



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

June 7, 2018

Mayor Lynette Lee Eng Members of the City Council  
City of Los Altos  
1 N. San Antonio Road  
Los Altos, CA 94022

Re: City Council Meeting June 11<sup>th</sup>, Agenda Item #6 – 385-389 First Street Development Proposal

Dear Mayor Lee Eng and Members of the City Council

The LWV supports affordable housing and incentives for development of affordable housing. We also support inclusionary zoning, which means including below-market-rate units (BMRs) within both rental and for-sale complexes. The League believes that dispersing BMRs within a larger complex has been shown to be a socioeconomic and political success in California.

Although this mixed use development proposal for 385-389 First Street is contributing only a small piece of affordable housing, it is a step towards providing affordable housing in Los Altos. We were pleased to see the Council increase the inclusionary requirements so that 15% of the units must be affordable. We would have been much happier if this project was subject to the newly adopted regulations. Nonetheless, the project conforms to the relevant State and City laws and, also, supports the goals of the Downtown Vision Plan by adding both housing and commercial space, so we urge approval of this development.

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

Cc: Chris Jordan                      Jon Biggs                      Steve Golden

**Chris Jordan**

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**From:** Darwin & Donna Poulos  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2019 1:47 PM  
**To:** City Council  
**Subject:** Council Meeting on June 11, 2019: Agenda Item #6, 385-389 First Street Development Proposal

Dear Mayor Lee Eng and City Council Members:

I support approval of the above agenda item. I strongly believe that our city needs to highly prioritize affordable housing, for all income levels. This project does at least contain one moderate-income unit and thus it is a small step forward and does comply with what were the requirements at the time that it was approved.

Thank you for increasing to 15% the number of "affordable" housing units required for new development if the future. Please require that these units be built, instead of accepting in-lieu fees. We need the housing ASAP. Who know when the in-lieu fees will actually be used to build the affordable housing?

Donna Poulos,  
30+ year Los Altos resident in the Loyola Corners neighborhood