



City of Sunnyvale

July 27, 2020

Planning Commission

Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Re: DSP & Citiline Phase ||

As a board member of the Sunnyvale Downtown Association, I write this letter to show my full support for the Downtown Specific Plan. As a member of the board and our local community we feel this project will better our downtown business/organizations all together.

I am excited to see this movement move forward and bring our diverse community together as we plan for a better tomorrow.

Thank you to those involved in making Citiline Phase || possible!

Sincerely,

Amit Rajgarhia

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amit Rajgarhia", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Gary M. Gold & Associates
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City of Sunnyvale
City Council
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Re: DSP & Citiline Phase 2

As a board member of the SDA I enthusiastically support the Downtown Specific Plan. In concert with this I fully support Phase 2 of Citiline's redevelopment project. This letter also speaks to the sentiments of the SDA board and its role as representatives for the downtown businesses.

There were items that needed attention in aspects of Citiline's development as it related to downtown businesses that have been worked out to all parties benefit.

I am excited that the many shareholders are working together to create a diverse, unified, and vibrant downtown.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gary Gold
Interim Chair of the SDA

From: [Planning AP](#)
To: [PlanningCommission AP](#)
Subject: FW: Input on Cityline Development by Sares Regis
Date: Monday, August 10, 2020 9:32:47 AM

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From: Hannah Follweiler [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2020 7:23 AM
To: OCM AP <citymgr@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Glenn Hendricks <HendricksCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Russ Melton <MeltonCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Michael S. Goldman <GoldmanCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Nancy Smith <SmithCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Larry Klein <KleinCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Gustav Larsson <LarssonCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Mason Fong <FongCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; CityClerk AP <cityclerk@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Trudi Ryan <tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Planning AP <planning@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Advocacy@catalyzesv.org; projects@catalyzesv.org; Travis Duncan <tduncan@srgnc.com>; Michelle King <MKing@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Shaunn Mendrin <SMendrin@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
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Thank you for considering my perspective.

Sincerely,
Hannah Follweiler

Sent from my iPhone

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August 7, 2020

Mayor Klein and Honorable Councilmembers
Sunnyvale City Hall
456 W Olive Ave,
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

RE: Support for CityLine Phase II, Downtown Sunnyvale

Dear Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Smith, and Honorable Councilmembers Fong, Goldman, Hendricks, Larsson, and Melton,

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, I am writing to express our support for the CityLine Phase II development proposed by the Sares-Regis Group. The Leadership Group is a strong supporter of transit-oriented development proposals like the one at hand. We are eager to support projects that will reduce commute times for employees, overall traffic congestion, and harmful environmental pollutants for Sunnyvale and the Silicon Valley as a whole.

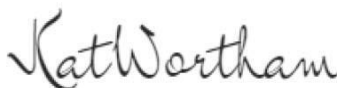
The Silicon Valley Leadership Group was founded in 1978 by David Packard, Co-Founder of Hewlett Packard. Today, the Leadership Group is driven by more than 330 CEOs/Senior Executives to proactively tackle issues to improve our communities and strengthen our economy, with a focus on education, energy, the environment, health care, housing, tax policy, tech & innovation policy, and transportation.

We are excited by the ample opportunity that the proposed development would bring to downtown Sunnyvale. The proposal would bring 793 homes, including market-rate and affordable options, to our downtown core. Of those homes, the mix of home types includes studios to three bedroom options as well as townhomes that would blend with the existing neighborhood look. This choice brings harmony to the look and feel of the downtown while providing high quality housing options for a wide range of potential residents.

Additionally, the proposal is directly next to the downtown Sunnyvale Caltrain station. The location provides easy commute access for future residents in the home development, but also allows for easy commuting for employees of the office and retail spaces. Further, we are looking forward to how this development will complement the first phase of CityLine as well as the rest of the downtown core.

The Leadership Group proudly supports thoughtful, transit-oriented residential developments like the one before you.

Sincerely,



Kat Wortham
Senior Associate, Health & Housing Policy
Silicon Valley Leadership Group

Ktea Cafe

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7/25/2020

City of Sunnyvale

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Re: SDA's support of the DSP and Phase 2 of the Cityline Development

As a Business Owner, Board Member and Treasure with the Sunnyvale Downtown Association. I would like to welcome and express my appreciation for the beginning of a long-lasting business relationship with Cityline working to support the entire Sunnyvale downtown and working with the SDA.

