From:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
To:	BOS-Supervisors
Cc:	Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Mchugh, Eileen (BOS); Somera, Alisa (BOS); Ng, Wilson (BOS); Laxamana, Junko (BOS);
	Major, Erica (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Please support the "last mile" parcel delivery moratorium
Date:	Tuesday, March 15, 2022 3:37:10 PM

From: cl <cleshne@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:21 PM

**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Major, Erica (BOS) <erica.major@sfgov.org>; Breed, Mayor London (MYR)

<mayorlondonbreed@sfgov.org>

Subject: Please support the "last mile" parcel delivery moratorium

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Dear Supervisors:

I am a resident of 888 7th Street, a building located directly across Berry Street the street from Amazon's proposed 650,000-square-foot distribution center. I live in a townhome on Berry Street and am deeply impacted by Berry Street activities. Recently, my neighbors and I were forced to breathe acrid fumes for months on end from construction/ parking lot painting at the adjoining One DeHaro project.

Since I moved here in 2008, our neighborhood has been designated an Air Pollution Exposure Zone with ventilation requirements that apparently were not in place when our building was built. As a BMR owner, I have very little choice or ability to move from this location.

As a union member, I know the struggles that Amazon workers have in organizing for worker rights. As a long time resident of San Francisco, I see the damage done to retail businesses by the use of Amazon delivery services.

I strongly support the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities. I believe that the City should carefully evaluate the impacts this proposed project will have on the neighborhood and the City overall.

Please VOTE YES in support of a moratorium on "last-mile" parcel delivery service facilities. Thank you,

Carla Leshne

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:38 AM

Dear Supervisor Stefani,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	ChanStaff (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:28 AM

Dear Supervisor Chan,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

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From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Preston, Dean (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:28 AM

Dear Supervisor Preston,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

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From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Mar, Gordon (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:38 AM

Dear Supervisor Mar,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Ronen, Hillary
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:38 AM

Dear Supervisor Ronen,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

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Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	MandelmanStaff, [BOS]
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:40 AM

Dear Supervisor Mandelman,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

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From:	Will Roscoe
To:	MelgarStaff (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:42 AM

Dear Supervisor Melgar,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:39 AM

Dear Supervisor Walton,

I'm writing in support of you proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities.

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Thank you for advancing this legislation!

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Haney, Matt (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:42 AM

Dear Supervisor Haney,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

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Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	<u>Safai, Ahsha (BOS)</u>
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:45 AM

Dear Supervisor Safai,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

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Thank you for your consideration.

From:	Will Roscoe
To:	Peskin, Aaron (BOS)
Subject:	Please Vote YES for the Last Mile Shipping Facility Moratorium
Date:	Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:05:43 AM

Dear Supervisor Peskin,

I'm writing to urge your support for the proposed moratorium on "last mile" shipping facilities proposed by President Walton.

I live at 888 7th St. in the Showplace Square area, which faces Berry Street and the site of the proposed Amazon warehouse facility. When I moved here ten years ago, I was encouraged by the city's long-term plans to create a walkable neighborhood with new housing and small businesses. Since then, hundreds of new housing units have been created. Our building includes 225 residential units, the majority of which are below market rate and home to working people, families, children, and seniors. The massive Amazon project will completely change the character of our neighborhood creating traffic congestion, safety issues, pollution, and low-paying jobs at a company hostile to worker rights. As it is, we already live with some of the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state from the nearby Caltrain station. The proposed moratorium will provide time to better assess these impacts and give neighbors like us the opportunity to make our voices heard. And if these impacts cannot be mitigated, then I hope this project will not be approved and a more suitable, neighborhood friendly use of this site can be developed.

Thank you for your consideration.

From:	David Meckel
To:	<u>Walton, Shamann (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Ronen, Hillary</u>
Cc:	ChanStaff (BOS); MandelmanStaff, [BOS]; MelgarStaff (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Major, Erica (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Breed, Mayor London (MYR); Hillis, Rich (CPC); Taupier, Anne (ECN); Kate Sofis (ECN)
Subject:	Supervisors File No. 220159 and 900 7th Street
Date:	Wednesday, February 23, 2022 11:44:36 AM
Attachments:	SupeLetter FileNo220159 022322 CCA.pdf

Dear Supervisors Walton, Preston and Ronen,

Please see the attached letter regarding the Interim Zoning Controls resolution that you are sponsoring. We support this resolution as a citywide initiative and also have some specific

observations about the 900 7th Street location that has brought this issue to the forefront.

I am available to discuss any questions you might have and would be happy to meet with you collectively or individually at your convenience.

Respectively,

David Meckel

## DAVID MECKEL

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CCA"s 2021 Commencement Address by Jony Ive

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https://www.fastcompany.com/90635970/how-a-college-sculpture-class-shaped-jony-ives-creative-vision

## CCO California College of the Arts

Supervisor Shamann Walton <u>Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Dean Preston <u>Dean.Preston@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Hillary Ronen <u>Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org</u>

Re: Proposed Amazon Distribution Center at 900 7<sup>th</sup> Street 23 Fe Board of Supervisors File No. 220159

23 February 2022

Dear Supervisors Walton, Preston and Ronen:

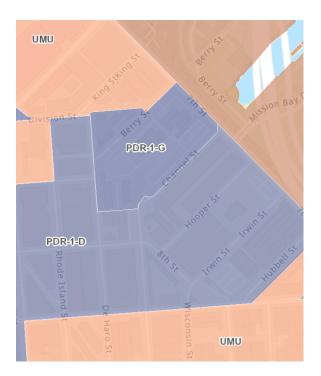
I want to thank you for recently introducing Interim Zoning Controls and Conditional Use Authorization for Parcel Delivery Service Uses and request that whatever citywide solution is adopted, not overlook the significant specific challenges with the 900 7<sup>th</sup> Street site.

