



City Council

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Julie Pierce, President
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Subject: Plan Bay Area 2040 Draft Preferred Scenario

Dear Chair Cortese and President Pierce,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Plan Bay Area Draft Preferred Scenario ("Plan") and its jobs and housing estimates for Year 2040. We appreciate the guidance provided by MTC and ABAG staff. In particular, we would like to thank Michael Reilly and Matt Maloney who took time to speak to Councilmembers Andersson and Tatzin about the methodology used to prepare the Draft Preferred Scenario.

We were pleased to hear that local plans were considered in arriving at the allocations of growth for 2040; but unfortunately, that does not appear to be the only factor considered for Lafayette.

Lafayette's projected household growth in the draft Scenario - 1,550 households citywide with 1,000 households within the downtown - is higher than what the City's general and specific plans estimate at buildout. Prior to the adoption of Lafayette's Downtown Specific Plan, the City was projected to grow by an additional 1,000 households, 60% of which were to be located in the downtown. As a result of the detailed analysis conducted for the 2012 Downtown Specific Plan, household growth projections increased by over 40% to a maximum of 1,415 households citywide with 815 households in the downtown.

Lafayette is committed to accommodating its fair share of the region's growth within reasonable limits and we request that Draft Preferred Scenario be revised to show a 2010-2040 growth of no more than 1,415 households citywide and 815 households in the downtown.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Mitchell". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Mark Mitchell
Mayor
cc: Lafayette City Council