Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman

Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:29 AM

To: Kim Lunt

Subject: FW: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail **Attachments:** Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail

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From: Hervé Marcy <herve@hmarcy.com>

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 5:52 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail

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Subject: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail **Attachments:** OpenPGP_0x8DF25C1BFDEA20B8.asc; OpenPGP_signature.dat

Dear Mayor Paul and City Councilmembers,

I ask that you vote NO to closing the walking pathway along Lozano Lane, which will connect Rodrigues Avenue and the Regnart Creek Trail, which is planned to open this year.

We as a family residing in Cupertino would benefit from using the easement path at Lozano Lane to get to the Regnart Creek trail, as this would mean a direct access to a safe pedestrian way to go to, for instance, the Cupertino Library and Wilson Park, where our kids spend a lot of time.

The benefit for all of these residents should be an overwhelming consideration compared to the eight homeowners living next to an existing and designated walking path.

The city expressly kept the rights to this path when the Lozano Lane HOA was formed decades ago to make sure local residents could use it to get to the Regnart Creek Trail. This path has been in place since the homes were built. Each and every homeowner knew this when they bought their home.

If there is a new concern now -after almost 20 years of use- that people will cross in the middle of Rodrigues to access the path, there are traffic calming solutions available to the city.

This path easement is worth around \$1 million. It is financially irresponsible of the city to just give it away to these 8 homeowners.

Treating this easement differently than the many other very similar easements in Cupertino gives the impression of an improper sweetheart deal to benefit a handful of residents at the expense of hundreds of other residents.

I urge you today for the sake of ALL the residents of Cupertino to leave the walking path along Lozano Lane as it was built and intended to be all along. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Hervé Marcy

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From: David Stillman

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30 AM Sent:

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Dear Mayor Paul and City Councilmembers,

I ask that you vote NO to closing the walking pathway along Lozano Lane, which will connect Rodrigues Avenue and the Regnart Creek Trail, which is planned to open this year.

There are hundreds of townhouses and apartments along Rodrigues with thousands of residents who would benefit from using the easement path atLozano Lane to get to the Regnart Creek trail. The benefit for all of these residents should be an overwhelming consideration compared to the eight homeowners living next to an existing and designated walking path.

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I urge you today for the sake of ALL the residents of Cupertino to leave the walking path along LozanoLane as it was built and intended to be all along. Thank you.

Sincerely, Prerana T

Subject: FW: Item 4: Vote No on Gifting the Lozano Lane Easement and Champion Connectivity for the Public

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:29:54 AM

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From: John Zhao <jzhao098@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 12:52 AM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Item 4: Vote No on Gifting the Lozano Lane Easement and Champion Connectivity for the

Public

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Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I urge you to vote no on gifting the pedestrian path along Lozano Lane connecting Rodrigues Ave to the Regnart Creek Trail.

Connectivity is key. As somebody who grew up in Biltmore as a child, I know how useful this pedestrian path could be for residents in Biltmore Apartments and Waterfall Condominiums. From a connectivity perspective, it simply does not make sense to cut off an access point to the trail.

The City must be a good steward of public resources. If the City goes through with donating the land, the Lozano Lane HOA intends to fence off this pathway to restrict access. First, why does the City want to donate land worth \$1 million? What is the purpose of privatizing public land and restricting access to the public? What are the policies that would guide this decision? This seems antithetical to the reason for the Regnart Creek Trail, which is to increase connectivity and encourage people to make better use of our public resources. This

does not seem like good stewardship of City resources.

Let's reframe what "impact" this path may have. The Lazano Lane pedestrian path will only "impact" 8 houses in the complex. And when I say "impact," I don't even mean that it would necessarily be negative. With high foot and wheel traffic in this area, there should be few safety concerns, as there would be many eyes on the street. Please also consider the epidemic of social isolation in suburbs. From comparing my personal experience of living in the Cupertino suburbs and in urban settings, I know that simply being in the presence of more people can help alleviate a sense of social isolation. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, I think many people could benefit from more social (and distanced) interactions, however minor they are. Even if there were any negative impacts, I urge the commission to consider the benefit that increased connectivity will bring to our city.

