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Good afternoon, Mayor and City Council.

Please find attached two letters supporting the Google Downtown West project from:

- **Willow Glen Business Association**
- **ACE Commuter Rail Service (San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission)**

Thank you for your consideration.

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May 24, 2021

Mayor Sam Liccardo and the San Jose City Council
200 E. Santa Clara St.
San Jose, CA 95113

RE: San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) Support for Google at Diridon

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and the City Council:

San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission is the owner/operator of the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) commuter rail service which has served Diridon Station for more than two decades. Please find this letter in support of Google's development plan near the San Jose Diridon Station.

Over the course of 20 years of ACE service, it has been demonstrated time and time again that focused and mixed development near stations has a beneficial impact on train ridership. The Diridon Station is an important transportation center for the ACE riders and more intensive land use will support the services that make Diridon Station such a significant transportation hub, including ACE, VTA, Caltrain, Capitol Corridor, and future High-Speed Rail and BART. This higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station will be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

The Downtown West project will include up to 7.3 millions square feet of employment space and 4,000 residential units (including 1,000 affordable) right at the doorstep of Diridon Station. This density and higher functionality of transit use near Diridon station could be significant in reaching the City's transportation mode shift goals.

Thank you very much for your consideration. If you or any of your representatives have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (530) 400-9475 or you can email me at dan@acerail.com.

Sincerely,

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TIM MULCAHY
Treasurer..

To the San Jose City Council and Mayor Sam Liccardo,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Willow Glen Business Association as not only a member property owner but as an 10 year member of the board including 3 years as President and the current C.F.O. and Treasurer. Over the past decade prior to the pandemic I've noticed the lack of foot traffic during work hours in our business district due to the commuting of our residents to other cities for work. When we instituted the road diet in 2015 the most vocal opponents of the lane reduction were commuters who viewed our business district as an obstacle to their travels. The businesses in the district see Lincoln Avenue as a destination. With that being said we believe that a development that will create thousands of jobs and homes within a few miles of our association should go a long way to help bring more patrons to the Lincoln Avenue business district.

The Willow Glen Business Association welcomes the Google Downtown Project and hopes it will be successful in transforming the area between downtown and our business district. We are hopeful that this project will spur investment on the northern portion of Lincoln Ave. More density around our business district is vital to the future success as we compete with Campbell for feet on the street.

I urge you to approve the project and help keep more San Jose residents working in this city and spending more in communities like Willow Glen..

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mulcahy and the W.G.B.A. Board..

