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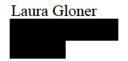
Dear Plan Bay Area Team,

I wanted to mention my concern as a concern to further impacts of the Plan on our City. As you know, Saratoga will work hard to uphold our commitments, and I have lots of faith in our City Council to work for advantages for all citizens. I further have faith and have seen the work completed by Howard Miller, our Mayor, in completion and preservation of open space, like Quarry Park, as well as dealing with other competing priorities that have advantaged the entire Bay Area.

In alignment with Mr. Miller's memo to all of you on behalf of the City of Saratoga, I too, would want to voice my concerns about the corridors you mentioned for additional density. Please come look at Allendale and Fruitvale Avenues, as well as Prospect and Quito. There is no room for additional density, and the bus lines you mention have minimal impact to our community. Ensure to look at ridership, not just the existence of the lines themselves.

Additionally, I have to agree with Mr. Miller's comment on the grocery store situation. It's gotten so much weaker with the loss of Lucky's in San Jose (but right on the border) and Gene's Quito Market on Cox, with the approval of whatever new townhouse complex will go in on that site. We literally have one grocery store. Given the COVID situation, please consider that not having decent alternatives within proximity is an added concern. It makes the existing outlying stores that much more dense, when we're trying hard to de-densify.

Thank you for your time and effort in developing a comprehensive plan, that takes all viewpoints into consideration,





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