

October 17, 2008

David Stealey 510 N. Henry Avenue San José, CA 95117

Dear Mr. Stealey:

SUBJECT: SANTA CLARA GARDENS PROJECT

Thank you for attending the Rules and Open Government Committee on September 10, 2008 regarding the Winchester Boulevard traffic modifications proposed for the Santa Clara Gardens project. This letter is to follow up on two items that were requested at the meeting.

The first item is to let you know that construction of the proposed signal modification at Winchester Drive and Forest Boulevard is not scheduled at this time. The engineering plans have been reviewed by City of San José staff, revised by the developer's engineer, and have been resubmitted to the City. Typically, signal modifications and off-site improvements are coordinated with the completion of the project to ensure access needs are met. The change to the signal would not be activated until the new street is open to traffic on Winchester Boulevard.

The best way to keep up to date on the project's schedule and the status of the signal modifications is to call the Project Engineer, Vivian Tom, at (408) 535-6819.

The second item is related to traffic calming. In the event that traffic patterns from the Santa Clara Gardens project or the Valley Fair expansion create unforeseen impacts within the neighborhood, the City will conduct a traffic calming study and determine if measures are necessary to mitigate this impact. At the Rules and Open Government Committee meeting, we heard concerns that traffic on Jill and Fernwood Avenues should be included in this study. The Valley Fair development and the Santa Clara Gardens development have committed to funding these mitigations consistent with the City's traffic calming policy. To confirm this commitment, enclosed is a letter from Summerhill Homes. Ensuring the livability of this neighborhood after these projects have been completed is very important to us.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (408) 535-8444 or Timm Borden, Deputy Director, at (408) 535-8499.

Sincerely,

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