



**Item # 19**  
**AGENDA DATE: 02/15/17**  
**SUPPLEMENTAL # 3**

February 15, 2017

Mayor Steve Tate  
**Morgan Hill City Council**  
City of Morgan Hill  
17555 Peak Avenue  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Re: February 15, 2017 City Council meeting Agenda item no. 19  
Hale Lumber, Depot St. Re-alignment and CCC Parking, Disposition and Development Agreement

Mayor Tate,

The Board of Directors of the Morgan Hill Downtown Association would like to recognize and support the opportunities presented by this Agenda item.

We have the unique opportunity to see the long desired re-alignment of Church Street with Depot Street that currently leads into a parking lot, residential housing at a density where it's most appropriate, and a more appropriate approach to our downtown at one of our gateway entrances with the relocation of a lumber yard.

This change will see a cost in City funding of the Depot Street re-alignment, inconvenience to nearby residents, and a change in how some community events will take place. Issues we do not take lightly but approach in a pragmatic manner as we feel this will be an overall benefit to the downtown.

This change will also provide the benefit of better traffic circulation in a downtown that will continue to see both business and residential growth, offer better access to promote downtown growth onto Depot Street and interconnecting streets to Monterey Road, and residential development that promises to offer live-in clientele for our businesses as well as provide the type of housing that appeals to both the young and elderly within walking access to the downtown.

We do not feel it can be overstated that this unique opportunity represents a solution to many wants of the community that may not be visited again in this manner for another generation if not supported now.

The Morgan Hill Downtown Association Board of Directors fully supports this project.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors  
**Morgan Hill Downtown Association**