



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area**

May 5, 2020

Chair Bressack and Members of the Planning Commission
City of Los Altos
One North San Antonio Road
Los Altos, CA 94022

Re: Planning Commission Meeting May 7th – Draft ADU Ordinance

Dear Chair Bressack and Members of the Planning Commission

Again, the League of Women Voters of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area commends the City for proceeding with adoption of code amendments so that the Los Altos Municipal Code is consistent with new State laws regarding accessory dwelling units (ADUs). We are pleased to see that new ADUs will not be allowed to be short-term rentals; therefore, they will constitute new housing that is more “affordable by design”.

We applaud Staff for receiving support of the California Housing and Community Development on the revisions. We urge further exploration by the Planning Commission of incentives besides the proposed voluntary daylight plane provisions to encourage homeowners to construct ADUs in a neighbor-friendly manner when the detached units are built close to the property line.

Sue Russell

Co-Chair, Housing Committee, LWV of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area

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