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From the Planning Department's general mailbox:

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To: City of Cupertino Planning Dept. <planning@cupertino.org>
Subject: Re: Impact on police response time will increase, but how much? No impact estimated.

But before you rush to conclude "less than significant impact", please provide data. What is the current service level? What will be considered "significant impact"? What will be considered "less than significant impact"? Simply giving vague description without any quantifiable data is not sufficient for the EIR determination.

On Mon, Jul 9, 2018 at 3:19 PM, Liang-Fang Chao [REDACTED] > wrote:

The DEIR stated:

"The Sheriff's Office is currently meeting the above response time goals. Over the last several years, there has been **an increase in calls for service and an increase in traffic congestion, which have increased response times.**"

How much is the increase in calls for service and increase in traffic in the last few years? Quantified data should be provided in order to estimate the impact of adding 2400 to 4000 more housing units plus 2 million sqft office space to an already very congested area. Please Apple Park is NOT fully occupied yet.

The EIR should provide qualified estimated increase in calls and increase in response time due to increase in traffic congestion from the surrounding area plus the increase in congestion due to the Vallco project.

Plus, the increase in response time to all areas of Cupertino and within 5 miles of Vallco should be evaluated.

The EIR should not ONLY estimate the impacts to the future residents of Vallco. **The EIR is supposed to evaluate the impacts to existing residents and businesses and provide potential mitigation methods. That's missing.**

"The project (and project alternatives) would **increase the number of occupants and would likely result in an increase in police protection service calls** to the project site compared to existing conditions. Given the trend with **increased response times, the additional growth and traffic congestion from the project (or project alternatives) could add delays to existing response times.**"

=> The DEIR recognize that there will be increase, but there is no quantifiable data to estimate the impact or how to mitigate the impact. Therefore, the conclusion that there is

"less than significant impact" has no basis.

The estimated impact is based on "personal communication" with the Sheriff. For a project of such a magnitude, please obtain written communication from the Sheriff's office for transparency and accountability.

There needs to be specific data. At what level, the impact will become significant? How much delay would be considered significant? The DEIR recognizes that there will be increase in response time, but there is no estimate on how much increase. Then, there is simply no way the DEIR can conclude that the impact is "less than significant".

Thanks.

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