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Google representatives of Downtown West & City of San Jose officials,

Thank you to Google & City staff for continuing to engage Catalyze SV's Project Advocacy Committee. Thank you Google for enabling [our members to review your updated plans for for the Downtown West & the Development Agreement earlier this month](#). Congratulations to your team on the successful rollout.

Our members are excited to be involved in this game-changing project and look forward to spending time in the new neighborhood Google has proposed! Our members were impressed with the community benefits in the Development Agreement and additional improvements to the vibrancy and sustainability of the project.

Please find below the full, updated evaluation from [Catalyze SV's](#) Project Advocacy Committee. In it, we also offer a big-picture look back at Downtown West's groundbreaking promises & possibilities.

1) Scorecard. The project re-scored higher at 4.43 out of 5 (increased from 4.29 out of 5). Our members increased the project's score in the Community category. This is a meaningful improvement on an already high score.

2) Letter. We'd also like to reiterate our members' constructive comments on the updated proposal. For instance, we'd like to see building heights increased on the land dedicated for affordable housing and some of the \$22.3 million in unallocated Community Benefits Commitment used to provide transit passes for low-income workers and residents. We'd welcome re-scoring the project yet again if/as Google and/or the City make any future updates.

We look forward to seeing this project approved, hopefully with Catalyze SV's improvements

incorporated!

In the coming days, we'll be adding the above scorecard & letter to [our website](#). Thank you very much for considering our members' views on this project and keeping us updated as it moves forward! Warmly - Alex

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