

Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning 817 Montgomery Street Mountain View, CA 94041

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Mountain View City Council City Hall, 500 Castro Street PO Box 7540 Mountain View, CA 94039-7540

Re: Strong support for 7.1 Sustainability Action Plan 4

Dear Mayor Matichak and City Council members:

The Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning (MVCSP) appreciates the opportunity to provide strong support for 1. Adopting the Sustainability Action Plan 4 (SAP-4); and 2. Approving a three year spending plan for the Sustainability Fund appropriated by City Council.

Two of our active members were part of the Environmental Sustainability Task Force 2 (ESTF-2). We are very pleased that many of the ESTF-2 high priority actions are included in SAP-4. The newly proposed and currently planned actions in Attachment 4 are very comprehensive, well thought out, and provide for a manager level team led by a Chief Sustainability and Resilience Officer with sufficient staffing to fully implement SAP-4 recommendations in a timely manner. MVCSP appreciates the compilation of both additional budget items and those actions that are already in the existing Mountain View budget in Attachment 2. We are thrilled that SAP-4 exceeds our expectations in providing continued leadership by the City of Mountain View to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.

The efforts in SAP-4 to engage both residents and employees throughout Mountain View should be applauded. We agree with the Council Environmental Sustainability Committee comment and staff response for leveraging outreach programs to support multiple sustainability goals whenever possible. This household level engagement is critical to the successful implementation of the SAP-4 initiatives.

Please call on MVCSP to assist with outreach as needed.

In closing, we would like to complement city staff involved with preparing SAP-4. A job WELL DONE!

Sincerely,

Cliff Chambers

For the Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning

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About Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning

The Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning is a group of local volunteers dedicated to making Mountain View as beautiful, economically healthy, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian accessible, and affordable as possible. MVCSP member interest and expertise covers areas such as housing, transportation, the environment, the economy, and beyond!

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