April 29, 2022

The Honorable David E. Price,
Chair
Subcommittee on Transportation, and
Housing and Urban Development, and
Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart,
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, and
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House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Price and Ranking Member Diaz-Balart,

As you begin your critical work on the Fiscal Year 2023 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I strongly urge you to include $3,000,000 for the City of Mountain View to convert the Crestview Hotel to permanent supportive housing. This Community Project Funding request is associated with the Department of Housing and Urban Development account for Economic Development Initiatives.

The City is partnering with the Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing to convert the Crestview Hotel into permanent supportive housing for formerly unsheltered families and transition-aged youth. The requested funding will allow the City to rehabilitate the hotel, including the installation of kitchenettes, combing rooms to make them suitable for families, and creating community spaces and outdoor amenities such as a children’s play area or community garden.

While Mountain View has created a number of temporary and interim housing solutions to address our region’s housing crisis, the fifty new units of supportive housing supported by this project are essential to create pathways to permanent housing. This project supports the City’s efforts to create a spectrum of housing opportunities to meet a range of needs to insure an inclusive community.

As an indication of local support, I’ve enclosed letters of support from the Honorable Lucas Ramirez, Mayor of Mountain View and Mr. Ray Bramson, Chief Operating Officer, Destination: Home.
If enacted, this request would ensure much-needed housing for families experiencing homelessness, and it’s why I wholeheartedly support this Community Project Funding request and ask that you do so as well.

Most gratefully,

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Enclosures