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Subject: Vote YES on the Transit Oriented Communities Policy

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Dear Public Comment,

MTC Commission,

As BART Director who lives at Fruitvale Transit Village and has promoted housing and active transportation access throughout the BART system, I am writing to strongly urge you to vote YES on the Transit Oriented Communities Policy.

Compact growth at major transit hubs and safe routes to transit are the keys to a sustainable future. My experience has found that funding for affordable housing is the greatest barrier to achieve BART's bold goal of building 20,000 homes with 35% affordable.

Many of you also know me for my advocacy of the bicycle as a "last mile" solution for transit. The infrastructure for walking and biking also serves a growing e-bike and scooter mode segment. The Financial Times recently examined how e-bikes are already changing our cities. As a BART Director, my goal is for shared mobility providers to offer efficient alternatives to driving at all 50 BART Stations!

Thank you for your work to help the Bay Area grow in way that is both equitable and sustainable.

-Robert Raburn, PhD
BART Director - District 4

Sincerely,
Robert Raburn

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