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December 9, 2005

San Jose City Council
c/o Lee Price, City Clerk
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Subject: Item 6.2 on Council's 12/13/05 Agenda: Prohibition of commercial vehicles on Vistapark Drive.

Honorable Mayor & City Council:

On behalf of our membership and neighbors, we urge your approval of staff's recommendation for a 24-hour, 7-day a week prohibition of commercial vehicles in excess of five tons on Vistapark Drive, between Capitol Expressway and Branham Lane.

This action was initiated on our request by DOT personnel who are aware of the noise, safety, and street maintenance problems posed by heavy commercial trucks using this residential street. We are grateful for the sensitivity and concern shown by DOT and by Councilmember Pyle, who participated in our discussions with staff. Staff and Councilmember Pyle attended our October general meeting at which VEP members voted their unanimous endorsement.

In approving this recommendation, we ask that you direct DOT to carefully monitor and correct any unintended consequences along Narvaez Avenue. Staff's recommendation aims to divert truck traffic from Vistapark Drive to Snell Avenue. As DOT and Councilmember Pyle are aware, it would be unacceptable to VEP if the problems we now face on Vistapark Drive were simply shifted to our neighbors on Narvaez Avenue. Moreover, Narvaez has been subject to pavement settling problems that would likely worsen with an increase in commercial trucking, aggravating maintenance and safety.

With thanks to the thoughtful assistance of DOT and Councilwoman Pyle in reaching this solution, we urge your approval of staff's recommendation for a truck ban on Vistapark Drive.

Thank you,

Jeri Arstingstall, President
(408) 281-1959

cc: Director Jim Helmer, DOT; Laura Wells, DOT Operations; Arlene Peterson, President, Rancho Narvaez Neighborhood Association.

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From: David Fadness [drfadness@earthlink.net]
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To: Nora Campos; Cindy Chavez; Dave Cortese; Judy Chirco; Ron Gonzales; Linda LeZotte; Nancy Pyle; Chuck Reed; Madison Nguyen; Forrest Williams; Ken Yeager; City Clerk
Cc: 'Arlene Peterson'; Helmer, Jim; Leland Wilcox; Wells, Laura
Subject: 12/13/05 Agenda Item 6.2
Importance: High

Mayor Gonzales and San Jose City Council:

Please find attached (and copied below) VEP's letter in support of DOT's recommendation to impose a ban on heavy trucks on Vistapark Drive.

We thank you in advance for your vote in favor of this recommendation.

Dave Fadness
(for Jeri Arstingstall, President)
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