We must be consistent with our logic. Even if there were negative impacts to Lozano Lane homeowners, what makes this any different than the impact to residents living along Regnart Creek Trail? If City Council believes that Lozano Lane pedestrian path should be closed down to reduce impact on neighboring residents, the same reasoning should apply to Regnart Creek Trail. Clearly, we have already made a policy choice to move forward with Regnart Creek Trail. Clearly, our city has already made a decision that values better connectivity, walkability, and bikeability for the larger population over the potential discomfort of neighboring residents.

So I urge you to have the courage to be consistent and vote in favor of connectivity and preserving our commons. Please vote NO to gifting the pedestrian path to Lazano Lane HOA.

Sincerely, John Zhao

Subject: FW: Regnart trail and Lozano Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:05 AM

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From: Patti Schmidt <4pattischmidt@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 6:54 AM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Regnart trail and Lozano

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Bike Ped Commission,

I urge the city council to please vote no to closing the path along Lozano Lane that connects to the future Regnart Trail, a change that was first brought up on March 1.

This easement is important for many many residents who will use this access point to the Regnart Trail. Why would you want to do this and make this important path less functional? So many students will use this access for travel to school or the library or to the ball field. Other residents will access the trail here, too.

If trails are not accessible at various points they become somewhat useless tubes with a portal at each end and not helpful to those who live along the

pathway and need to enter midway.

By closing off this access point you set a dangerous precedent for other pathways to be subpar.

I want Cupertino to be bike and pedestrian friendly. Cities that have established systems outside of roads create healthier living, an important goal of most new residents.

This access path has been in use since the Lozano and DePalma condominiums were built almost 20 years ago. When the homeowners bought their homes, they signed an agreement acknowledging the path location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. There are similar easements that run between homes elsewhere in Cupertino, so there is no argument this is a unique case. It's a bad precedent to take it out now.

Thank you for considering the needs of the many people that use and enjoy this path and will even more once the Regnart Creek Trail opens by voting NO on March 1.

Sincerely,

Patti Schmidt 938 Ferngrove Drive

Patti Schmidt

Subject: FW: Please Keep Lozano Lane open at Regnart Trail

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:12 AM

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From: Mona Schorow <monaschorow@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 7:22 AM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Please Keep Lozano Lane open at Regnart Trail

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Dear Bike Pedestrian Commission:

I and my neighbors would like Lozano Lane to be open to the Regnart Trail. My neighbors and I look forward to (respectfully) using it. The city should keep the path as previously decided.

Sincerely, Mona Schorow

Subject: FW: Lozano Lane Access

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:22 AM Date:

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From: Tom Scannell <tscannell01@earthlink.net>

Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 12:35 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Lozano Lane Access

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To the Cupertino Bike Pedestrian Commission

I urge you to maintain the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

Why do I say this?

First, the current configuration of the Regnart Creek trail was the subject of intense discussion and many votes at both your Commission and the City Council for many years. What new facts are now available that would make the Bike-Ped committee think it appropriate make a major change to the plan at this late date?

Second, since there are such easements throughout the city, why are these 8 home owners being shown such favoritism? It's been 20 years since the legal creation of the easement. Each of these homeowners knew about the existence of the easement when they bought their property.

Third, per the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community. Preserving and increasing, NOT decreasing, the entry points to Regnart Trail should be the focus of the Bike-Ped Commission

Finally, frankly, such a grant would "smell" pretty badly. I would question the motivation of the members of the Bike-Ped Commission to grant a "private park" to a small group of households over the interests of the rest of the citizens?

Please do not close the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

Thanks

Tom Scannell 42 year resident of Cupertino

Subject: FW: Please keep Lozano Lane access open to the Regnart Creek Trail

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:33 AM

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From: Peter Ludemann <peter.ludemann@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 2:16 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Please keep Lozano Lane access open to the Regnart Creek Trail

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Please keep open the Lozano Lane easement access path to the Regnart Creek Trail and vote No on June 15.

