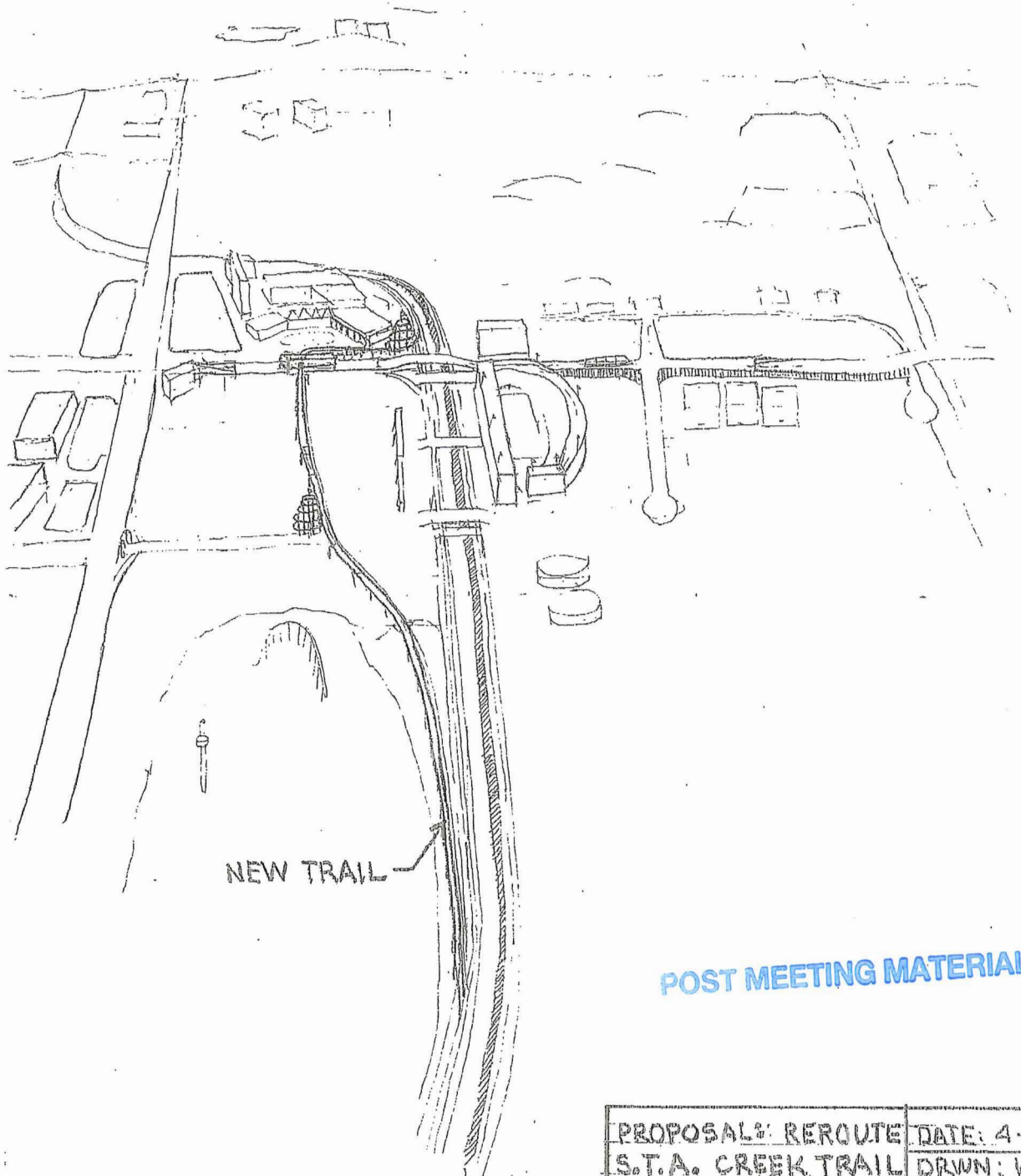


PROPOSAL
REROUTE SAN TOMAS AQUINO CREEK TRAIL
BY
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POST MEETING MATERIAL

PROPOSAL: REROUTE	DATE: 4-1-16
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Dear Santa Clara Valley Water District Board,

Please work with the City of Santa Clara and the Intel Corporation to allow the Freedom Bridge over the San Tomas Aquino Creek to remain in place. We recognize that you are concerned about flood risk, ADA compliance, and structural deficiencies. We would like to see the details behind these three points. That would include the report(s) or assessment(s) listing the reasons and evidence leading to these conclusions, and the manners and degrees in which the bridge is deficient.

Then, we can explore options of remedying the deficiencies in order to save the bridge. This bridge connects our San Tomas Aquino Creek Trail to Intel and other companies to the east. It is used by hundreds of people a day for commuting and lunch hour recreation, and it provides public access to their popular technology museum.

We have read the reply from Barbara Keegan to Diane Harrison and previous communications on this matter, but we feel that the details of the bridge's deficiencies and of the steps needed to bring it up to compliance are still absent.

To build a new bridge, instead of fixing the existing one, would not only cost more, but also would deprive the current bridge users of the facility for far longer.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Santa Clara City Council