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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda item 7-F 2022-2309
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Good afternoon Mayor Ashcraft and esteemed Council Members

I wanted to voice support in principle for Astra in their request for a long term lease of building 360. As a long time small business owner, I can attest to the stability such leases, if affordable, can bring to a company and the enduring benefits to the surrounding community.

However, there are two issues of concern that I think are worthy of discussion.

1. If Astra is granted this long term lease, will it take the pressure off of Sustainable Technologies? In the article here <https://therealdeal.com/sanfrancisco/2022/03/01/rocket-scientists-hit-speed-bump-in-plan-for-alameda-expansion/> it would appear that Astra wants to dislocate another long time Alameda small business that has been a part of the community for over twenty years. It does not seem unreasonable to ask Astra to coexist and share with their smaller neighbors.
2. I would like to understand at what threshold the PSA requirement outlined in clause 26.4 page 35 of the draft lease with Astra kicks in. What constitutes a “covered construction project”? It seems unduly onerous to require a tenant to look after a building while at the same time tying their hands to act timely on basics like electrical, plumbing, painting, and concrete work that can be performed by many local licensed contractors in and around Alameda. Encouraging use of local licensed contractors would seem to make sense if the goal is to keep properties in good shape while putting money back into the local community. Furthermore, many businesses have staff tasked with building maintenance to ensure ongoing safe and uninterrupted business operations. Would this clause essentially kill those skilled jobs? It’s a vague clause that could set a bad precedent for businesses of any size. Unless it’s heavy construction in the millions of dollars, the requirement seems a bit over reaching.

Thanks as always for your time, consideration, and service.

Best regards,

Liz

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The following email is from Jennifer Williams, President of the AUSD Board of Education:

Dear Mayor Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Vella, and City Council members:

I am writing tonight in regards to item 7 – F on the City Council agenda, the lease between the City of Alameda and Astra Space Operations, Inc. ("Astra").

Over the last year, Astra has been a strong partner with the Alameda Unified School District ("AUSD"). I am currently in the process of working with Astra to create a task force that will create an internship program for AUSD students, and expand curriculum opportunities in the area of STEM work for not only our high school students but our younger learners as well.

Last month, I had the opportunity to attend a presentation by Astra's current college internship attendees, showcasing the work they did over the summer at this amazing organization. College attendees participated from across the United States, and the work they did on space innovation was nothing short of amazing.

Astra is committed to engaging in this work right here in Alameda for our high school students who are interested in science, physics, and space exploration. This partnership, moving forward, will open doors for AUSD students in ways that have not occurred in our community. Astra's leadership has shown a commitment to our students and to our community that I am deeply grateful for, and feel honored to be a part of.

Please consider Astra's commitment to our students tonight when considering approval of this lease. I strongly support approval of this item, and look forward to an ongoing relationship with Astra as we all serve the best interests of our students.

Thank you for considering my input this evening.

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September 20, 2022

Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Vice Mayor Malia Vella
Councilmember Tony Daysog
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Councilmember John Knox White

RE: Support for Agenda Item 7-F – Negotiate and Execute Lease with Astra Space, Inc. for Building 360 at Alameda Point

Dear Members of the City Council:

Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda (CASA) is a community-wide coalition dedicated to raising awareness, mobilizing community action, and facilitating the implementation of the City's Climate Action and Resiliency Plan and more generally to increase community sustainability and well-being.

Members of our steering committee have toured the Astra site, as we are neighbors through our Resilience Hub project at the Alameda Maker Farm (adjacent to the Alameda Point Collaborative). Astra staff have also participated in our community events, such as the SF Bay Hope Spot monthly clean ups at the Sea Plane Lagoon.

We support the long-term lease of Building 360 to Astra for the following reasons:

1. Astra is a mission-driven organization dedicated to "improving life on earth from space." They assist organizations like [Planet](#) to provide satellite data that helps businesses, governments, researchers, and journalists understand the physical world and take action.
2. Their operation provides an excellent example of adaptive reuse. The buildings that they occupy were designed for building and testing Navy plane engines. The thick walls and sound-proofing are now perfect for testing their smaller rocket engines. The buildings and grounds are contaminated and Astra has committed resources to clean up the buildings and to support the Navy in remediating the soils.
3. Astra seeks to be a good neighbor and provide a variety of jobs in manufacturing, engineering and design. They support their employees in commuting by ferry, bus and bike.

