



James A. Castaneda, AICP  
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County of San Mateo  
SFO Airport/Community Roundtable

February 3, 2016

Dear James,

On behalf of City Manager James Keene, I would like to thank you and the Roundtable for placing Item No. 9 (Consideration of the Amending the Roundtable's Memorandum of Understanding and Bylaws to Include the City of Palo Alto as a Voting Member) on the agenda of February 3, 2016.

The City is not in a position to comment on the item, as we were not notified in advance of the published agenda on January 28, 2016. On October 1, 2014, the Roundtable voted to not grant the City of Palo Alto membership. Circumstances have changed since then, and we continue to work through Congresswoman Eshoo's office to find a solution for Palo Alto and our region.

We remain committed to working with our neighboring cities impacted by air traffic noise. On February 8, 2016, our City Council will consider approval of a contract and budget amendment ordinance to hire a technical consultant to study the issue. We hope that shortly thereafter, a meeting can be scheduled with the Roundtable's technical consultants to advance the FAA Initiative of November 16, 2015.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the meeting this evening but would appreciate if you would read this letter into the public record under Item No. 9.

Sincerely,

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City Manager's Office

cc. Cliff Lentz, Chairperson, SFO Airport Community Roundtable Chairperson  
John Martin, Director, San Francisco International Airport Director