Sincerely,

Katie Voong
Katie Voong

Owner, Ktea Café

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Monday :8/10/2020

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To: Honorable Major and City Council

Subject: SDA's support for the DSP and Phase 2 of the Cityline Development and Minkoff Developments.

As a Business Owner, Board Member and Treasure with the Sunnyvale Downtown Association. I wanted to say I support the Downtown Specific Plan and the Cityline Phase II of the development. We appreciate the developers working to support the entire Sunnyvale downtown and working with the SDA.

Sincerely,

Katie Voong

Owner, Ktea Café

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408 736-2665 121 and 125 S. Murphy Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

August 7, 2020
Sunnyvale City Council

Dear Members of the City Council,

As a board member and recording secretary of the Sunnyvale Downtown Association, I support the City's DSP and Phase 2 of Cityline's Development Plan. We believe this plan is best for our downtown as a whole, supporting both our existing SDA members and the new CityLine development. With this letter, I am asking you to approve CityLine's development plan.

Sincerely,

Leigh Odum



Monday, August 10, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Michael Johnson, Executive Director, Sunnyvale Downtown Association

Subj: Sunnyvale Downtown Association support for the Downtown Specific Plan (DSP), and Phase II of the Cityline and Minkoff Developments.

The Sunnyvale Downtown Association (SDA) its full board and businesses are enthusiastic, and fully supportive of the City of Sunnyvale's Downtown Specific Plan and the commencement of the second phase of the Cityline Development.

The SDA is excited to welcome these new developments and the promise they hold in building a vibrant and exciting downtown, that will help our businesses, our city, and our community.

As the Executive Director of the Sunnyvale Downtown Association representing our Board of Directors and downtown businesses, we are excited for the future these new projects will bring with new businesses, new jobs, and the continued opportunities for the many businesses that call Sunnyvale their home. We look forward to welcoming these exciting enhancements, and the promise it holds for everyone who will benefit from this next chapter in our downtown community.

Respectfully,

Michael Johnson

Executive Director

Sunnyvale Downtown Association

From: [Jennifer Nunez](#)
To: [Shaunn Mendrin](#); [Bonnie Filipovic](#)
Subject: FW: POLICY--FW: 20-0726 Downtown Specific Plan and 20-0724 CityLine Agreement
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 4:34:40 PM

Regards,

Jennifer Nuñez (she/her/hers)
Executive Assistant- Mayor & Council
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City of Sunnyvale
Phone: 408-730-7913

From: Council AnswerPoint
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2020 3:19 PM
To: Jennifer Nunez <JNunez@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
Cc: Kent Steffens <KSteffens@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Teri Silva <TSilva@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Trudi Ryan <tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Deborah Gorman <DGorman@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Andrew Miner <AMiner@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Michelle King <MKing@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; CityClerk AP <cityclerk@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Connie Verceles <CVerceles@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
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Councilmembers:

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From: Mike Serrone [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2020 12:39 PM
To: Council AnswerPoint <council@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
Subject: 20-0726 Downtown Specific Plan and 20-0724 CityLine Agreement

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Mayor Klein, Vice-Mayor Smith and Members of the Council,

Regarding 20-0726 - Downtown Specific Plan and 20-0724 - CityLine Agreement:

The Downtown Specific Plan Amendment and the Development Agreement with CityLine are critical next steps in the long and winding road leading to revival of our downtown. **I urge you to approve both the Amendment and the Development Agreement.** Do not delay this development any longer.

Over the past several years, CityLine has held many, many outreach meetings, meetings with the Planning Commission, with the City Council, with staff, meetings with Livable Sunnyvale and other organizations. A search of the City meeting files shows 28 reports or actions going back to 2017 related to the CityLine development.

My sense is that this development has had more reviews than all other current projects combined. And CityLine has been very responsive to feedback from the City and the public, making extensive changes based on the input they received.

Recently, Livable Sunnyvale reviewed the latest proposal from CityLine and enthusiastically endorsed the project.

At this point, I do not believe that there is any improvement or refinement to either of these items that is worth delaying this development by a single day.

Downtown has been mostly vacant for so long we have accepted it as the new normal, but there has been a major impact on revenues to the City and our quality of life from the very long delays. CityLine has the financing and the expertise to complete this development. We are fortunate to have a good partner willing to invest in our City. We should seize the opportunity and let this move ahead. Any minor details that have not been previously addressed can be dealt with later.

