City Manager  
Sarah Johnson-Rios, Assistant City Manager  
Connie Verceles, Deputy City Manager  
Trudi Ryan, Director of Community Development