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Thank you,

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8-12-20

Re: **proposed development on San Antonio Rd. 788-796**

To whom it may concern,

My name is Pamela Harter. I am a homeowner and taxpayer at 765 San Antonio Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303. My family has owned the property for over 40 years. I am also on the HOA board at Green House II.

I am concerned about the proposed project at 788- 796 San Antonio Rd. for many reasons. I will start by saying I am not opposed to development and smart growth. I am opposed to poorly considered development when traffic and parking are not considered. Or the full impact of a development is not considered.

- **Noise pollution** has and will continue to disrupt peace and quiet for years. Very negative impact on residents.
- **Traffic congestion-** total grid lock on San Antonio
- **Safety** cars will take a shortcut to try to beat the grid lock by coming into the complex and rushing to get to the other driveway and exit- very dangerous
- **Safety-** gridlock and access for emergency vehicles
- **Parking and density.** Adequate parking is needed. We depend on our 10 to 12 parking spaces along San Antonio Rd. have the parking for 40 years.
- **EIR** – does not seem legal to use this approval for other properties.
- **High Water table-** importance for protecting underground water- this is California after all
- **High density development** with little regard of impact of residents

Noise pollution: Our communities, both Greenhouse I and Greenhouse II, are adjacent to each other. Both condominium complexes are severely affected by the year and a half long, and still ongoing, hotel construction across the street. The contractor was given an allowance to start early before 8:00 am and also to pour cement in the middle of the night. Many of our residents are impacted severely by constant noise. There has been no peace and quiet.

Traffic congestion: Furthermore, our traffic is very congested and gridlocked on San Antonio. This is obviously due to being a main artery from east to west and that there has been massive development on the west end of San Antonio and the construction is still ongoing with another very large project that is relatively new.

Safety and gridlock and access for emergency vehicles: I have witnessed frustrated drivers caught in gridlock take a shortcut throughout complex to try to jump the line on 5 or 6 cars. This is very dangerous because they are in a hurry. I have been stuck in traffic coming from 101 for 20 or more minutes to drive a half mile distance. With severe gridlock an emergency vehicle will have a hard time getting into the complexes.

Parking and density: How much parking is the garage going to accommodate for this project. They can not push this under the rug and dismiss it. How are the retail businesses going to have adequate parking.

The Street parking: our condominiums have been able to use street parking -10 -12 spaces- along San Antonio Rd., for 40 years and are needed for residents and visitors. It is outrageous that you are considering taking it away because the demographics have changed since these condominiums were first built and we now have higher numbers of people living here now. Much greater density.

EIR – does not seem legal to use this approval for other properties

High Water table- protecting underground water, impacts of diverting the water with deep garages below water table. We cannot squander the underground water.

High density development: with little regard of impact on residents and quality of life. Traffic and parking are of great concern. The traffic is very grid locked. Parking is needed for the residents.

Pamela Harter

Concerned homeowner, longtime resident City of Palo Alto, taxpayer

VP Board member Greenhouse II

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From: Scott O'Neil <scottoneil@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 9:27 PM
To: Planning Commission
Subject: Unconventional idea for bike safety at Leghorn & San Antonio project

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Hi,

I had an idea for a bike safety mitigation at the Leghorn project. The site is directly across the street from The Greenhouse, a large multi-family community with a lot of lawn space that is increasingly expensive to water.

What if The Greenhouse were incentivized to open up a public right of way around an edge of their property, terminating at Sutherland, a residential street on the other side? This would open up basically all of Palo Alto to cyclists at the Leghorn project without having to use any difficult streets.

Moreover, it would help improve safe bike access to-and-from Mountain View. As you surely understand, bike safety within our towns is often stymied by lack of safe interfaces at the borders. A Sutherland-Greenhouse-Leghorn pathway would open up a new safe avenue. I've often wished for such a right-of-way when biking in the area.

-Scott

P.S. I might be able to help an interested party get in touch with their HOA board. Feel free to let me know if that is desired.

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Jonathan Lait (Director) and myself (Assistant Director).

We continue to work diligently on this item amongst other competing priorities.

Thank you,
Rachael



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Subject: RE: PTC consideration of revised Wireless Ordinance

Thank you for your prompt response.

I would appreciate it if you would tell me who is on the PDS leadership team.

A context for my questions: In April, 2018, City Council directed Staff to return to them with a revised Wireless Ordinance in April, 2019 (i.e., to return almost one and one-half years ago).

Thanks,

Jeanne

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Good morning,

Rebecca and Amy will let you know as soon as the item is rescheduled.

The PDS leadership team works together to schedule items for the PTC.

Thank you,
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Subject: RE: PTC consideration of revised Wireless Ordinance

Dear Rachael,

Thank you for your response.

Two questions:

1. On what date do you anticipate the Planning and Transportation will consider the revised Wireless Ordinance?
2. Who decides when this matter will be on the PTC's agenda?

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Jeanne

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Subject: Re: PTC consideration of revised Wireless Ordinance

Thank you for your inquiry Ms. Fleming.

Always feel free to reach out to the project planner, Rebecca Atkinson, for timely updates regarding the status of the project and its schedule. You can reach her at Rebecca.Atkinson@CityofPaloAlto.org.