As Director of Campus Planning at CCA for over three decades I've collaborated with and supported key city agencies and neighborhoods in shaping the changes that help improve our city. I write today to urge the City to adopt interim zoning to prevent the construction of a massive Amazon Distribution Center at 900 7<sup>th</sup> Street, while it studies zoning alternatives that are a better fit with the neighborhood and surrounding housing uses specifically.

I've regularly spoken at the Planning Commission and written letters in support of projects as varied as the DeYoung Museum's replacement and Parkmerced's housing densification. I've run design competitions for two of the largest new public open space projects in the city – the Presidio Tunnel Top Park and the India Basin Waterfront Park. And at CCA we not only hosted all the community workshops for the Eastern Neighborhood rezoning process, but we have also collaborated regularly with the Planning Department by running classes on topics such as open space and group housing case studies.

Not surprisingly, the neighborhood we know best and have spent the most effort on improving is the Showplace Square Design District where CCA is located and where the Amazon Distribution Facility is proposed to be built. This is a neighborhood that has gone through a massive transformation using the Eastern Neighborhood Plan as a terrific guide to blend in housing, better pedestrianized and traffic calmed streets, and creative incubators like the SF Design Center, ARCH, SF Made, fuse Project, BluDot, CCA, and Smuin Ballet's Practice Facility. The neighborhood is a model of how housing and low intensity light industry can coexist.

This parcel's zoning and use is now an island that is incompatible with everything around it, and an active impediment to the growing cluster of design, arts, and advanced manufacturing businesses that want to be in Showplace Square. With 873,000 square feet, Amazon's parking/trucking facility will be more than one-and-a-half times the size of the Transamerica Pyramid and its construction will prevent Showplace Square from becoming a complete, wellconnected neighborhood.



The facility will hold up to 200 trucks and 395 cars, which will make multiple trips during the course of a day. If the facility operates 24/7/365 as planned, that means 2800 vehicles a day will pass directly by 500 residents in our recently completed student housing at 188 Hooper and pass through a heavily used crosswalk which connects our housing with our student services center. On the north side facing the site are another 500 residents living in the 75% affordable 888 Seventh Street complex. In addition to this housing directly fronting the site, there are several other new developments with a significant number of units within 3 blocks of the site including One Henry Adams (239 units), Alta Potrero (172 units), Potrero 1010 (453 units), 88 Arkansas (127 units) and CCA's Blattner Hall (218 beds). A neighborhood with this much new housing just isn't the right place for a heavy trucking use.

That is particularly the case for this site, which can be accessed only by secondary streets. Many of these streets dead end into the site and divide the neighborhood, particularly for bikes and pedestrians. The streets Amazon plans to use for high volume truck traffic are relatively narrow, with unsignalized intersections, and existing businesses that need space for on-street loading. The Showplace Square Plan calls for major developments to create new alleys and streets to make the area more pedestrian friendly. Other new developments have done so. However, Amazon's trucking facility doesn't follow that precedent, as the site's legacy zoning does not require it.

Amazon's safety record further compounds our concerns for the safety of our students and others in the neighborhood. The company's high-pressure delivery quotas have been well documented by NBC <a href="https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/tech-news/inside-amazon-s-delivery-push-employees-drivers-say-overworked-system-n1087661">https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/tech-news/inside-amazon-s-delivery-push-employees-drivers-say-overworked-system-n1087661</a> and the Guardian

https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2021/mar/11/amazon-delivery-drivers-bathroom-breaksunions and a number of other respected news sources. Workers in Amazon's warehouses have a serious injury rate more than 80% higher than in other warehouses (https://www.cnbc.com/2021/06/01/studyamazon-workers-injured-at-higher-rates-than-rival-companies.html). Its drivers were more than three times as likely as UPS drivers to require time off work due to injuries, and reports of drivers being told to skip safety inspections or turn off safety monitoring devices are widespread.

(<u>https://www.cnbc.com/2021/07/30/amazon-dsps-tell-drivers-to-bypass-safety-inspections.html</u>). As a college with students that regularly walk and bike around the neighborhood, this safety record is a grave concern.

It has now been more than a decade since the Showplace Square Plan was approved, and its vision has largely been realized. It has remained a center for renowned design businesses and is an increasingly favored location for small-scale advanced manufacturers. CCA and others have built thousands of new homes, and the city has invested in open space, bike lanes, and better transit service. The six-acre Recology site is an opportunity to complete the Showplace Square Plan and knit together the neighborhood with new streets and buildings for housing or compatible industries that provide well-paying jobs.

Amazon's proposal will do none of those things. It will offer low-paying jobs without paying affordable fees, its facility will divide the neighborhood for the foreseeable future and put many highly pressured drivers onto narrow, unsignalized streets. Neighborhood stakeholders should not have to spend the next two years fighting a use that is self-evidently unsuitable, nor is mediating a prolonged dispute between Amazon and the neighborhood a good use of city resources.

It is time that the City's Planning Department complete the Showplace Square Plan by commencing a community process for rezoning the Recology site considering the surrounding housing, office, and light PDR uses. Until it has done so, the City should adopt the proposed interim zoning controls that prohibit parcel delivery and other intensive PDR uses that are no longer compatible with the neighborhood.

Respectfully,

Javil Meckel

David Meckel

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