

MEETING DATE: 04/02/2024

ITEM NO: 18 ADDENDUM

DATE: April 1, 2024

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Gabrielle Whelan, Town Attorney

SUBJECT: Discuss Potential Next Steps with Regard to the Referendum of Land Use and

Community Design Elements of 2040 General Plan and Provide Direction to

Staff

REMARKS:

Attachment 2 contains public comment received before 11:01 a.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024.

Attachment Previously Received with the Staff Report:

1. Referendum Summary

Attachment Received with this Addendum:

2. Public Comment received before 11:01 a.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024.

Reviewed by: Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Town Attorney, and Finance Director

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Sent: Monday, April 1, 2024 9:10 AM

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Subject: Comment on Item 18 of the Town Council's 4/2/2024 agenda

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

For inclusion in the Town Council packet for the April 2, 2024 TC meeting:

As one of the proponents of the Referendum, I read with interest the following in Item 18 of the 4/2/24 agenda under the topic of "Additional Options":

2) Meet with the Referendum Proponents

The Town Council could select 1) an ad hoc committee composed solely of members of the Town Council, 2) staff members, or 3) others to meet with the referendum proponents to discuss possible amendments to the adopted Land Use Element and Community Design Element of the 2040 General Plan and the potential for withdrawal of the referendum petition. The deadline to withdraw the ballot measure is August 9th.

I note that this option has been available since the Referendum was qualified by the citizens of Los Gatos a year and a half ago. We have never heard from anyone on staff nor Council, leaving us with the distinct impression that no one has been interested in such a discussion. Seeing it on the agenda was a reminder that this has been an option since the referendum qualified.

As always, we stand ready to engage in productive conversation with staff and Council on matters of critical importance to the Town.

Rick Van Hoesen