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Joseph M. Hurley, P.E.
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Dear Mr. Hurley:

I am writing to request that the San Mateo County Transportation Authority Program (TA) consider funding the design and construction of an alternative location for the parking track related to the 25th Avenue Grade Separation Project.

The originally planned location for the parking track is between 10th and 14th Avenues, parallel to B Street, which is a residential area. From an operations perspective, this is an ideal location for Caltrain. However, this site's relocation to an area that is entirely residential has caused a tremendous amount of concern from the neighborhood about its impact on their quality of life. Through an extensive process of working with the neighborhood, several alternative sites for the parking track have been identified. The issue with the two sites most favorable to the neighborhood are the cost, estimated at \$13 million for the location between 25th Avenue and State Route 92 and \$11 million for the location between 5th and 9th Avenues.

With the current project budget of \$180 million expected to be fully expended, the City of San Mateo is requesting that the TA consider funding one of the alternative locations, preferably the one between 25th Avenue and State Route 92. In addition to this being the neighborhood's preferred alternative, this location may be a better long-term location for the parking track as the City intends to begin long-range planning of grade separations through our downtown corridor.

Staff is returning to the City Council with a request for final direction to Caltrain on the parking track on February 18th. If you could respond before then to our request, it would be greatly appreciated as it would help inform the City's Council's decision.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let me know if you have additional questions or if you'd like to discuss further.

Respectfully,

Drew Corbett,
City Manager