I live near Cupertino, in south Los Altos (our daughters' high schools are in Cupertino); I would visit Cupertino more and spend money at businesses there more, if it were more welcoming to bicyclists. Cupertino needs a lot more alternatives to automobiles for getting around; and these alternatives are only useful if they form a complete network, of which the Regnart Creek Trail is one part. Please don't let a few noisy home owners, whose concerns have already been addressed at significant cost, block the rest of the community.

Sincerely,

Peter Ludemann

From: <u>David Stillman</u>
To: <u>Kim Lunt</u>

Subject: FW: agenda item 4, pedestrian walkway and crosswalk

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:39 AM

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From: Anne Ng <anneng@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 3:26 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Cc: seema3366@gmail.com

Subject: agenda item 4, pedestrian walkway and crosswalk

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Honorable Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners:

Please recommend preserving the Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement to the Regnart Creek Trail through the Campo de Lozano property, and endorse the installation of a crosswalk on Rodriguez nearby, Concept B or C.

Please place the safety and convenience of the rest of us in Cupertino, especially the folks who live in the multi-family housing across Rodriguez from the Walkway and Trail, above the wishes of the residents of Campo de Lozano, who knew when they bought their properties that the easement existed.

I assume that line of sight considerations preclude placing a crosswalk at the point the Walkway meets Rodriguez, but the closer the better to encourage its use.

Thank you,

Anne Ng 6031 Bollinger Road

Cupertino

Subject: FW: Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to Regnart Creek trail

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:48 AM

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From: Koray Oner <koray_oner@yahoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 4:56 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org> **Subject:** Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to Regnart Creek trail

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Dear Mayor Paul and respected councilmembers,

Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

I am sick and tired of coming back to this. I want tons of bike lanes in Cupertino. I spent till 1 or 2am when you discussed this at City Hall. I thought this was resolved but you keep bringing this back again and again.

If you don't stop these and allow bike lanes, I promise that I will start largest city wide propaganda to get rid of all of you and bring people who believe the good of all of the city and not a few home owners. Enough already of NIMBYism!!!

We are a community and not only individuals. We need to look for the good of all and not a few.

Thanks,

Koray Oner 16 year Cupertino and 25 year South Bay resident PS. I will organize all the youth of Cupertino as well.

Sent from my iPhone

David Stillman From: To: Kim Lunt

Subject: FW: Lozano Lane.

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:55 AM

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From: Richard Blaine <dick@theblaines.net>

Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2022 2:33 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Lozano Lane.

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Please keep access.

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Dick Blaine Cupertino, CA

Subject: FW: Lozano Lane to Regnart Trail

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:03 AM

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Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2022 3:37 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Lozano Lane to Regnart Trail

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To the Bike Pedestrian Commission,

As I will not be available for the June 15th Commission Meeting, I'm writing to you to please vote **NO** on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek Trail.

Lozano Lane access path is one of several strategically located access paths to the Regnart Creek Trail. If we start closing designated easements we start down a slippery slope of others making the same request for other easements. The easements were created for a reason and the Regnart Creek Trail is one of the best reasons as it provides a trail for all of Cupertino to enjoy.

We walked the Lozano Lane access path and feel that it has been there for a long time. We don't feel the homes near there are going to be affected anymore now than they were in the past.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON CLOSING LAZANO LANE ACCESS PATH.

Sincerly, Sharon Walker 10902 Canyon Vista Drive. Cupertino, CA 95014

Subject: FW: Keep Lozano Lane pathway open to pedestrians (Agenda item 4)

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:19 AM

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From: Jennifer Shearin < coralcape 99@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 9:30 AM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Keep Lozano Lane pathway open to pedestrians (Agenda item 4)

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Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I write today as a 10 year+ resident of Cupertino who has been active in walking and biking advocacy for many years now. Agenda item 4 on your upcoming meeting agenda is to consider closing the path that is adjacent to Lozano Lane that will connect and access the Regnart Creek Trail. I ask that you vote NO to closing this walking path and keep it open for the use of walking residents.

