

From: Martin Delson

Sent: Sunday, February 23, 2020 10:18 PM

To: City Clerk

Cc: Davis, Dev

Subject: March 25, Agenda Item 8.1, Purchase and Sale Agreement for Property Located at East Alma Avenue and Senter Road.

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council,

I am writing to express my support for agenda item 8.1, *"Purchase and Sale Agreement with AV San Jose, LLC for Certain Real Property Located at East Alma Avenue and Senter Road"* because the property in question includes a segment of what will eventually become the eastern extension of the Three Creeks Trail, as identified in the City's Greenprint.

The Three Creeks Trail, when completed, will enable recreation use in an area currently poorly served by parks. It will also be valuable in helping the City meet its goals for reduction of vehicular traffic, since it provides an off-road link to Tamien Station with its Caltrain, light rail, and bus connections.

I urge you to not pass up the opportunity to acquire this property. While much of the land that will eventually be used for the trail extension remains in private hands, nevertheless, step by step, piece by piece, section by section, block by block, over time the City can assemble all the pieces needed to complete this vital link in the City's Trail Network.

Sincerely,

Martin Delson

February 23, 2020

The Honorable Sam Liccardo, Mayor of San José
and Members of the Council, City of San José
200 East Santa Clara Street, San José, CA 95113
via email

re: Support for Item 8.1 on Council Agenda for Feb. 25, 2020: "Acquisition of 1591 Senter Rd"

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am writing as an individual to express my support for Agenda Item 8.1: the City's purchase of a parcel formerly owned by the Union Pacific Railroad. As noted in the Staff Report, "From a real estate perspective, it is beneficial for the City to own the full property" in the area, rather than having this single property remain a privately-held "island" in the midst of the City-owned properties.

I am pleased that the Staff Report points out the plans for a recreational trail here. This is part of the future "Three Creeks Trail", which will connect to Kelley Park, Little Saigon, and the Five Wounds district eastward, and will connect to Tamien Station (via the Fwy-87 bikeway) and to Diridon Station (via the Los Gatos Creek Trail) when traveling westward.

I also note that this parcel is propitiously situated at the downstream edge of the large "Potential Drainage Area" identified in the City's "Green Storm-water Infrastructure" (GSI) plan. Perhaps as this parcel is developed, it can be configured to also serve as a GSI filtration site,

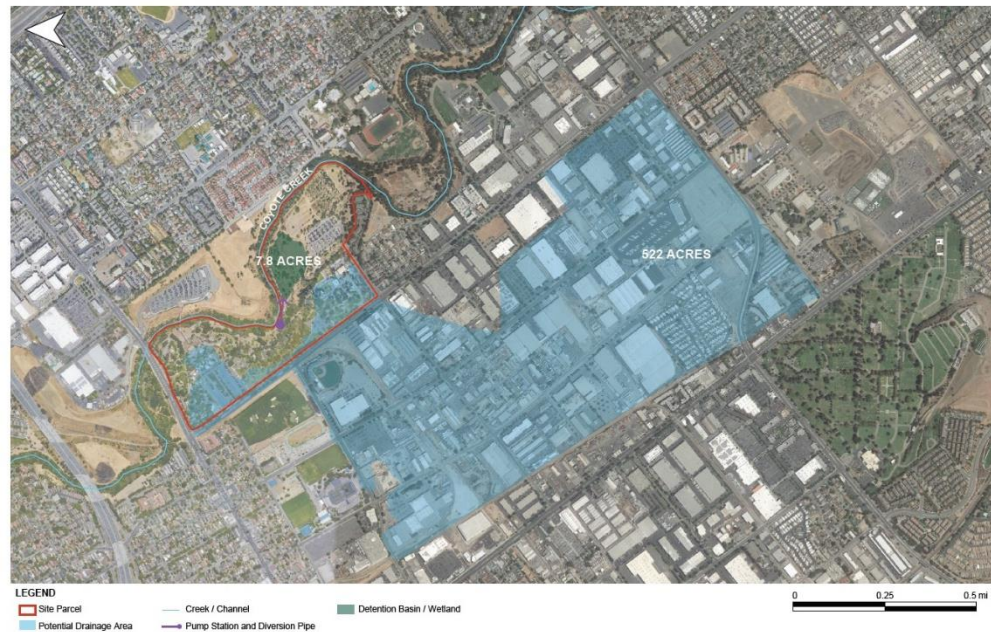
which would eliminate the need to take half of the nearby "disc-golf facility" as is currently planned.

I urge your approval. Thank you.