The item will not be heard on August 12. It will be rescheduled for a later date.

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Dear Rachel,

In your May 31, 2020, email to me, you wrote that the PTC was tentatively scheduled to consider the revised Wireless Ordinance on August 12th. Is that still the case?

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

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From: [Palo Alto Forward](#)
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Subject: Item #3 Public Hearing on 788 San Antonio Road
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 9:18:50 PM
Attachments: [Support for Housing on San Antonio.pdf](#)

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Dear Chair Templeton and Planning & Transportation Commission members,

I am writing on behalf of Palo Alto Forward in support of the staff recommendations with regard to the 788 San Antonio Road housing project and expansion of the Housing Incentive Program (HIP) to selected other areas on San Antonio Road.

As you know Palo Alto will be required to develop sites and policies in support of 2 to 3 times the city's housing goals under the current Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) allocation. The previous city decision to eliminate San Antonio Road sites was made with the hopes that sites in downtown, California Avenue and parts of El Camino would be sufficient to meet our housing goals. This has not happened and it is time to broaden the areas where new housing is allowed.

The proposed project at 788 San Antonio will make a needed addition to our housing stock as well as demonstrate the viability of the area for new housing. Approval of the project and needed zoning changes will send a signal to regional and state agencies that Palo Alto is taking our increased housing goals seriously and providing zoning and incentives to make such housing feasible.

The provisions for increased FAR and reduced retail requirements are similar to city policies already applied in other areas to make housing feasible. Palo Alto Forward supports the staff recommendation to adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations with regard to the potential historical building issue. The applicant has made provision to recognize the historical significance of the building on site and on a website. As with the North Ventura area Palo Alto Forward believes there are appropriate ways to acknowledge our history without denying much needed housing.

We have reviewed the EIR and note as indicated in the staff report that other potential environmental impacts are not significant or can be mitigated.

Please move the project and expansion of the HIP area along San Antonio forward as the next step in showing that local control in Palo Alto is consistent with adding the much needed housing.

Gail A. Price
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August 12, 2020

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From: [Ted O'Hanlon](#)
To: [Planning Commission](#)
Subject: PTC 8/12, Item 3: 788 San Antonio Rd
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 9:32:18 AM

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Greetings Commissioners

At tomorrow evening's PTC hearing the 102 unit project at 788 San Antonio is on the agenda.

In advance, if you are available and would like to connect for a brief Q&A, please let me know. We could do this by phone or video.

In advance, thanks for your consideration and review of the project.

Best Regards,
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Project Executive
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Subject: 788 San Antonio project and HIP expansion
Date: Monday, August 10, 2020 12:02:07 PM

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Dear Chair Templeton and PTC members,

Supporting the staff recommendation for the 788 San Antonio housing development and expansion of the Housing Incentive Program (HIP) to a broader area along San Antonio will provide three positive outcomes:

1. It will expand the available housing sites in our city, something urgently needed on several grounds,
2. It will move forward a project adding more than 100 new homes including 16 reserved for low income residents, and
3. It will send a signal to regional and state agencies that Palo Alto is serious about expanding housing opportunities and affordability

Background

This will be the first housing proposal to come before PTC since the 6th cycle (2022-2030) regional housing needs determination for the Bay Area was approved by the state Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). Palo Alto's new city allocation will be between just over double the current allocation to probably three times or between 4,500 and 6,000 units.

The new Housing Element that Palo Alto needs to prepare must identify sites and policies to meet the overall unit goals and also by income group. The staff recommendation will be a step forward in meeting both of these goals.

The regional and Palo Alto RHNA goals include units for low, middle and higher income groups. A focus solely on units reserved for low income residents is not only difficult (only one has been approved recently after a long process) but also is contrary to the RHNA guidelines. And such a focus overlooks or dismisses the great need for housing that is affordable and available for moderate/middle income residents who do not qualify for subsidy but also cannot afford the \$2-3 million median prices for single family homes.

It is also true that many units reserved for low income residents come about as part of market rate developments that must meet the city goal of 15% BMR units including the proposed housing at 788 San Antonio.

I urge the commission to adopt the staff recommendation and not add conditions that affect project feasibility as housing projects must make financial sense (pencil out) to get financing and move forward,

The EIR

The proposals both for the project and HIP expansion got good marks in the EIR with many insignificant findings and some that can be easily mitigated. Please approve the staff recommendation for a Statement of Overriding Consideration for the potential historical building. There are ways proposed by the developer to preserve the memory of this building as with the cannery site in North Ventura that do not prevent the much needed housing from being built.

Local Control

I support local control if it means, as it should, that Palo Alto gets to decide how best to meet our housing goals. I do not support local control when it means Palo Alto gets to decide not to meet our housing goals. We do not have local control that says in Palo Alto you do not need a driver's license or sales of alcohol and tobacco to 10 year olds is legal. We do not get to pick which state laws and goals we wish to meet.

Support the staff recommendation and send a signal that Palo Alto intends to find ways to broaden housing access and affordability.