Cupertino residents want more walking paths and connectivity in their city, not less. The Parks & Recreation Master Plan states that 80% of residents desire "more trails and paths", and 85% want "improved access to natural open spaces", such as parks. Closing this path would be the opposite of what the overwhelming number of residents wish for and the city's own goals.

As Bicycle and Pedestrian Commissioners, your objectives (per the city BPC page) are:

Expand middle and high school student bicycle and pedestrian trips to 40% of total

school commutes.

• Expand intra-city trips for errands and leisure by adults and seniors via bicycle/walking to 20% of trips.

This path is needed to accomplish your objectives, through encouraging and making more convenient pedestrian trips. The hundreds of residents of the Waterfall Condominiums and the Biltmore Apartments in particular would be affected. They could use this path, once the Regnart Trail is open, to safely and easily travel to Eaton Elementary—a much better walk than along busy Blaney Avenue—or to travel to the library or to head east go to Cupertino High. If a new crosswalk ultimately needs to be added on Rodrigues, it would be an improvement for everyone; a mid-block crossing on this long street would slow down traffic in this residential area.

<u>Furthermore</u>, having an easement for a walking path such as this one is not a unique <u>situation in Cupertino</u>. There are similar easements that run between homes elsewhere in Cupertino, such as into Wilson Park from Vicksburg Drive, and the long stairway path from top of McClellan (at the turn) down to base of McClellan. Eliminating this easement is a bad precedent for the city for future connectivity, and for use of the other easements within the city, too.

Lastly, there doesn't seem to be a compelling reason to give away this easement. The Lozano access path on a city easement was an agreement of subdivision development before any home construction, and was and is designated as a planned connection to the future Regnart Creek Trail. The Lozano HOA CCR which designates this path was filed in 2003, with home construction starting in 2004. The path has been in use since then, and each homeowner has signed an agreement acknowledging the path location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. It is clear that the City Council cares about individual privacy concerns—the almost \$2 million spent in privacy mitigation spending for this trail shows that —but the overall benefit of the Regnart Trail for all the city's residents should not be decreased as a consequence.

Thank you for considering the needs of the many people that use and enjoy this path and will even more once the Regnart Creek Trail opens by voting to leave the Lozano Lane pedestrian path in place on June 15.

Best Wishes,

Jennifer Shearin 19511 Howard Ct.

Subject: FW: Lozano lane bike path

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:29 AM

Attachments: Important we need your help for the Regnart Creek Trail access path.rtf

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From: Charles Bombelyn <chuckker@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 7:15 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Lozano lane bike path

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Please leave the access path open. It makes no sense to give the land away and sets a bad precedent.

Thank you Charles Bombelyn 10281 Torre Ave From: J Shearin <shearin.jen@gmail.com>

Subject: Important: we need your help for the Regnart

Creek Trail access path

Date: June 10, 2022 at 4:42:13 PM PDT

To: chuckker@aol.com

Hello Charles,

You have been a steadfast supporter of the Regnart Creek trail and we are deeply grateful for it. We need your support again next week to keep the Lozano Lane access path open. It'll be easy and only take about one minute of your time.

The Bike Ped Commission is meeting on Wednesday June 15 at 7pm and Item 4 on the agenda is to consider giving the Lozano Lane access path and the easement back to the sub-division. The BPC needs to hear from residents that the city should not give away this easement and close the path. The recommendation from the BPC will be considered by the Council in their final decision soon.

Here's what we're asking: Below is the email you sent previously in support of the access path at Lozano Lane. Please copy and paste (don't forward) your previous email into a brand new email and send it to the bike ped commission at bikepedcommission@cupertino.org. That's it.

If you have time and can dial in to the meeting to read your email in person, that would be amazing, but sending it via email is also great. If you need a refresher as to why it's important to keep the path open, here's a <u>summary document that outlines the key points.</u>

Thank you again for all your help and support through the past six years that we've been working to make the Regnart Creek Trail a reality. The trail is scheduled to open by the end of 2022 and we couldn't have done it without you!

