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August 16, 2022

Dear Mayor Enander, Vice-Mayor Meadows, and Members of the Los Altos City Council,

Los Altos Community Voices (LACV) enthusiastically supports the proposed housing development at 5150 El Camino Real, and we're thrilled that the development will bring 29 additional affordable units to our community. We encourage you to follow the Planning Commission's recommendation and approve the project so that permits can be issued and construction begun.

Thank you.

LACV Steering Committee

Robin Abrams, Curtis Cole, Kim Cranston, Bill Sheppard, Marie Young



8/23/2022

Los Altos City Council
1 North San Antonio Road
Los Altos, CA 94022

PublicComment@losaltosca.gov
Via Email

Re: 5150 El Camino Real
APN 170-04-066

Dear Los Altos City Council,

YIMBY Law is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation, whose mission is to increase the accessibility and affordability of housing in California. YIMBY Law sues municipalities when they fail to comply with state housing laws, including the Housing Accountability Act (HAA). As you know, the City Council has an obligation to abide by all relevant state housing laws when evaluating the above captioned proposal, including the HAA. Should the City fail to follow the law, YIMBY Law will not hesitate to file suit to ensure that the law is enforced.

The project consists of the demolition of an existing office building and the construction of 172 units of multifamily housing, with 29 of the units designated affordable for Low and Very Low income families. The development will also include 24 townhouses, and is utilizing a Density Bonus.

California Government Code § 65589.5, the Housing Accountability Act, prohibits localities from denying housing development projects that are compliant with the locality's zoning ordinance or general plan at the time the application was deemed complete, unless the locality can make findings that the proposed housing development would be a threat to public health and safety.

The above captioned proposal is zoning compliant and general plan compliant, therefore, your local agency must approve the application, or else make findings to the effect that the proposed project would have an adverse impact on public health and safety, as described above. Should the City fail to comply with the law, YIMBY Law will not hesitate to take legal action to ensure that the law is enforced.

I am signing this letter both in my capacity as the Executive Director of YIMBY Law, and as a resident of California who is affected by the shortage of housing in our state.

Sincerely,

Sonja Trauss

Sonja Trauss
Executive Director
YIMBY Law