Stephen Levy

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Subject: Castilleja Alternative Plan - Neighbors may have a solution
Date: Friday, August 7, 2020 2:40:03 PM
Attachments: [Castilleja Alternative Plan - Draft 8.04.2020.pdf](#)

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To members of Palo Alto's ARB, PTC and City Council:

Attached for your review and study is a new alternative plan to Castilleja's current proposed plan. This new plan was developed by myself, a neighbor of the school, in collaboration with other nearby residents (copied on this email). As you know, the school's current plans are meeting with considerable resistance from the broader neighborhood, and its recent FEIR contains multiple "significant and unavoidable impacts" to the city and environs.

When compared to Castilleja's current plan, we think this plan is orders of magnitude more favorable to all stakeholders - Castilleja, the neighborhood, City, bicyclists, Palo Alto students commuting to Walter Hayes, Greene Middle or Palo Alto High School, cars, traffic and all surrounding residents.

Advantages of this alternative plan: it dramatically improves bicycle safety on the Bryant Street bike corridor, it greatly enhances the future possibility of using Kellogg as a safer bike corridor to Palo Alto High School, it relieves all car congestion traffic and parking on all the surrounding neighborhood streets, it eliminates the garage entrance or exit off of public streets and it could actually improve traffic flow on Embarcadero.

We hope you agree this approach has significant merit, and could deliver a win-win outcome for this thorny issue.

We welcome your study, review and comments.

Tom Shannon – 256 Kellogg Ave.
Alan Cooper – 270 Kellogg Ave.
Carla Befera – 1404 Bryant St.
Bruce McLeod – 1404 Bryant St

August 4, 2020

Alternative plan to Castilleja's proposed plan:

The following alternative plan we propose has the ultimate goal of mitigating the extreme traffic environmental impacts stated in the FEIR and thereby benefiting the City, Castilleja, the neighborhood and bicycle riders. The plan is to create a "Castilleja Educational Village" with traffic flow into and out of the Village from Embarcadero.

Plan Benefits - Immediate:

The plan would dramatically improve bike safety along the Bryant Street Bike Boulevard adjacent to Castilleja by eliminating the interaction of cars with bicycles and pedestrians.

The plan enhances Castilleja's concept of preserving their historic presence and permits them to grow in a unified and self-contained 6 acre educational village, while being a congenial neighbor without adding massive traffic and parking issues.

The plan leads to better traffic management, not more traffic, on Embarcadero Road, and would enhance safety for bicyclists and pedestrians crossing Embarcadero Road along Bryant Street.

Implementation Plan:

All of these benefits can readily and realistically be achieved with minimal adjustment to existing development plans by Castilleja and the City (e.g. future high speed rail).

Castilleja:

1. Castilleja would adjust their design to incorporate a historic "Castilleja Gate" (i.e. similar to UC Berkeley's Sather Gate) along Embarcadero Road thru which all Castilleja traffic would ingress and egress its Educational Village.
2. Traffic entering the Village could be routed along an internal, extensive queue access route to accommodate cars and student drop-off/pick-up and give access to Village parking. This can be done without any back-up of cars on Embarcadero.
3. Parking in the Village could be accommodated in the current underground garage and potentially a larger underground garage under the Circle (new).
4. Castilleja would revamp their design to eliminate entry to the Village from surrounding streets, thereby providing added space for buildings and campus activities.

City:

1. The City would close both sides of the Bryant Street intersection at Embarcadero to all cars, and would install a limited traffic signal at the current intersection. Only bikes, pedestrians and emergency vehicles could cross Embarcadero along Bryant Street by using this on-demand triggered signal.
2. A controlled signal would be installed at the "Castilleja Gate" entrance. This would become the dominant signal on Embarcadero between Waverley and Emerson Streets.
3. Additional speed control signage/monitoring would be put along Embarcadero to enhance safety at the Castilleja Gate intersection.

August 4, 2020

Plan Benefits – Long term:

1. ***Improved quality of life:*** The plan would dramatically reduce traffic through the neighborhoods surrounding Castilleja thereby greatly enhancing quality of life in these neighborhoods (compared to traffic in pre-Covid times and FEIR predictions). Neighbors would not endure the projected 1000+ car trips/day along with shuttles and busses for Castilleja's student pick-ups, drop-offs, faculty, staff, visitors and student trips, and daily garbage-truck pickups and 16-18 wheel truck deliveries.
2. ***Enhanced bicycle safety:*** The plan provides greater bike safety near Castilleja by eliminating the interaction of cars and bicycles at Bryant and Embarcadero. This is consistent with the City's stated goal of limiting traffic on the Bryant Bicycle Boulevard. And, because residential streets would not be needed to access the Castilleja Village, this would dramatically improve bike safety on Emerson, Bryant and Kellogg streets
3. ***Greater Castilleja autonomy:*** The plan would provide Castilleja greater flexibility in their design, scheduling and handling of Village buildings, activities and events, with all Castilleja traffic flow and parking within the Village.
4. ***Greater Embarcadero Traffic Safety:*** The plan would provide greater control of traffic and safety for students and bicycles in the area around Castilleja with two on demand signals. Traffic would flow more uniformly because signals would only be activated when needed. The Castilleja internal access road would be long enough to queue all student drop-offs and pick-ups to prevent back-up onto Embarcadero.