All the best, Jennifer Shearin and Seema Lindskog Walk-Bike Cupertino Board

Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I urge you to vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail. There are many reasons why it's a good idea to leave the path open.

- There are many similar easements in Cupertino. If you agree to give this land back to the 8 homeowners in the Lozano Lane HOA, you set a dangerous precedent. Why wouldn't the residents along the other easements ask to have their easements closed too? This would hurt the quality of life of hundreds of residents who use these easements on a daily basis.
- Thousands of residents will benefit. For hundreds of residents at Waterfall Condominiums and Biltmore Apartments, the Lozano Lane easement would be the easiest way to connect to

the trail. If a crosswalk is needed on Rodrigues, it will help slow down the already too fast traffic on that road.

- It looks like favoritism. Treating this easement differently than all the other easements in Cupertino gives the impression of an improper sweetheart deal for a handful of residents. Why are these 8 home owners being given \$1 Million worth of Cupertino land 20 years after the legal creation of the easement, to the detriment of the rest of the tax paying Cupertino community? Each of these homeowners knew about the existence of the easement when they bought their property.
- One of the city's core priorities is greater connectivity among neighborhoods and residents. Preserving and increasing, NOT decreasing, the entry points to Regnart Trail allows for increased walking and biking along Regnart Trail with neighbors meeting neighbors and forming friendships. Per the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community.

Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.
Charles Bombelyn
10282 Torre Ave

I see no valid reason to give away public property like this proposal does. If the residents have an objection to seeing people use the access trail they can fence it off with shrubbery or a fence.

Thanks

From: <u>David Stillman</u>
To: <u>Kim Lunt</u>

Subject: FW: Discussion of Lozano Lane Pedestrian Easement

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 12:48:40 PM

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From: Dino Sakkas <dinosaddr@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 12:47 PM

To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>

Subject: Discussion of Lozano Lane Pedestrian Easement

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Dear Commissioners,

I am a 30+ year resident of Cupertino and an avid walker and cyclist. I am writing to urge you recommend the path along Lozano Lane to the Regnart Creek Trail remain accessible to pedestrians.

As a walker, cyclist, and a parent, I try to stay off busy roads whenever possible because it makes for a more enjoyable trip with the added benefit of being safer. Shortcuts like the Lozano Lane easement make it easier to walk during my daily activities by giving more route options that keep me off main roads. Closure of this path will force me onto Blaney and/or Rodrigues - both busy roads.

As a parent, I encourage other families to allow their children to walk or bike to school. Studies show that the most common concern of the parents is safety, specifically cars.

The city is spending millions of dollars to provide safer routes to school and drive to zero accidents in response to these concerns. As you know, many of the efforts include separating the bike lanes when possible or creating dedicated trails like the Regnart Creek Trail. In order to optimize the benefit to the community of this effort, it is critical to provide multiple options for entrance and exits from the trails to minimize the time our children spend on busy roadways prior to getting on safe routes.

As a citizen, I like it when I see my neighbors walking and cycling, it creates a sense of community. I would like to thank everyone in our city government for all the effort and budget put into making our city more pedestrian-friendly, such as creating separated bike lanes, redesigning intersections for pedestrians, and pedestrian trails. It would be a shame to reduce access to this excellent infrastructure by giving away the access / easements agreed upon by the Lozano Lane HOA as a condition for construction of the homes. Not to mention that other home owners might be encouraged to petition for removal of easements citing this precedent.

It is not apparent that sufficient consideration was given to the impacts of the proposal to close this access point. On the benefits side there are 8 HOA residents; on the impacts side there are hundreds of people living in the Biltmore Apartments and surrounding area that would be able to get onto the Regnart Creek Trail sooner. A pedestrian or student is more likely to be hurt if forced to stay on Rodriguez and or Blaney on the way to school or simply enjoying an evening walk. Furthermore, a survey in the Parks & Recreation Master Plan indicated that over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community. Reducing access to dedicated pedestrian

trails does not seem consistent with the wishes of our community.