We support Astra in making Alameda its long-term home.

Sincerely,

Ruth Abbe, Steering Committee
Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda

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Good Afternoon.....please find attached communication from GO-Biz in reference to Agenda Item #7-F, the Astra Space Lease Extension, on tonight's City Council agenda.

Thank you for your consideration.

Danna Stroud

(she/her)

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September 20, 2022

Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
City of Alameda
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Re: Astra Space, Inc. Lease Extension – City Council Meeting Item 7-F, September 20, 2022

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Honorable Mayor Ashcraft: ☐

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On behalf of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz), I write to share additional insight into the role Astra Space, Inc. (Astra) plays within the California aerospace, commercial space and advanced manufacturing ecosystem as the Alameda City Council considers extending Astra's lease at Alameda Point at the upcoming September 20, 2022 council meeting.

California is home to nearly one-third of all American space tech companies that have received more than 85% of the total venture-based capital invested in U.S. space-related companies this year. And to further perpetuate this growing industry sector, Governor Gavin Newsom recently announced the formation of a new Space Industry Task Force, under the direction of GO-Biz, that will work to attract and catalyze new businesses while also helping to support and expand existing aerospace and commercial space companies in California.

Astra was recently awarded a \$25 million tax credit through the state's CalCompetes program to expand its skilled workforce by over 600 full-time employees and invest \$300M to increase their manufacturing and research & development capabilities at their facilities in Alameda. They are contributing to California's role as the global leader in the aerospace, defense and space technologies sectors that currently generates more than \$66 billion in annual economic activity and billions in state and local taxes.

GO-Biz continues to assist Astra in navigating state incentive programs and will continue to work with them to explore future expansion opportunities in California. Astra continues to be a valued and innovative member of California's commercial space industry, and we believe they will continue to make valuable contributions to the sector, community and workforce driving our economy. As GO-Biz Director Dee Dee Myers stated in June of 2022, "Companies like Astra and Relativity represent the best of California's innovation economy. In addition to these two awards, we look forward to supporting regional economic development initiatives across the state that are community-led and with a focus on space."



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As the state continues to invest in our talent, our innovative companies, and our communities, we are encouraged by opportunities like this, which will enable companies like Astra to continue building on their past successes, enabling a workforce of the future and fostering additional opportunities.

We would like to thank you for your consideration of the lease extension and we look forward to working with your team to support Astra's growth at Alameda Point.

Sincerely,

E. Kaina Pereira
Senior Advisor, Business Development
Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz)

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Sarah Henry, Communications and Legislative Affairs, City of Alameda
Lois Butler, Economic Development Manager, City of Alameda
Danielle Gomes, Director of Real Estate Development, Astra Space, Inc.

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Dear Mayor and City Council:

As an Alameda native, with 3 children in school right down the street from Astra, it is a huge advantage to have Astra at the base! Not only is it an enjoyable and fun work environment, but the location also allows me to pick up my children from school as needed, reduces my commute time (and carbon footprint), and allows me a flexible schedule so I can work from The Local, The Beanery, or Julie's Teas. Astra supports local businesses by going for team lunches and happy hours, catering with local bakers and caterers, and generally bringing awareness of the many amazing businesses in Alameda. If Astra were not permitted to stay at the point I could be forced to find another job to maintain a close proximity to my children, which would be devastating for my family.

I fully support Astra's continued growth and long term occupancy in Alameda. As a CalCompetes awardee, Astra has been established by the state as a key employer providing quality jobs in the manufacturing and technology sectors. Astra has demonstrated its commitment to fostering a safe environment and has directly addressed questions and concerns related to public safety. They have actively engaged in the community, initiated collaborations with local educators to create STEAM curriculum from elementary through college, and formed alliances with organizations to source and hire local Alameda residents and diverse groups such as veterans and persons of color. As a publicly-traded company, Astra brings the financial strength, demonstrated product capability, and growing pipeline that will also attract more creative, innovative businesses to the Point, which is aligned with the long term objective of job creation and development in the Enterprise District.

