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To: <u>Downtown West Project</u>

Subject: Fw: Diridon Area Neighborhood Group letter

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Attachments: DANG update letter.pdf

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Hi team.

Some of you were on the email already, but we just received the attached 1-page letter from DANG – requesting a status update on DT West and a full public process before the project goes to Council for consideration.

We will discuss these topics at the internal meeting this afternoon with project managers - specifically, updating the project timelines (and their interrelationships) and the public outreach materials for Spring outreach (including a website update, recorded presentations, online survey, and project status memo). I will send the materials around for review as well.

As I have been working with the team and consultants to develop these the materials, it is clear that we need a clear message about how the COVID emergency is affecting timeline and process. And this letter affirms that it is a top question on stakeholder's minds.

I suggest that we use the All Hands meeting on Monday to solidify the current message to the public (at least for the next couple weeks, subject to change of course).

I think we should be ready to post the materials next week.

Thanks! Lori

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Good morning Dave,

I hope this e-mail finds you well, please find attached a letter from DANG in regards to the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan EIR.

Thank you for taking the time to read the letter and stay safe.

Bob

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RE: Google EIR, GP19-009, PDC 19-039 & PD19-029



The Diridon Area Neighborhood Group (DANG) understands that the City is currently facing an ever-challenging global pandemic event. We appreciate the dedicated City staff that have worked under high stress and unprecedented challenges to maintain City services.

Due to the current state of affairs, DANG would like to check in and request an update on the City's thought process on the approval and certification of the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan EIR and updates to the DSAP. With all that is going on, it would be helpful to let the residents of San Jose know that project approvals will be delayed until all of the prerequisite meetings, outreach and environmental impacts are fully vetted in a public setting.

All parties involved in the Diridon Area Station process would appreciate acknowledgement from City Staff that the Google Downtown West Project approval won't be rubber stamped as is. There is concern that City staff will make a case that this project has had adequate community outreach and the importance of the project to the City's economic future is too great to be delayed. We believe that the City will rise to the moment and not break the trust of the residents of San Jose.

We look forward to the City's response in a timely manner and we appreciate the collaborative nature that the City has created and maintained throughout this process. Please feel free to contact our consultant, Bob Staedler at bob@svsynergy.com with your response. Bob will follow-up with you in a couple of weeks to see if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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