The comments above would be my recommendation even if we weren't in the middle of a pandemic. But the pandemic makes it even more critical that we start this development immediately. Downtown construction will be very disruptive, but at this point there is very little to disrupt. Any work that can be done while we are in partial shutdown will be a good thing. And anything that is open for business next year when the economy starts to come back will also be a good thing.

Even more of a concern: Investors in CityLine and other Sunnyvale projects may decide to direct their funding into one of the many countries that has successfully dealt with the coronavirus and is in economic recovery. We should not assume that we can delay this development indefinitely.

Please resist the temptation to send either of these items back to staff for "improvements" and approve these items quickly so that work rebuilding downtown can start immediately. The CityLine development is an excellent project - we should take yes for an answer and approve these items.

Respectfully,

Mike Serrone

From: [Jennifer Nunez](#)
To: [Bonnie Filipovic](#); [Shaunn Mendrin](#)
Subject: FW: POLICY--FW: Supporting Cityline's Phase 2 development of Sunnyvale downtown
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 4:40:15 PM

Regards,

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From: Council AnswerPoint
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2020 4:10 PM
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From: Rahul @ Oxford <rahul@theoxfordca.com>
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2020 4:07 PM
To: Council AnswerPoint <council@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
Subject: Supporting Cityline's Phase 2 development of Sunnyvale downtown

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To the Council Members,

This letter is to voice The Oxford Gastropubs full and complete support of the continuing efforts by Cityline specifically its Phase 2 development of the Sunnyvale downtown.

As a board member on the SDA I recognize and respect the important contribution Cityline is making to the downtown fabric of Sunnyvale which in turn positively impacts the business(s).

Given their proven track record myself and other board members of the SDA feel confident that this development is in the best possible hands.

Thank you and look forward to a positive response.

--

regards,

Rahul Nair

General Manager

From: [Jennifer Nunez](#)
To: [Bonnie Filipovic](#); [Shaunn Mendrin](#)
Subject: FW: POLICY--FW: Livable Sunnyvale urges approval of the downtown specific plan
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 4:32:53 PM

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This message was sent directly to all of Council.

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Subject: Livable Sunnyvale urges approval of the downtown specific plan

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Dear Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Smith and Honorable Councilmembers,
I write on behalf of Livable Sunnyvale to urge you to approve the Cityline project and Downtown Specific Plan as recommended by staff and the Planning Commission.

This May, our members voted to support the Cityline project. The Cityline project will bring much needed housing to our downtown, along with new businesses and tax revenue. This project will also make our city more sustainable, by adding homes and jobs near transit and making the residential buildings all electric.

We recognize and appreciate the role that Council and Sares Regis have both played in bringing improvements to our downtown since 2015, including removing the parking "skeleton", opening Redwood Square, finishing the Flats, and providing the Winter Ice Rink.

For nearly 15 years, our downtown has been in limbo, leaving a hole in the heart of our city. Now, we finally have the opportunity to bring the downtown to completion. With the economic uncertainty brought on by the coronavirus, we worry that any delay in approval could throw the entire downtown into jeopardy yet again. We cannot take that chance.

Livable Sunnyvale is proud to fully endorse the Downtown Specific Plan and the Cityline project. We urge you to approve them without delay.

Sincerely,
Richard Mehlinger
Chair, Livable Sunnyvale

From: [Planning AP](#)
To: [PlanningCommission AP](#)
Subject: FW: Input on Cityline Development by Sares Regis
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 7:39:23 AM

From: Vikas Gupta [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2020 6:18 PM
To: OCM AP <citymgr@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Glenn Hendricks <HendricksCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Russ Melton <MeltonCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Michael S. Goldman <GoldmanCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Nancy Smith <SmithCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Larry Klein <KleinCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Gustav Larsson <LarssonCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Mason Fong <FongCouncil@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; CityClerk AP <cityclerk@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Trudi Ryan <tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Planning AP <planning@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Advocacy@catalyzesv.org; Project Specialist <projects@catalyzesv.org>; Travis Duncan <tduncan@srgnc.com>; Michelle King <MKing@sunnyvale.ca.gov>; Shaunn Mendrin <SMendrin@sunnyvale.ca.gov>
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