Please vote YES To approve the long-term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

Best,

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Madam Mayor and City Council,

Please find Langan's attached letter outlining our technical observations and opinions on the environmental mitigation and monitoring measures completed and continuing by Astra Space Operations, Inc. (Astra) for their commercial use of Building 360 located at Alameda Point. We urge you to vote yes on agenda item 7-F in support of Astra's multi-year lease for Building 360.

Thank you,

Dorinda Shipman, PG, CHG (she/her)
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**Re: Astra Space Mitigation and Monitoring Measures
Building 360
Alameda Point, Alameda, California**

Dear Madam Mayor and City Council:

Langan Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc. (Langan) is providing this letter to the City of Alameda to document our technical observations and opinions¹ on the environmental mitigation and monitoring measures completed and continuing by Astra Space Operations, Inc. (Astra) for their commercial use of Building 360 located at Alameda Point. Langan has been retained by Astra since June 2018 to support their mitigation and reuse of Building 360. Astra is leasing additional buildings in the vicinity.

Langan has been providing integrated engineering and environmental consulting services for over 50 years and specifically in the Bay Area (as both Langan and Treadwell & Rollo, Inc.) for over 30 years. The Langan team includes state registered professional engineers and geologists and certified hydrogeologists with expertise in soil vapor mitigation and groundwater cleanup. Langan has been providing environmental engineering support to the Alameda Point Site A redevelopment project since 2014. Personally, I have over 30 years of experience in environmental consulting and have been leading military base redevelopment teams for over 20 years building on previous experience as a consultant.

In 2018, Astra started the environmental assessment and mitigation required to lease a portion of the approximately 180,000 square-foot Building 360 from the City of Alameda. In 2021, Astra expanded environmental efforts in order to lease the entirety of the building. Building 360 is located in a portion of Alameda Point that has not yet transferred to the City and remains U.S. Department of the Navy (Navy) property. Building 360 formerly served as an aircraft engine facility, and historical activities within the building have reportedly included painting, blasting,

¹ It should be noted that Langan's assessments are based on professional services performed by Langan in addition to information provided by others. Our opinions are therefore contingent on the completeness and accuracy of data and information provided by others and could change as new information becomes available.

degreasing, solvent cleaning, and plating of aircraft parts². Building 360 is located over a portion of a groundwater plume that contains volatile organic compounds (VOCs) which may volatilize into soil gas and can intrude into building spaces. The Navy is in the process of cleaning up the groundwater to remove VOCs.

Prior to leasing the building, Astra installed a vapor mitigation system (VMS) to comply with applicable land use restrictions. The VMS consists of an engineered slab sealant designed to be impervious to VOCs in soil gas/vapors potentially beneath the building slab, that required sealing cracks that may be present in the concrete floor prior to application. The VMS design for Building 360 was presented in the *Building 360 Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Design Plan*³ which was submitted to, commented on, and approved by the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) signatories. The FFA signatories include the Navy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. The plan also presented the required sub-slab soil gas and indoor air sampling plan and operation and maintenance (O&M) plan required to support VMS system operation and continued building occupancy.

Astra initially occupied the southern portion of Building 360 through installation of the VMS and erection of a barrier wall to create a work space mitigated against vapor intrusion. Astra partnered with the City and FFA signatories to develop a health protective and approvable VMS design. The project team considered regulatory agency comments and resolved issues through virtual and on-site meetings prior to completing the VMS installation and pre-occupancy monitoring. On June 7, 2019, the southern portion of Building 360 was approved by the FFA signatories for occupancy. VMS monitoring for the southern portion of the building includes quarterly ambient and indoor air, sub-slab and soil gas sampling for VOCs and methane and continuous indoor air monitoring for trichloroethene (TCE).

Astra expanded into the northern portion of Building 360 upon receipt of FFA signatory approval on March 11, 2022. Astra followed a similar approach to developing an expanded VMS design and installation methods presented in a *Building 360 Amended Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Design Plan*⁴ submitted to the FFA signatories. In addition, prior to beginning shell condition improvement work within the northern portion of Building 360, a review of existing indoor air data was conducted. Although existing indoor air concentrations were protective of temporary worker health, Astra implemented an interim mitigation and monitoring program during shell condition improvements and installation of the VMS. This program included continuous air monitoring for total VOCs, TCE, and methane and reporting a weekly summary of air monitoring results and response actions, if applicable, to the FFA signatories. It is our opinion that Astra's

² SulTech (Sullivan Consulting Group and Tetra Tech EM, Inc.), 2005. *Final Remediation Investigation Report, Sites 3, 4, 11, and 21, Operable Unit 2B (OU-2B), Alameda Point, Alameda, California*. 18 July.

