

LAND BUILDINGS & REAL ESTATE Land Use & Environmental Planning

November 1, 2019

Jacqueline Onciano
Director of Planning and Development
Department of Planning and Development
County of Santa Clara
70 W. Hedding Street, East Wing, 7th Floor
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Dear Ms. Onciano,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Leland Stanford Junior University (Stanford), I hereby withdraw Stanford's application dated November 21, 2016 for the 2018 General Use Permit, including all proposed County approvals specified by that application (Community Plan Amendments, Zoning Map Amendments, and the 2018 General Use Permit). I also hereby withdraw Stanford's application dated July 27, 2018 for a Development Agreement in connection with the 2018 General Use Permit.

In an effort to bridge differences, the university communicated to the Board of Supervisors this week its willingness to expand workforce housing to the same amount sought by the County Administration's proposed conditions of approval without seeking credits for housing currently under construction. However, Stanford still received no indication that a majority of the Board would pause action on the permit to create an accompanying development agreement – a common feature of land use approvals through which Stanford would provide benefits to neighboring communities in return for predictability around the long-term land use regulations it would be subject to. This predictability was a consistent principle for the university and essential for its planning.

We regret that it is necessary for Stanford to withdraw the permit application and we greatly appreciate the hard work of your office in reviewing it. We look forward to working together on future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Catherine Palter

Associate Vice President

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