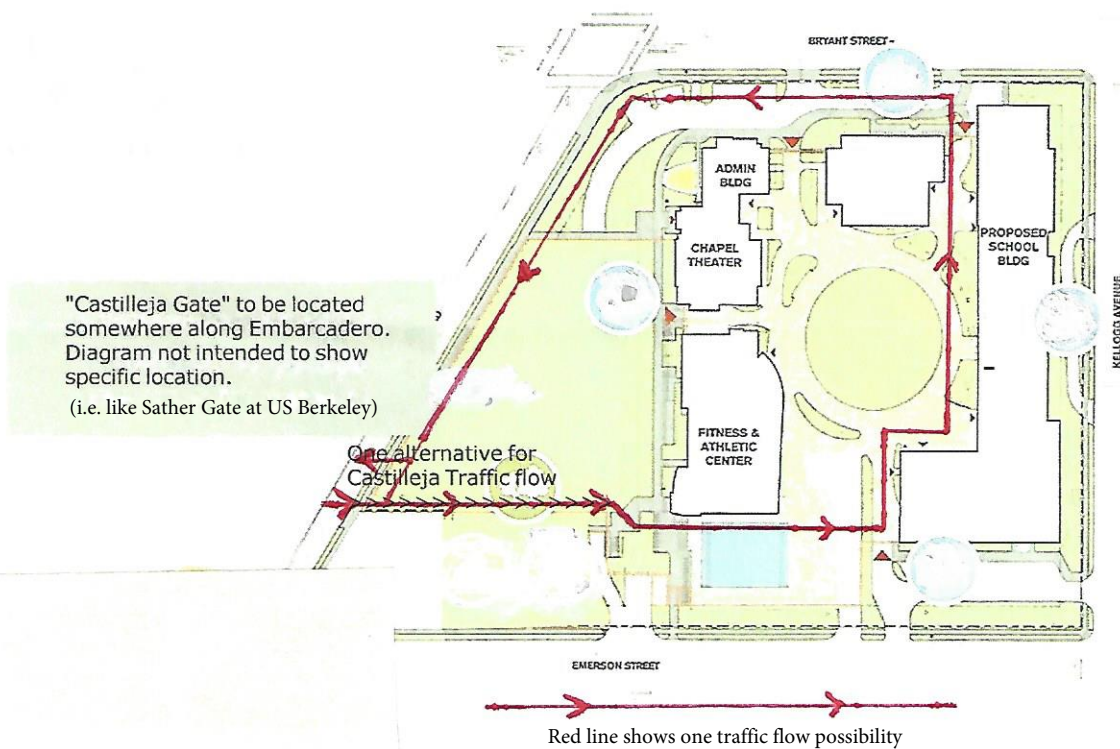
Added Bonuses:

1. ***Bike safety improved for Palo Alto HS students:*** If the Alma bicycle crossing is moved from Churchill Ave. to Kellogg Avenue with high speed rail, then this Kellogg underpass/interchange would dramatically improve bicycle safety, if there is no Castilleja traffic on Kellogg Ave.
2. ***Future Castilleja traffic impediments removed:***
The Churchill/Embarcadero/Caltrain High Speed Rail dilemma is currently under study. By containing all of Castilleja's traffic to its Village entrance on Embarcadero and keeping car traffic within the boundaries of its campus, this plan would remove any future impediment that Castilleja's traffic might have on the final outcome of resolving the Churchill/Embarcadero/Caltrain/High Speed Rail conflicts.

The attached diagram illustrates one possible surface traffic flow diagram for the Castilleja Educational Village, based on the current Castilleja plan drawings. Other flow patterns are possible. Thank you for your time and attention in considering this alternative.

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Castilleja Alternative Proposal
"Castilleja Gate" July 2020



Sather Gate at UC Berkeley

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Thanks very much for your prompt response, Madina.

I'd appreciate it if you would give me an estimate of when you and/or Vinh expect this matter will be on the PTC's agenda (e.g., the end of August).

Again, thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Jeanne

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Hi Jeanne,

Than you for your email. Vinh said that the Wireless item was postponed to a later date. We will let you know when we have the date finalized.

With respect,

Madina

Madina Klicheva

Administrative Associate III

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Dear Madina,

The automatic response from Rachel's email inbox says she is out of the office until August 10th. It also says that you are the right person to contact in her absence.

I would appreciate it if you would answer the question I asked Rachel in the email below, namely, on what date will the Planning and Transportation Commission be considering the revised Wireless Ordinance.

Thank you for your help. And please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Subject: PTC consideration of revised Wireless Ordinance

Dear Rachel,

In your May 31, 2020, email to me, you wrote that the PTC was tentatively scheduled to consider the revised Wireless Ordinance on August 12th. Is that still the case?

