



San Mateo Labor Council

May 8, 2025

Dear Chair Faria and South San Francisco Planning Commissioners,

On behalf of the San Mateo County Central Labor Council, I am writing to express our support for the proposed updated Master Plan in South San Francisco.

As the San Mateo County organization of 103 affiliated unions representing over 95,000 hardworking members and their families, the San Mateo County Central Labor Council is committed to advancing policies that promote economic development, protect good union jobs, and support the long-term vitality of our communities. The update aligns with these goals by enabling strategic growth and reinvestment in South San Francisco's life sciences sector, one of our region's most critical economic engines.

We recognize that the proposed update involves the privatization of DNA Way — a public street that has long served as a thoroughfare in the east of 101 area. While we do not take any move to privatize public assets lightly, we also acknowledge this plan's unique context and importance. With careful consideration, we believe the rezoning can be accomplished to ensure continued access, public safety, and transparency while allowing for responsible and innovative development that will create high-quality union construction jobs, expand career opportunities, and increase the city's long-term tax base.

We urge the Planning Commission to proceed with the rezoning application while continuing to work closely with stakeholders to address community concerns, maintain public benefits, and ensure that South San Francisco remains a city where both businesses and working families can thrive.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of this critical matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie Lind".

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