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Good Morning,

Your email has been received in the Planning Division and by way of my reply the appropriate Planning Division staff have been included on this email thread.

Please note, your correspondence will be part of the public record on this item.

Thank you for taking the time to provide your comments.

Regards,

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**Project Address:** 2693 Toledo Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95051

**Meeting Body:** Development Review Hearing

**Meeting Date:** June 17, 2026

Agenda Item #8 – 26-606 – Public Hearing: Action on an Architectural Review (PLN25-00453)

I respectfully submit this comment in support of the above-referenced project based on its clear importance to the health, stability, and long-term needs of this family.

The property owners purchased this three-bedroom, two-bath single-family home at 2693 Toledo Avenue in 2013, when they were a young couple without children. They now have four children - ages 12, 10, and 4-year-old twins. As the family has grown, the existing home has become functionally inadequate. A six-bedroom layout is reasonably needed to provide one bedroom for each child, one for the parents, and one additional room for grandparents when overnight care or support is needed.

The owners are committed to remaining in Santa Clara and continuing to raise their family in this neighborhood. Yet they have not been able to find a comparable six-bedroom home locally that would meet their needs, and relocating would impose a substantial and unnecessary burden on the family. Under these circumstances, an addition to the existing home is the most practical and reasonable solution for this 5,338-square-foot lot.

Because of applicable lot coverage and setback requirements, a single-story six-bedroom addition is not feasible in Santa Clara for this lot, and an attached ADU with this size is not permitted. The proposed two-story addition is therefore a reasonable and necessary design response. Just as important, it would meet the family's needs without materially affecting neighboring views or access to daylight.

The proposed second-story addition is thoughtfully designed to address the family's actual living needs:

1. All four children would be located on the second floor.
2. Each child would have a separate bedroom, with shared bathroom access.
3. The bedrooms would be proportioned with similar square footage.
4. The second floor would include a family room and study/play area.
5. A second-floor laundry area would support the family's daily routine.
6. An additional first-floor bedroom would provide flexible space for a home office and overnight stays by grandparents.

In short, this proposal is a modest and sensible way to allow a growing family to remain in the community while meeting legitimate household needs. The design responds to site constraints, respects neighboring properties, and aligns with the staff recommendation. For these reasons, I respectfully urge the City to approve the project.

Comments respectfully submitted by:

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