David Stillman

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Sean Lyn

Sent: To: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 10:27 PM Tiffanie Cardenas: David Stillman

Subject:

RE: Pedestrian Plan article - Cupertino Courier 3-2-2018

Hi David/Tiffanie -

Can we discuss for March meeting?

Sean

From: Kathy R Chole [kathychole@comcast.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 03, 2018 7:58 PM

To: City Council

Cc: Sean Lyn; ksarwari@bayareanewsgroup.com; David Stillman; Timm Borden

Subject: Pedestrian Plan article - Cupertino Courier 3-2-2018

Dear City Council,

This is my first time formally addressing the City Council members of Cupertino regarding the Pedestrian Transportation Plan and your approval on 2/20/2018.

In this week's edition of the Cupertino Courier dated 03-02-2018 the front page article addresses the approval of the Plan with quotes from Rod Sinks, David Stillman, Tim Borden and Larry Dean (member of walk-bike Cupertino). I find it a very biased article with the only community resident, Larry Dean, being quoted by saying he is "fully supportive of this plan". There were also 4 members of our fine community that voiced their concerns during oral communications at the 2-20-2018 council meeting relating specifically to the safety of the Regnart Creek Trail proposal with no mention in the Courier article. Speakers were Linda Wyckoff, Julia Miyakawa, myself (Kathy Chole) and Gary Wong.

I find it undeserving that opposing views from the Community go unacknowledged in newspaper articles and studies in general.

Although Regnart Creek Trail is only one of the proposals in the Plan, it is one that concerns almost every resident that is directly impacted and many more not on the creek. Full transparency of all communications must be heard if the community is to feel they have a voice.

Just a final comment for now, concentration needs to be on the West side of Cupertino where sidewalks are lacking and pedestrians want to walk. Reference: Figure 9 – Sidewalk Inventory and Figure 6 – Composite pedestrian demand index map of Cupertino Pedestrian Transportation Plan. I would strongly encourage council to direct staff to concentrate on the most prominent needs and not on a residential Trail (Regnart Creek) that was previously voted down by the sitting council members in 2005.

Regards,

Kathy Chole

P.S. I would have copied Larry Dean, but I was unable to find contact information. Feel free to forward to him.