³ Langan, 2019. *Revised Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Design Plan, Building 360 – Alameda Point, Skyhawk Street, Alameda, California*. August 16.

⁴ Langan, 2021. *Amended Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Design Plan, Building 360 – Alameda Point, Skyhawk Street, Alameda, California*. 22 November.

continued monitoring of the indoor air during shell improvements and VMS installation to protect the health of contractors and visitors exceed typical requirements.

Throughout this process, Astra has also continued regular monitoring of the occupied southern portion of Building 360 and expanded the monitoring to the northern portion of Building 360 for employee and visitor health protection. Astra's efforts have succeeded in improving the Building 360 interior and exterior conditions transforming Building 360 from an unused, dilapidated shell to a vibrant work space with the health of building occupants considered during each step of the process, including continued monitoring of the indoor air. The specific actions that Astra Space has conducted and will continue to perform include:

- Hazardous materials abatement (asbestos and lead-based paint) and demolition
- Containerization and sampling of generated wastes, including voluntary containerization and sampling of concrete dust generated during building slab preparation activities
- Air monitoring for protection of construction workers and building occupants
 - Continuous air monitoring for total VOCs, TCE, and methane during shell condition improvements to protect workers
 - Daily air monitoring for TCE within the occupied space
 - In Langan's professional experience this monitoring frequency is highly atypical and conservatively protects the health of sensitive or vulnerable populations
 - Quarterly air and soil gas monitoring for VOCs since May 2019 to confirm continued protection of building occupants including up to 42 air and eight soil gas locations
- Increased worker protection during potential dust generating activities, including donning of Tyvek suits and half-face respirators
- Vapor intrusion mitigation including
 - Installation of a vapor barrier coating (Retro-Coat) designed to inhibit vapor migration into the building and protect building occupants and the voluntary addition of a second membrane (Drago Wrap) at pits or vaults prior to infill
 - Sealing of crawl space access from within Building 360
- Coordination with DTSC, USEPA, RWQCB, City of Alameda, and the Navy during each step of building rehabilitation and occupancy, including compliance with the City's Site Management Plan (SMP).

By completing these building improvements and mitigation measures, it is our opinion that Astra has improved and continues to improve the building interiors to protect human health with air monitoring as a confirmation measure, as such we strongly suggest you vote YES to item 7-F on the September 20th 2022, City Council Meeting Agenda. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at (415) 955-5262.

Sincerely,

Langan Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc.



