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January 31, 2017

Glenn Hendricks
Mayor

The Honorable Warren Slocum, President
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
400 County Center
Redwood City, California 94063

Gustav Larsson
Vice Mayor

Dear President Slocum:

Jim Griffith
Councilmember

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, I am writing to request information on the County's intent with regard to the Bayside Visual Approach (BVA). As you know, the six month pilot authorized by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) came to a close in early January. Additionally, the City requests that the County share the airplane noise complaint data collected since the start of the pilot.

Larry Klein
Councilmember

Nancy Smith
Councilmember

Sunnyvale previously expressed significant concern with how the pilot was implemented – without appropriate consultation and notification with members of the affected communities or with local elected officials. The County responded to the lack of engagement by co-hosting a townhall after the pilot began. I am hopeful that the level of engagement since the townhall will only increase.

Russ Melton
Councilmember

Michael S. Goldman
Councilmember

According to the FAA, with the end of the pilot, and upon our inquiry on the status, the FAA stated that they await word from San Mateo County or Surf Air about pursuit of a full implementation of the BVA. We request that the County inform the City of Sunnyvale of its intention with regard to full implementation.

The City's concerns remain – that Sunnyvale residential units and schools are directly under and adjacent to the BVA route; and that this proposed solution simply shifts noise pollution from one community to another.

I look forward to your response. Please feel free to contact me or Yvette Blackford (yblackford@sunnyvale.ca.gov; 408-730-7475) with any questions.

Sincerely,



Glenn Hendricks
Mayor

cc: Congressman Ro Khanna
Chris Moylan, Ro Khanna's District Office Director
Supervisor Joe Simitian
Supervisor Dave Cortese
Palo Alto City Council
Mountain View City Council
Sunnyvale City Council
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