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Subject: Public comment 9/14/21 joint Planning Commission and Design Review Board

Dear Ms. Mendez,

Please distribute this public comment to the Planning Commission and the Design Review Board for their joint meeting tonight regarding Northgate Town Center development

Dear Planning Commissioners and Design Review Board members,

In Merlone Geier's current proposed Northgate Town Center to revitalize the Northgate Mall is in need of circulation enhancements to conform with the 2040 General Plan. The applicant notes on page 23 of the staff report item 4. Circulation, that "they are willing to examine stronger interconnectivity and bicycle and pedestrian routes". The current design does not.

The community requires the following to be included in the design in the 2025 version:

- * Safe bike and pedestrian paths around the entire Northgate area,
- * Extension of the North San Rafael Promenade through the project as well as to the nearby Smart station,
- * Transit center onsite for safe bus use,
- * Create a strong central hub and locations for bicycle parking and storage,
- * Provide well designed traffic flow for the already heavily used narrow streets surrounding the project.

Thank you for your consideration,

Pamela Reaves,
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