

January 2, 2024

Re: January 4, 2024, Meeting, Agenda Item #2 (Zone Text Amendments re Parking)

Dear Chair Steinle and Members of the Planning Commission:

The League of Women Voters (LWV) supports policies that encourage the development of housing, particularly affordable housing.

The programs proposed by staff were included in the Housing Element Update (HEU) adopted by Council, which the League has supported. The staff proposals should encourage development that will allow Los Altos to meet its Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) goals.

Los Altos has been reviewing its downtown parking standards for many years so we are pleased to learn that a parking consultant has been retained. Parking requirements have represented a constraint to building housing, including in downtown. We look forward to the consultant's assessment of parking needs in downtown.

Please send any questions about this email to Sue Russell, Co-Chair of the Housing Committee, at housing@lwvlamv.org.

Sincerely,

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