



November 15, 2020

Mayor Abe-Koga and Members of the City Council
City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street
Mountain View 94041

Re: City Council Meeting, Nov. 17th, Agenda Item 6.2 – 2645-2655 Fayette Drive

Dear Mayor Abe-Koga and Members of the City Council:

As we wrote to the EPC, the LWV urges the Commission to approve the Octane proposed development at 2645-2655 Fayette Drive. We especially like the concept of stacked ownership units and the inclusion of so many family-sized units. We support affordable housing for all Californians and **this project will supply a diversity of housing types** not typically being built in Mountain View.

The proposal conforms to the San Antonio Precise Plan (SAPP) and fits well into the neighborhood. We approve the emphasis on underground parking of the SAPP; the parking seems more than sufficient with the proximity to good public transit. As we wrote earlier, we would like to see the unit mix of BMRs reflect the unit mix of the entire project as the City typically requires, but we understand that the developer is entitled to this incentive of supplying all BMRs as one-bedroom units.

Similarly, we understand that per the State Density Bonus Law because two of the former units were rented to those with unknown incomes, Octane is not required to replace all six lost rental units with BMRs, but, like the EPC, we would like to see the developer build six BMRs in keeping with the spirit of the law.

We also like the proposal of the enhanced crosswalk to connect the two proposed public parks.

Thank you for considering our input.

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