November 9, 2020

Honorable Mayor & City Council
San Jose City Hall
200 E. Santa Clara St. 18th Floor
San Jose, CA 95113

RE: Measure E Spending Plan & Affordable Housing Investment Plan
(Items 8.5 & 8.6 on the 11/10 Agenda)

Dear Mayor Liccardo & Members of the City Council,

On behalf of Destination: Home, I write in support of both the updated Affordable Housing Investment Plan and the Measure E Spending Plan. The spending priorities outlined in these plans are strongly aligned with the strategies outlined in the new 2020-2025 Community Plan to End Homelessness and will be critical to helping our most vulnerable and at-risk residents become and remain stably housed.

In particular, the City’s continued commitment to funding the development of Extremely Low Income (ELI) housing remains one of our most important long-term strategies for addressing our homelessness crisis. And by adopting the proposed Measure E spending plan (which includes 45% for ELI housing), we can both keep faith with San Jose voters and ensure that this new source of revenue aligns with the objectives of our existing Affordable Housing Investment Plan.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Thank You,

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RE: Council Agenda Items 8.5 & 8.6
Mayor Liccardo and City Councilmembers,

I write to urge you to move forward in allocating and putting to use Measure E funds for the provision of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).

On June 26, 2020, the City Council recommended a proposal that will allocate the first $5 million generated from Measure E to be put towards Accessory Dwelling Units Loan Program (ADUs) within the 10% moderate-income tranche of Measure E revenues for this program. In Year 1, there is $2,850,000 available for the development of an ADU program. It is my understanding that this program is currently on hold due to COVID-19 priorities and the recent departure of the Executive Director of the Housing Trust Silicon Valley.

I hope the City Council will determine that the ADU program is important enough to prioritize spending of Measure E funds in Year 1 and move forward to invest these funds in our neighborhoods.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Best wishes,

Ron Gonzales
President & CEO
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