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Jeanne

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From: [Palo Alto Forward](#)
To: [Council, City](#); [Fine, Adrian](#); [DuBois, Tom](#); [Filseth, Eric \(Internal\)](#); [Kou, Lydia](#); [Cormack, Alison](#); [Tanaka, Greg](#); [Kniss, Liz \(internal\)](#); [Planning Commission](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #11, August 3rd - Summary Title: PBA 2050 / RHNA Update
Date: Saturday, August 1, 2020 2:49:36 PM
Attachments: [ABAGRHNA-Final060920\(r\).pdf](#)
[RHNA Letter August 2020 \(1\).pdf](#)

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June 9, 2020

Therese W. McMillan, Executive Director
Association of Bay Area Governments
375 Beale Street, Suite 700
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Dear Therese W. McMillan,

RE: Final Regional Housing Need Determination

This letter provides the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) its final Regional Housing Need Determination. Pursuant to state housing element law (Government Code section 65584, et seq.), the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is required to provide the determination of ABAG's existing and projected housing need.

In assessing ABAG's regional housing need, HCD and ABAG staff completed an extensive consultation process from March 2019 through May 2020 covering the methodology, data sources, and timeline for HCD's determination of the Regional Housing Need. HCD also consulted with Walter Schwarm with the California Department of Finance (DOF) Demographic Research Unit.

Attachment 1 displays the minimum regional housing need determination of **441,176** total units among four income categories for ABAG to distribute among its local governments. Attachment 2 explains the methodology applied pursuant to Gov. Code section 65584.01. In determining ABAG's housing need, HCD considered all the information specified in state housing law (Gov. Code section 65584.01(c)).

As you know, ABAG is responsible for adopting a methodology for RHNA allocation and RHNA Plan for the projection period beginning June 30, 2022 and ending December 31, 2030. Pursuant to Gov. Code section 65584(d), the methodology to prepare ABAG's RHNA plan must further the following objectives:

- (1) Increasing the housing supply and mix of housing types, tenure, and affordability
- (2) Promoting infill development and socioeconomic equity, protecting environmental and agricultural resources, and encouraging efficient development patterns
- (3) Promoting an improved intraregional relationship between jobs and housing
- (4) Balancing disproportionate household income distributions
- (5) Affirmatively furthering fair housing

Pursuant to Gov. Code section 65584.04(d), to the extent data is available, ABAG shall include the factors listed in Gov. Code section 65584.04(d)(1-13) to develop its RHNA

plan, and pursuant to Gov. Code section 65584.04(f), ABAG must explain in writing how each of these factors was incorporated into the RHNA plan methodology and how the methodology furthers the statutory objectives described above. Pursuant to Gov. Code section 65584.04(h), ABAG must submit its draft methodology to HCD for review.

Increasing the availability of affordable homes, ending homelessness, and meeting other housing goals continues to be a priority for the State of California. To support these goals the 2019-20 Budget Act allocated \$250 million for all regions and jurisdictions for planning activities through the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) and Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) Grant programs. ABAG has \$ 23,966,861 available through the REAP program and HCD applauds ABAG's efforts to engage early on how best to utilize these funds and HCD looks forward to continuing this collaboration. All ABAG jurisdictions are also eligible for LEAP grants and are encouraged to apply to support meeting and exceeding sixth cycle housing element goals. While the SB 2 Planning Grant deadline has passed, ongoing regionally tailored technical assistance is still available through that program.

In addition to these planning resources HCD encourages local governments to consider the many other affordable housing and community development resources available to local governments that can be found at <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/nofas.shtml>

HCD commends ABAG and its leadership in fulfilling its important role in advancing the state's housing, transportation, and environmental goals. ABAG is also recognized for its actions in proactively educating and engaging its board and committees on the RHNA process and the regional housing need, as well as creating tools to aid the public understanding in the process. HCD especially thanks Paul Fassinger, Gillian Adams, Aksel Olsen, Dave Vautin, Bobby Lu, Matt Maloney, and Elizabeth Bulgarin for their significant efforts and assistance. HCD looks forward to its continued partnership with ABAG and its member jurisdictions and assisting ABAG in its planning efforts to accommodate the region's share of housing need.

If HCD can provide any additional assistance, or if you, or your staff, have any questions, please contact Megan Kirkeby, Acting Deputy Director, at megan.kirkeby@hcd.ca.gov or Tom Brinkhuis, Housing Policy Specialist at (916) 263-6651 or tom.brinkhuis@hcd.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Megan Kirkeby
Acting Deputy Director

Enclosures

ATTACHMENT 1

HCD REGIONAL HOUSING NEED DETERMINATION ABAG: June 30, 2022 through December 31, 2030

<u>Income Category</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Housing Unit Need</u>
Very-Low*	25.9%	114,442
Low	14.9%	65,892
Moderate	16.5%	72,712
Above-Moderate	42.6%	188,130
Total	100.0%	441,176
* Extremely-Low	15.5%	Included in Very-Low Category

Notes:

Income Distribution:

Income categories are prescribed by California Health and Safety Code (Section 50093, et. seq.). Percents are derived based on Census/ACS reported household income brackets and county median income, then adjusted based on the percent of cost-burdened households in the region compared with the percent of cost burdened households nationally.

