



**CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO**  
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Alex D. McIntyre  
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City of Menlo Park  
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Re: Facebook Expansion DEIR and General Plan Land Use Update DEIR

Dear Alex:

I am writing to request the extension of the public comment period for 15 days for both the Facebook Expansion Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) and the General Plan Land Use Update DEIR. The City of East Palo Alto recognizes that both these projects are of critical importance to the City of Menlo Park. The combined changes proposed are significant, with 3.4 million square feet of new commercial space, 600 hotel rooms, and 4,500 new residential units. The combined changes reflect approximately a 30% increase in citywide housing units and a 40% increase in citywide office/R&D space. The magnitude of the changes, the fact that they all occur on the eastern side of Highway 101 along East Palo Alto's borders, and the release of both the documents at the same time warrant an additional 15 days for the review of the DEIRs.

Therefore, I respectfully request that the City of Menlo Park extend the Public Comment Period on the Facebook Expansion DEIR and the General Plan Update DEIR by 15 days, to July 25<sup>th</sup> and July 29<sup>th</sup>, respectively.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on these projects and plans and to continue to work collaboratively with our neighbors. If you have any questions you can call me anytime or contact Sean Charpentier, the Assistant City Manager, at (650)833-8946 or [scharpentier@cityofepa.org](mailto:scharpentier@cityofepa.org).

Sincerely,

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