

2018 Los Altos City Council Study Session Comments

Thank you Mayor, Vice Mayor, CC. members, Public Works, CSC and city manager Chris Jordan for your time today.

I have been living in Los Altos for 23 years at the South East corner of Covington and Miramonte. I have been to numerous of our city council meetings. I have invaluable institutional knowledge. You have heard a lot of stories and opinions this evening. But here is what I have to say:

I respectfully and strongly asked you to STOP Miramonte Avenue Path Project CF-01006.

1-Safety

When we talk about safety, we must remember that there are 4 user groups affected: bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users, and residents. We are all of the above AND we are affected by the project 24x7.

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Accordingly to Complete Streets Principles and Practices all transportation projects and funding should serve all users. This means that ALL transportation improvements must be planned, designed, constructed, operated and maintained to support safe and convenient access for ALL users, and increase mobility for walking, bicycling and transit users.

This 24x7 project fails to do this, as residents will be negatively affected by the impact of right of way easement during commuting hours and bicycle vehicle interaction at driveways.

2-Traffic Calming

We want to make it safe for everyone, including residents. We have been waiting for traffic calming since 2011. Traffic calming is an actionable item that positively affects all residents, pedestrians and bicyclists.

3-Outreach and to seek and respond to public Input

It is a fair practice to notify residents on a 500 feet distance from a future project. However, notices were not sent to a number of residents.

Finally:

- I strongly oppose the Miramonte Path Project CF-01006, and I asked you to STOP it.
- I request traffic calming PRIOR to other projects
- I request fair outreach
- I request the counting of bicyclists PLUS pedestrians in the fall and additional parking studies
- To go ahead with this project is a detriment and lowers the quality of life and safety for Miramonte Avenue and adjacent streets residents.

Viviana Elizabeth Bardina

“Miramonte Pathways Project” NOTICE

Did you know the rural, family-oriented atmosphere of our beautiful city is to be changed? A plan accepted by the City of Los Altos, but without a vote of City Council will do just that. Help us make a vote a priority. Together we can maintain Los Altos the sanctuary in the middle of Silicon Valley for which it is known.

In 2016 the City of Los Altos began formulating a plan for Miramonte Avenue with little notice, and little chance for input from the citizens impacted by this project. The plan is entitled “Project TS-01033”. Phase I is from Los Altos city limit to just south of Berry Avenue and implementation of the plan is scheduled to begin this summer. The cost of this phase is ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. The money comes from a grant from ABAG (Assn of Bay Area Governments) through the VTA (Valley Transportation Authority) with some city funds.

The plan consists of *narrowing Miramonte Avenue* between the city limits and Berry Avenue for cars; *increasing the bike lane width* with enhanced marking; *building a cement curb* with sidewalk of decomposed granite (DG); and the conscious decision to *remove most parking on Miramonte*. This has effects that we feel City Council has not adequately addressed. The plan suggests that guests of folks residing on Miramonte may no longer park safely right in front. Homeowners, service vehicles and construction vehicles will be crowding the streets adjacent to Miramonte. The Complete Streets Commission touts fact it keeps continuity with Mountain View—at our expense! All with no city vote.

We, residents of Miramonte Avenue and adjoining streets invite you to help us let City Council know you are concerned by signing the appended *Memorandum of Concern: “Stop further work on the Miramonte Pathways Project! Do not move forward with any project of this scope without the proper involvement of the residents”* ...

This is an opportunity for you to help in the survival of the quiet, safe town that we all know and love.

Project TS-01033 work is scheduled to begin this summer. Will you help?

- Please sign our *Memorandum of Support*. We will tabulate numbers. We will hand petition over to the city clerk at Council Meeting, May 22 @ 7 pm.
- Please join us at the city Council meeting May 22! By signing and giving us your email, we'll send you a reminder of the date and time of the meeting.
- Write City Council! General e-mail forwarded to all council members: Council@losaltosca.gov or:

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Information? email [redacted] Michele & Ronn Coldiron for Mira/Cov residents