ATTACHMENT 2

HCD REGIONAL HOUSING NEED DETERMINATION: ABAG June 30, 2021 through December 31, 2030

Methodology

ABAG: PROJECTION PERIOD (8.5 years) HCD Determined Population, Households, & Housing Unit Need		
Reference No.	Step Taken to Calculate Regional Housing Need	Amount
1.	Population: December 31 2030 (DOF June 30 2030 projection adjusted + 6 months to December 31 2030)	8,273,975
2.	- <i>Group Quarters Population: December 31 2030 (DOF June 30 2030 projection adjusted + 6 months to December 31 2030)</i>	-169,755
3.	Household (HH) Population	8,159,280
4.	Projected Households	3,023,735
5.	+ Vacancy Adjustment (3.27%)	+98,799
6.	+ Overcrowding Adjustment (3.13%)	+94,605
7.	+ Replacement Adjustment (.50%)	+15,120
8.	- <i>Occupied Units (HHs) estimated June 30, 2022</i>	-2,800,185
9.	+ Cost-burden Adjustment	+9,102
Total	6th Cycle Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA)	441,176

Detailed background data for this chart is available upon request.

Explanation and Data Sources

- 1-4. Population, Group Quarters, Household Population, & Projected Households: Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 65584.01, projections were extrapolated from DOF projections. Population reflects total persons. Group Quarter Population reflects persons in a dormitory, group home, institute, military, etc. that do not require residential housing. Household Population reflects persons requiring residential housing. Projected Households reflect the propensity of persons within the Household Population to form households at different rates based on American Community Survey (ACS) trends.
5. Vacancy Adjustment: HCD applies a vacancy adjustment (standard 5% maximum to total projected housing stock) and adjusts the percentage based on the region's current vacancy percentage to provide healthy market vacancies to facilitate housing availability and resident mobility. The adjustment is the difference between standard 5% vacancy rate and regions current vacancy rate based (**1.73%**) on the 2014-2018 ACS data. For ABAG that difference is **3.27%**.
6. Overcrowding Adjustment: In regions where overcrowding is greater than the comparable region's overcrowding rate, or in the absence of comparable region the national overcrowding rate. HCD applies an adjustment based on the amount the regions overcrowding rate (**6.73%**) exceeds the comparable region's rate (**3.60%**). For ABAG that difference is **3.13%**. Data is from the 2014-2018 ACS.
7. Replacement Adjustment: HCD applies a replacement adjustment between .5% and 5% to the total housing stock based on the current 10-year annual average percent of demolitions the region's local government annual reports to Department of Finance (DOF). For ABAG the 10-year annual average multiplied by the length of the projection period is .40%, and the minimum **.50%** adjustment is applied.



August 1st, 2020

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8. Occupied Units: This figure reflects DOF's estimate of occupied units at the start of the projection period (June 30, 2022).
9. Cost Burden Adjustment: HCD applies an adjustment to the projected need by comparing the difference in cost-burden by income group for the region to the cost-burden by income group for the comparable regions, as determined by ABAG. The very-low and low income RHNA is increased by the percent difference ($66.64\% - 66.00\% = .64\%$) between the region and the comparable region cost burden rate for households earning 80% of area median income and below, then this difference is applied to very low- and low-income RHNA proportionate to the share of the population these groups currently represent. The moderate and above-moderate income RHNA is increased by the percent difference ($16.25\% - 13.10\% = 3.15\%$) between the region and the comparable region cost burden rate for households earning above 80% Area Median Income, then this difference is applied to moderate and above moderate income RHNA proportionate to the share of the population these groups currently represent. Data is from 2012-2016 CHAS.

From: slevy@ccsce.com
To: [Council, City; Planning Commission](#)
Cc: [Shikada, Ed](#); [Lait, Jonathan](#)
Subject: council letter on RHNA allocation to jurisdictions
Date: Saturday, August 1, 2020 12:00:33 PM

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Dear Mayor Fine and Council members,

I thank staff for their fine technical memo laying out the regional and sub-regional issues and history with regard to the new RHNA cycle.

I oppose the suggestion that Palo Alto ask for the lowest possible allocation of the regional RHNA need as I read in the current draft letter.

I support the ABAG methodology committee direction shown in the staff memo to allocate an above average share of the regional allocation to communities that are considered "high opportunity" areas (their equity criterion) and to communities with large existing excesses of jobs over housing and also good access to public transit (their jobs criterion).

I find the current letter in deep conflict with the evidence on the relationship of good neighborhoods (high opportunity areas) and education. I find the research of Raj Chetty and Sean Reardon at Stanford compelling on the benefits to children in low income families of being in neighborhoods with good schools and social infrastructure like Palo Alto. I also note that council used this evidence as one piece of their Buena Vista decision and funding.

The implication of the letter is that council prefers to reallocate housing shares to communities that rank well below Palo Alto on high opportunity areas and imbalances of jobs versus housing. This sends a signal both that Palo Alto does not accept the criteria of equity and mitigating jobs--housing imbalances, which is in direct opposition to public council statements and can only be seen as the intent to avoid our fair share responsibility.

However ABAG chooses to allocate the regional total to jurisdictions, Palo Alto will receive a minimum of double the current 5th cycle allocation.