Thank you for spending time to consider my perspective on this proposal.

Sincerely,

Dino Sakkas

Subject: FW: Access path to the Regnart Creek Trail along Lozano Lane

Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 7:36:17 AM

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Hi Kim, another one...



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Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 8:50 PM

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Subject: Access path to the Regnart Creek Trail along Lozano Lane

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Dear Bike/Ped Commission,

On June 15 there is an agenda item to consider closing the access path to the Regnart Creek Trail that is currently open along Lozano Lane. I ask that you vote to keep it open by voting NO.

As a senior in the community I do a lot of walking in the community for safe, level, low impact exercise. Covid-19 has brought out a lot of my contemporaries as other alternatives are much less safe. We really appreciate all places to walk where we can enjoy our surroundings instead of worrying about traffic. I implore you to keep this acce path open.

This access path has been used since the Lozano and DePalma condominiums were built almost 20 years ago. Every homeowner in the HOAs nearby signed an agreement when they purchased their homes stating there would a path in that location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. Elsewhere in Cupertino there are similar easements for paths in use that

run between homes—this isn't even a unique situation. Taking it out now is an unneeded and bad precedent.

The City Council has agreed in its master plans that Cupertino would encourage more connectivity in the city. Residents have overwhelmingly agreed with this, by speaking out in favor of the Regnart Creek Trail for the past six years, and consistently on every survey stating so. Making this change goes against those wishes and the city's stated goals.

This path does have a specific use, too, other than general connectivity. The hundreds of residents at Waterfall Condominiums and Biltmore Apartments can use the Lozano Lane path to get to Eaton Elementary much more safely and easily. or go to our Cupertino library. Closing this path makes the trail less useful to many. If a crosswalk turns out to be needed on Rodrigues, that can be added.

Thank you for considering the concerns of the many people that will use and enjoy this path —once the Regnart Creek Trail opens later this year—by voting NO on March 1.

Sincerely, Brock Carpenter

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman

Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 3:57 PM

To: Kim Lunt

Subject: FW: KEEP ACCESS, DO NOT VACATE THE LOZANO EASEMENT - Agenda Item #4 Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian

Walkway Easement Vacation -

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Dear Bike/Ped Chair and Commissioners,

I am writing to you today in opposition to vacating the Campo de Lozano Public pedestrian walkway easement. Cupertino needs to live up to our stated goals to support walkability and access in our City. The public has consistently voiced support for additional trail access opportunities within the City. I have observed this public support for access as a Commissioner on the Cupertino Parks and Recreation Commission since 2015. I am speaking for myself today, but I must note that my position on access has been solidified by what I have heard from Cupertino residents on multiple occasions as an active community participant, Block Leader and Commissioner.

As I'm sure you know, the Regnart Trail has recently received the Project of the Year award in its category by the American Public Works Association Silicon Valley. The City should be looking to enhance access to the Trail, not limit it.

I hope that, as a commission, you will convey to the Council the strong community opposition to vacating this access. Vacating the property would be short sighted, irreversible and contrary to city commitments to maintain and improve the walkability of our City.

Sincerely, Carol Stanek

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 4:54 PM Sent:

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Subject: FW: Campo De Lozano Pedestrian Walkway issue from people live there

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Dear Commission members,

This is about today's meeting agenda (4) Regnart Creek Trail / Campo De Lozano Pedestrian Walkway.

I live in Lozano Lane for more than a decade.

My main concerns are the public safety and liability for the walkway.

This walkway / easement is Pedestrian only. However I noticed recently there are lots of people riding bicycle on it. This is against the usage rule of the walkway and could create safety issues to the people walk on it, and liability issue. How city will enforce the rule? How city will be responsible for the liability?

There is nowhere mentioning walkway connect to the trail in the original easement agreement.

The easement can be there, i.e. no need vacation. Just don't connect the walkway to the trail as the original agreement.

Thanks, John