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Subject: Letter of Interest: ABAG Alternate Member

Honorable Members of the City Selection Committee,

I appreciate the opportunity to share my interest in serving as an alternate member of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). Prior to my election to the Mountain View City Council, I served on the Environmental Planning Commission for two years, participating in the development of significant land use planning documents including several precise plans. Since joining the City Council, I have worked with my colleagues to implement these plans in an effort to achieve our ambitious housing production goals. Our accomplishments include the entitlement of several thousand units of housing, including hundreds of affordable housing units for all types of residents - workforce, family, teacher/education personnel, and city employees.

Mountain View has also pursued innovative and aggressive solutions to address the complex, regional housing crisis. I am proud to have initiated an update to our conventional multifamily residential zoning district, R3, and to have joined my colleagues in supporting an update to our BMR/inclusionary program, selecting a development partner to construct an affordable housing project on City-owned land in our downtown, significantly increasing the number of safe parking spaces for vehicle dwellers, and partnering with LifeMoves on an extraordinary project to provide interim housing for over 100 homeless individuals funded through Project Homekey.

I believe that this experience in land use and housing policy will serve me well in engaging in regional conversations around planning and housing in the Bay Area. I would be honored to have your support.

Kind regards,
Lucas Ramirez
City of Mountain View