In order to show good faith in what will be a difficult task, I ask council to immediately begin work on the next Housing Element in identifying sites, zoning and policies. Among other things council will need to know how sites such as North Ventura fit into meeting the minimum possible 4,000+ unit goal and what expansions of the policies adopted more than 18 months ago are needed. What role can ADUs and missing middle housing by design play in meeting our RHNA and Housing Element requirements.

Background

I served on the technical advisory committee advising HCD on the options for incorporating new state laws into the 6th cycle RHNA methodology and have closely followed the ABAG subcommittee discussions--all in a volunteer capacity.

As pointed out in the staff memo, roughly half of the regional allocation was in response to state law addressing existing imbalances and shortages in our housing stock. The HCD determination letter identifies nearly 100,000 units each to address reducing overcrowding and maintaining a healthy vacancy rate that does not put upward pressure on rents and prices.

In general HCD chose application of the allocation criteria that resulted in a lower Bay Area allocation, much lower than if they had used the metrics used for SCAG.

It is important that councils here and around the region understand that the higher cycle 6 regional allocations are not the result of higher projected growth or have anything to do with the Plan Bay Area 2050 growth forecast.

The higher regional need determination is the result of state law adopted by the legislature to redress as best we can, the harm to families and communities from the large existing housing shortages affecting low and middle income residents.

From: [Minor, Beth](#)
To: [Council, City](#); [French, Amy](#); [Lait, Jonathan](#); [Tanner, Rachael](#); [Kirsten Squarcia](#); [Anderson, Daren](#); [Nguyen, Vinhloc](#)
Cc: [Planning Commission](#); [ParkRec Commission](#)
Subject: FW: History of Foothills Park
Date: Saturday, August 1, 2020 11:42:30 AM
Attachments: [History of Acquisition of Palo Alto Foothills Park.docx](#)
[image001.png](#)

Please see email below from Enid Pearson and the attached history of Foothills Park.

Thanks and have a great day.

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Beth Minor, City Clerk
City of Palo Alto
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(650)329-2379



From: Enid Pearson <enidpearson1@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 1, 2020 11:37 AM
To: Minor, Beth <Beth.Minor@CityofPaloAlto.org>
Subject: History of Foothills Park

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Dear Beth, Would you please distribute this history of the Palo Alto Foothills Park to the City Council, the Planning Commission, Parks Commission, and any on going Foothills Committee that we have. Thanks so much,
Enid Pearson

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History of Acquisition of Palo Alto Foothills Park as Remembered, 8/1/20

By Enid Pearson, enidpearson1@gmail.com

How I got involved with Palo alto politics:

My family and I moved to Palo Alto (1200 Bryant St) in September 1953. Within the first few months I was involved with Palo Alto politics. The City Council (15 members) was favorably responding to a City Manager proposal to make Bryant and Waverly Streets one-way streets to encourage traffic into the downtown business area. The purpose was to increase downtown business and eventually expand the business area to Embarcadero Road. Immediately, the neighborhood organized against this and I was assigned the job of watching the council. Within two years, the council brought up the idea almost 24 times and each time opted not to discuss the concept because of the need to notify the public. The council appointed a committee to find a solution. The result was placing stop signs every other block from University to Embarcadero to slow traffic down. I was hooked on the council and attended as many meetings as I could.

Foothills Park - How it became for Palo Altans Only: In a late December, 1959 Council meeting, Dr. Russell V. Lee presented a proposal to Palo Alto City Council. He was offering to sell 1,294 Acres of his property in the foothills for \$1,300,000 which was less than it was valued. But There was a slight catch, the deal had to be done before the end of December, 1959. The City Manager told the council they needed to do the usual 30-day publication of this proposed action. This would postpone the deal. Neither the council nor Dr. Lee wanted postponement. The Council saw a bargain and Dr. Lee was very firm: Do the deal now or the offer was gone. The council directed the city manager to start the purchase action without the 30 day publication. This was totally illegal.

At this time there was a downtown group of merchants who were very active, organized and not supportive of handing over 1.6 million dollars to Dr. Lee. They also inspected the property and they noted the following: the property had no source of water, it was very dry, grass and weeds and there were lots of rattlesnakes. Furthermore, the army had used the area as a training ground and purportedly there were landmines buried in the flat area which had to be found and dug up. They launched a crusade against the purchase and they threatened to take the city to court. I think there was some legal action, but can't remember what.

The council was a little nervous about spending \$1,300,000 and floated the idea that maybe our neighbors, i.e., Los Altos and Los Altos Hills, might want to join in the purchase and the City Manager was directed to ask them if they wanted to share. Part of the problem was that these were relatively new cities. Remember PA was incorporated in 1894 and Palo Alto was considered a very wealthy city. Palo Alto had the new and thriving Stanford industrial park and a very successful business downtown.

Los Altos had just incorporated in Dec. 1952 and had very little industry and Los Altos Hills just incorporated in 1956 and also had little industry. These cities were not loaded with extra cash

to spend on a park that would need a lot of work (money) to make it usable by the public and so they declined.