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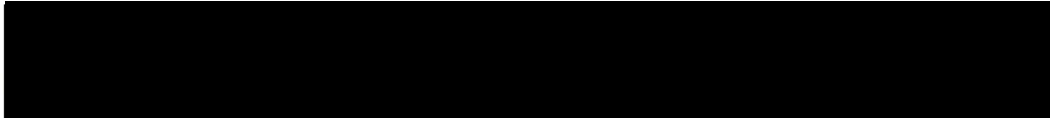
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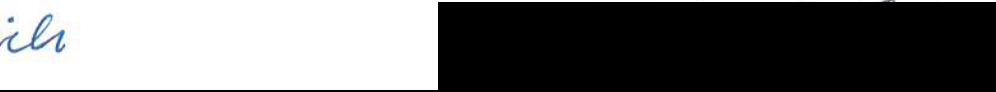
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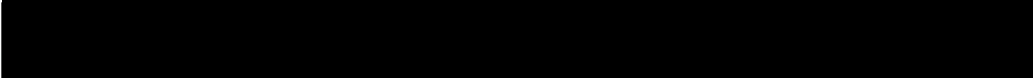
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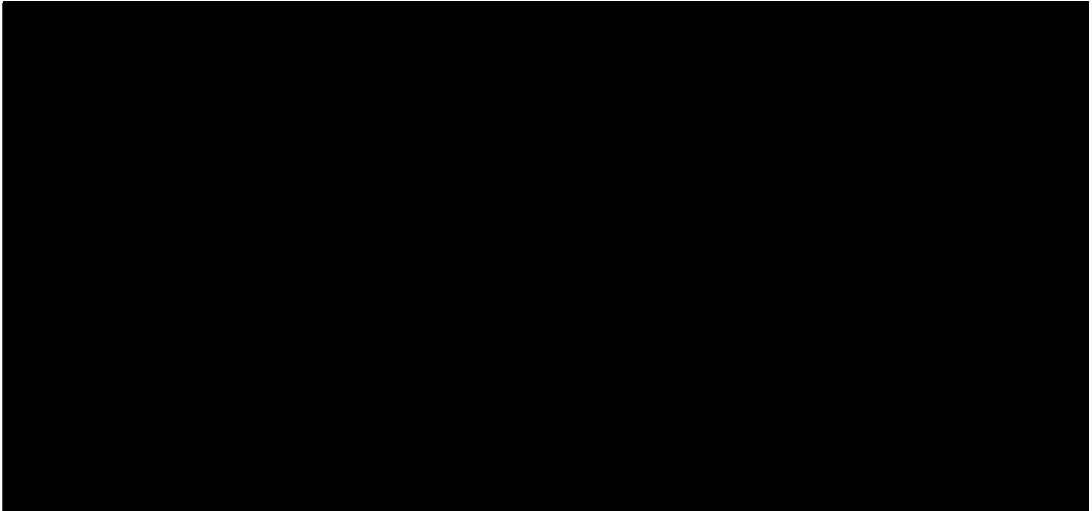
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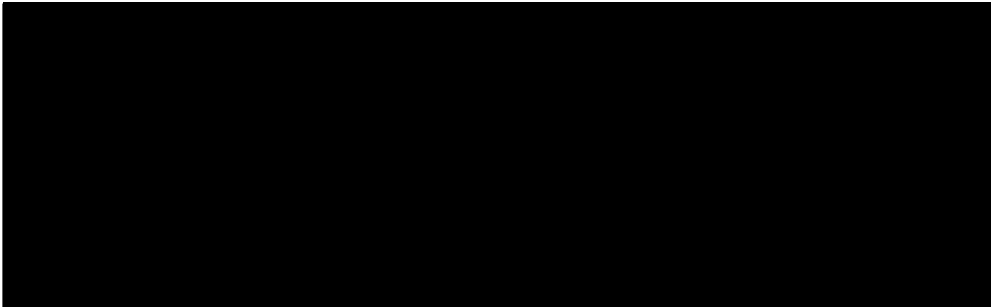
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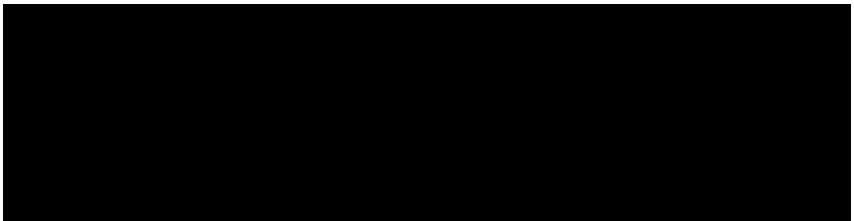
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