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Cupertino City Council Fails to Support Its Citizens

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What is going on with the so-called government of Cupertino?

Item #18: Second reading of the Repeal of the Specific Plan and Development Agreement for Vallco Town Center.

Is it acceptable for this council to unilaterally reject a \$130 million transportation package and another \$130 million in civic community benefits, including money for CUSD, FUHSD, and a new city hall? At the previous session, councilmembers did not compare options, just repeated campaign rhetoric, without noting that the Specific Plan has more housing, lower building heights, less office space, plus traffic mitigation, substantial school benefits, a new city hall, bicycle and pedestrian trail improvements, and more retail space than the default SB 35 project. Councilmembers even cast aside prior assurances to vote to repeal, as dramatically underscored when one member of the public played Mayor Scharf's own words back to him.

How can this Council repeal an Ordinance without a vote of the community?

"1. Repeal

The City Council of the City of Cupertino hereby repeals Ordinance No. 18-2179 in its entirety which approved a Development Agreement by and between the City of Cupertino and Vallco Property Owner LLC for the development of Vallco Town Center, as shown in Exhibit DA-1 to Ordinance No. 18-2179."

The State law (SB35) is in effect for the Vallco property - does our Council have the authority to overrule State law?

The arrogance and ignorance of the current Council is appalling - and needs to stop. Perhaps Council will wait until 2am to address this issue - and continue to abrogate its responsibility for transparency and accountability.

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