



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area  
97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, CA 94022**

May 24, 2015

Mayor John McAlister and Members of the City Council  
City of Mountain View  
500 Castro Street  
Mountain View 94041

Re: Study Session: Park Land Dedication Ordinance

Dear Mayor McAlister and Members of the City Council:

The League of Women Voters of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area supports the recommendation of the EPC to provide a 100% credit on park land requirements for developments that provide 100% affordable housing units.

The staff report makes clear that park fees are a costly expense for affordable housing developers. Since financing for affordable housing is becoming scarcer and the need for affordable housing in Mountain View is escalating dramatically, we support this method of reducing the cost of building affordable housing.

We note that many neighboring cities already provide such a credit to affordable housing developers. The LWVC supports action at all levels of government for the provision of affordable housing for all Californians; the proposed ordinance is one method of helping to provide this housing.

Thank you for considering our input.

Sincerely yours,

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