~Larry Ames, longtime park and trail advocate.

cc: City Clerk; PRNS (Jon Cicirelli); Parks & Rec Cmsn; Save Our Trails (Bill Rankin); SJ Parks Advocates (Jean Dresden); GSI

CONCEPT SITE DRAINAGE AREA



From: Bill Rankin

Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 11:07 AM

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Cc: City Clerk; Cicirelli, Jon; Zsutty, Yves

Subject: Proposed acquisition of 1591 Senter Road for trails



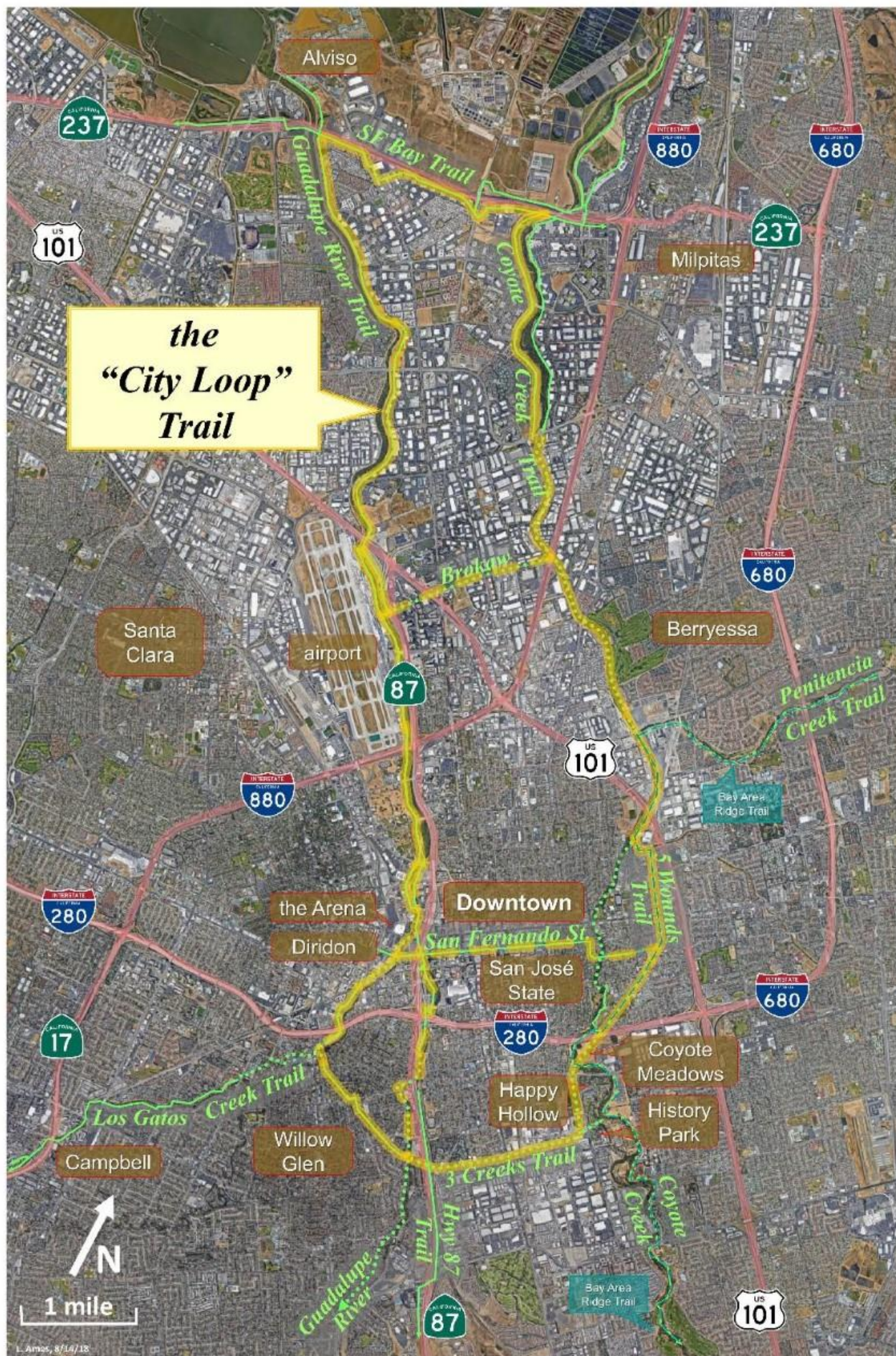
The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo
200 East Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor
San José, CA 95113

SUBJECT: Proposed acquisition of 1591 Senter Road for trails

February 24, 2020

Dear Mayor Liccardo, members of the City Council, and staff:

Save Our Trails: Connecting Santa Clara County Communities is a California Not-for-Profit Corporation whose mission is *"To promote trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all"* has noted that item 8.1 on the Feb. 25, 2020 council agenda deals with the proposed acquisition of 1591 Senter Road. This parcel includes a crucial link in the proposed eastern side of Three Creeks Trail, which in turn is a crucial link in developing a loop trail around the downtown core. Please see the attached map.



Building this additional segment to Three Creeks Trail (as well as building out Coyote Creek Trail and Five Wounds Trail through the area) is vital for increased opportunities for recreation and commuting, as well as promoting the appeal of visiting and living in San Jose and to "keep eyes on the trail" as a deterrent for people living along the trail and creek.

We urge you to approve this acquisition.

Sincerely,

Bill Rankin

President, **Save Our Trails**; Web: www.saveourtrails-scc.org

