[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Re: Item #3

As a resident of the Summit Rd area, we used to have a VTA bus stop that was utilized by high school students and the disabled.

It used to go all the way to the library area. What happened?

Then I'd see the Hwy 17 Express bus drive right by the Summit area and stop near the post office and wonder why it didn't stop at the Summit Rd area?

Now that's even gone. And the buses that used to sit in front of the library don't even stop there. The closest VTA stop is over off of Winchester Blvd.

Why has Los Gatos stopped all public transportation? It's shameful that the Summit area of your town gets ignored consistently. It's shameful that all busses have disappeared.

I spoke to the customer service dept for the Hwy 17 Express this morning who said the service ceased in Los Gatos because she had heard it was because the town didn't want the homeless being dropped off there. A sentiment I can understand but still, to cut off the community from public transportation is abhorrent.

There used to be a bus that came up to Redwood Estates for the high school kids that cost a lot of money to use. Then Covid came and it hasn't been reinstated. Why? Where did all the Covid grants go?

I urge the council to request the VTA to reinstate busing service to Los Gatos and to the Summit Rd area. It is discriminatory to the disabled, it's discriminatory against people who don't drive or can't afford a vehicle and it's not environmentally friendly.

Thank you,

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