

May 10, 2021

Mayor Liccardo and City Council City of San José 200 East Santa Clara Street San José, CA 95113

RE ITEM 3.7: Public Purpose Bonds Issued by a Joint Powers Authority for Moderate-Income Rental Housing.

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Honorable Members of the City Council:

We at the California Community Housing Agency (CalCHA) write in support of the memorandum authored by Councilmembers Mahan and Cohen. We are eager to continue the conversation with the City of San Jose in the hopes of providing immediate and desperately needed housing opportunities for San Jose's essential middle-income workforce. Thank you for your consideration.

As the first public agency focused exclusively on the production, preservation and protection of middle-income housing, CalCHA and its Essential Housing model has already created >2,900 affordable rent-restricted rental units. We utilize revenues generated from the sale of CalCHA-issued governmental revenue bonds to fully finance the acquisition and conversion of existing market-rate apartment communities to rent-restricted housing for households earning below 120% of area median income. This equates to housing for essential workers like nurses, teachers, first responders, librarians, and social workers — each of whom earn too much to qualify for traditional affordable housing programs, yet increasingly not enough to live within the communities they serve.

CalCHA's housing would not only immediately be made available to San Jose's essential middle-income workforce, but all financial upside of its local assets would be granted to the City of San Jose. This public benefits package stands to generate significant revenue for the City and provides the City with the ability to ensure these buildings are perpetually preserved as affordable housing. Additionally, the program does not require any subsidy from the City and does not redirect scarce resources away from programs that support housing for Very Low- and Low-Income households.

We would be eager to continue the conversation with all the appropriate stakeholders at the City of San Jose in order to address any lingering concerns and develop a partnership rooted in driving meaningful housing affordability for San Jose residents. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Craig Pedersen Chair California Community Housing Agency

City Clerk < Tue 5/11/2021 10:47 AM To: Agendadesk <

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From: malena.bischof > on behalf of Malena Bischof < malena. bischof Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 9:43 AM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Support Moderate Income Affordable Housing

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From: CHERYLCARDAMON

of Cheryl Cardmon < >

Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 9:49 AM

To: City Clerk < Subject: Support Moderate Income Affordable Housing

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Sincerely, Cheryl Cardmon 333 W San Carlos St San Jose, CA 95110-2726

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From: jaime.gonzalez > on behalf of Jaime Gonzalez Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 10:00 AM

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From: MMANCIAS2 > on behalf of Maria >

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 5:26 PM **To:** City Clerk <

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From: homesbytomas > on behalf of Tomas Gonzalez < Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 5:27 PM **To:** City Clerk < Subject: Support Moderate Income Affordable Housing

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City Clerk < Tue 5/11/2021 9:05 AM To: Agendadesk <

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From: realtorlanderos > on behalf of Alejandro Landeros <r

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 5:35 PM **To:** City Clerk <

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From: home > on behalf of Hassan Sabbagh
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 5:43 PM
To: City Clerk <

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Tue 5/11/2021 9:02 AM
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From: johngiorgianni on behalf of John

Giorgianni

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 6:07 PM
To: City Clerk <

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on behalf of W.HUNT From: geneshomes

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 6:36 PM To: City Clerk <

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From: gvaccaro

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 6:52 PM

To: City Clerk <

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Sincerely, **Grace Vaccaro**

City Clerk <
Tue 5/11/2021 8:58 AM
To: Agendadesk <

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From: jcho on behalf of Jennifer Cho on behalf of Jennifer Cho Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 7:36 PM

To: City Clerk <

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From: kelly > on behalf of Kelly Hunt

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 8:16 PM
To: City Clerk <

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From: helen on behalf of Helen Gardin

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 8:59 PM **To:** City Clerk <

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From: olivia < on behalf of Olibia Sahagun < >

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 9:21 PM **To:** City Clerk <

Subject: Support Moderate Income Affordable Housing

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Tue 5/11/2021 8:56 AM
To: Agendadesk <

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ANNE HANSEN	>	
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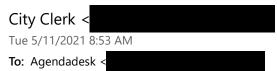
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From: sbellrealestate > on behalf of Staci Bell Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 8:05 AM To: City Clerk <

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Sincerely, Staci Bell

City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Tue 5/11/2021 11:28 AM

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From: jjordan > on behalf of Jeanette Jordan

Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 11:10 AM **To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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