There was a lot of opposition and grumbling regarding the purchase of this land. Council decided to place the park/land purchase on the ballot. Let the people decide. At the Monday night council meeting, the night before election day, the council promised that if the voters verified the park purchase, the council would make the park available to Palo Alto residents only. The election day issue of the Palo Alto Times had a huge headline stating the council's promise to the voters. The voters responded verifying the land purchase by 62% of vote. The council immediately kept their promise and passed a resolution declaring use of the park by Palo Alto residents only.

There have been several attempts by different councils to revoke this resolution and open the Park to all. Staff's response always outlines what I consider the worst scenarios – hoards of people will overrun the park. The flora and fauna of the park will be destroyed. All wild animals such as deer, etc, will vanish, the lake Palo Alto installed will be polluted, etc. This usually scares the council into not taking any action, but small changes have been added, such as outsiders can visit the park if accompanied by a Palo Altan (and verify your residence in Palo Alto), or if a Group has a public event (and they are responsible for cleanup) a limited number of guests can visit on the day or evening of the event.

Opening the Park to All: In my opinion, Foothills Park should be open to all. The council in 1959 was trying to figure out how it could justify spending this amount of money on what seemed like a pretty awful piece of land. They had no confidence that the grumpy groups of citizens appearing before them might just vote them out of office. I actually think they thought they were doing a good thing. The truth is we have all figured out that this kind of action by governments is bordering on dictatorship and racism and we should not be engaging in such actions. Yes, it is time to open Foothills Park to all. We are perfectly capable of managing the numbers of folks in the park at anyone time and we should, just to protect the whole area from being used to death. And I think we can stay within the bounds of good neighborliness. Just look around us. There are many parks all open and managed, and in my opinion, really well cared for by both the public and each government entity. Foothills Park would definitely survive and thrive.

How to fund an increased use and resulting necessary protection of the park is a legitimate question. Palo Alto's population increases daily to over 100,000 people. These are the many workers employed by our industrial parks and shopping centers and other employers, including households and schools and more. These folks contribute to the income of Palo Alto and if they chose, should be allowed access to all our parks.

It should be embarrassing to any Palo Altan that we restrict one of our parks. Also, Foothills Park is not the kind of park that attracts vandalism and destruction and huge crowds of people.

It's a park that urges picnics and hikes and baseball, etc. And there is not a lot of infrastructure (buildings, etc.) which sometimes encourages vandalism. A citizens committee with staff assistance could figure out how to open the park, how to set limits, times, and numbers and how to pay for increased costs. I urge the Palo Alto Council to step up and take charge. Make history, and correct the action taken 61 years ago. It might have been justified for the years the park was being upgraded. It was a new park and needed a lot of work to make it what it is today. We really are better than that and have learned a lot since. Open Foothills Park to all.

Enid Pearson

Former PA Councilwoman, 1965-1975

From: [Deanna Chevas](#)
To: [Planning Commission](#)
Subject: Please join us for the 10th Annual Silicon Valley Bike Summit
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 4:44:09 PM

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Hello Palo Alto Planning and Transportation Commission,

I'm reaching out to invite you to Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition's upcoming 10th Annual [Bike Summit](#) to be held online on August 6 & 7. The annual gathering of local safety, transportation and sustainability leaders typically occurs in person, but due to the coronavirus pandemic, will take place online, making it accessible from anywhere in the world.

Bike Summit is the region's largest gathering of active transportation leaders and organizers from government, the private sector, non-profits, and the general public. It's a great chance to learn, share ideas, have fun, and meet new folks! [Click here to register online.](#)

We'd also love it if you could share the attached image via your organization's newsletter and/or social media. Here's some language you can use (Tag @bikesiliconvalley on facebook/instagram and @bikesv on twitter):

Come to the 10th Annual Silicon Valley Bike Summit August 6 & 7 to join other active transportation leaders and discuss how to get more people biking in our area and create a safe street environment for all.

<https://bikesiliconvalley.org/summit/>

Find the detailed agenda [here](#) and detailed information about speakers [here](#).

[Register Today!](#)

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Deanna

Deanna Chevas
she/her/hers
Administrative Manager

Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition

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10th ANNUAL SILICON VALLEY BIKE SUMMIT



Thursday August 6 & Friday August 7
Time: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Location: first ever digital Bike Summit



From: slevy@ccsce.com
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Cc: [Council. City; Planning Commission; Lait, Jonathan](#)
Subject: Forward a wide range of housing unit alternatives
Date: Monday, July 20, 2020 10:57:02 AM

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Based on the staff report to the Planning Commission and my attendance at and review of all the AGAG allocation methodology committee meetings, Palo Alto will get a RHNA target of more than 5,500 units.

These units will need to be planned for and sited in our next Housing Element.

Since we do not know the exact target (though it will be far far higher than the current one) and do not know the effectiveness of existing housing incentive programs, council should be presented with a wide range of housing unit alternatives for North Ventura.

Council and staff will know more when the final alternatives come to council next year but if a high unit plan is not sent forward, council will be deprived of an alternative that may be needed in our next Housing Element.

The committee is free to state preferences and comments but the final decision is council's and they should see the analysis of a broad range of unit plans.

Stephen Levy