Dorinda Shipman, PG, CHG
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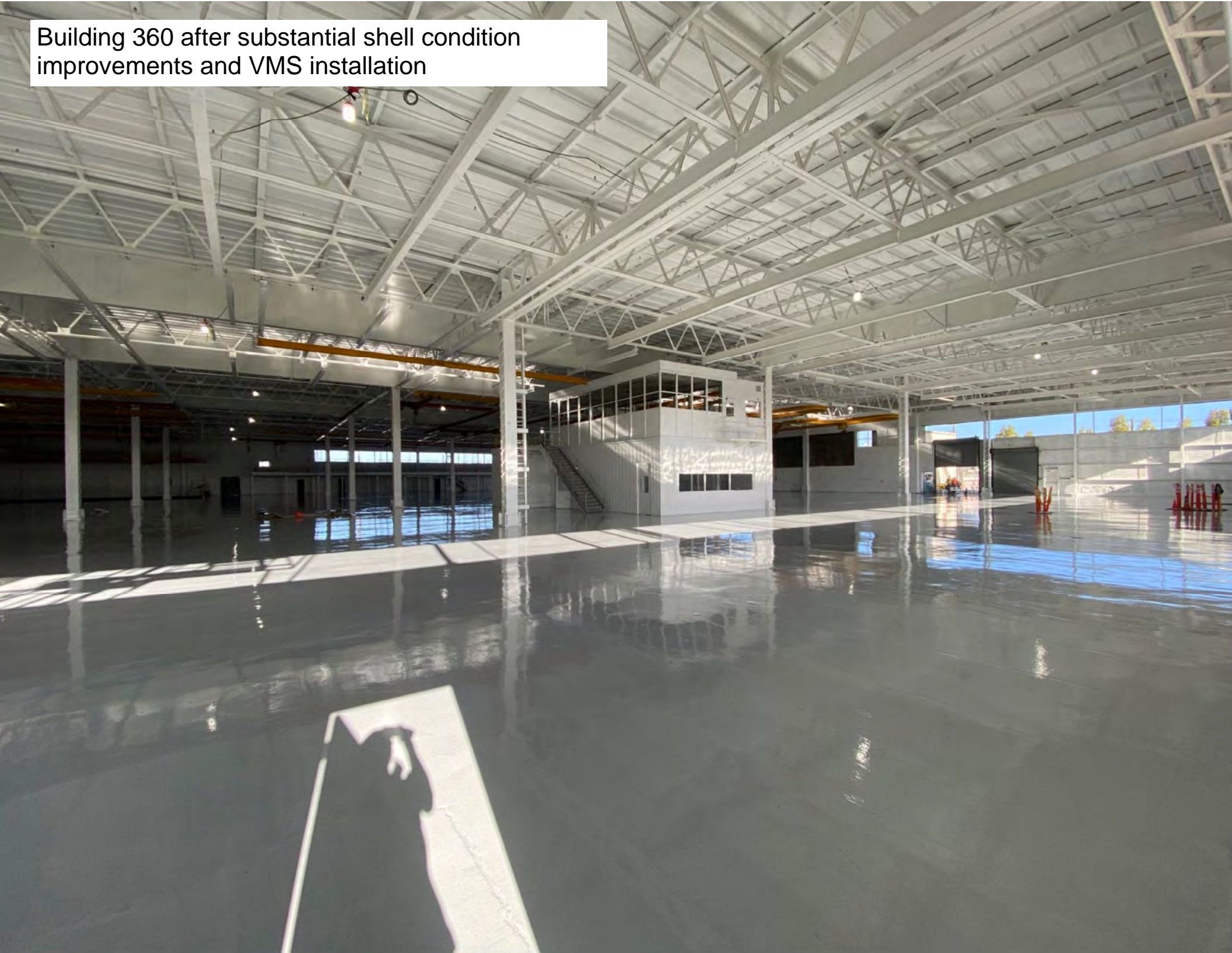
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Building 360 prior to shell condition improvements and VMS installation



Building 360 after substantial shell condition improvements and VMS installation



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September 20, 2022

Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Vella, Council Members: Daysog, Herrera Spencer, Knox White

Re: Agenda Item 7-F 2022-2309

The businesses located at Alameda Point, specifically Astra, have been an economic boost for Webster Street and Alameda Landing, both within West Alameda Business Association's business improvement district.

On behalf of the WABA Board of Director's, we support Astra's application for a long-term lease at Alameda Point. Astra fits the profile for the City's long-term objectives of job creation and development in the Enterprise District.

If WABA can be of any assistance, please let me know. Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request to approve Astra's lease application. ***Linda***

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Dear Mayor and City Council:

I fully support Astra's continued growth and long term occupancy in Alameda. As a CalCompetes awardee, Astra has been established by the state as a key employer providing quality jobs in the manufacturing and technology sectors. Astra has demonstrated its commitment to fostering a safe environment and has directly addressed questions and concerns related to public safety. They have actively engaged in the community, initiated collaborations with local educators to create STEAM curriculum from elementary through college, and formed alliances with organizations to source and hire local Alameda residents and diverse groups such as veterans and persons of color. As a publicly-traded company, Astra brings the financial strength, demonstrated product capability, and growing pipeline that will also attract more creative, innovative businesses to the Point, which is aligned with the long term objective of job creation and development in the Enterprise District.

Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.">Link text



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Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of the Bay Area Council and our over 300 members, please find the attached letter from President and CEO, Jim Wunderman, urging support for approving the long-term leases at Alameda Point. With the expectation of employment growth and product diversification, keeping Astra in Alameda will be a great success for Alameda and the Bay Area broadly as we build back from the pandemic and evaluate how best to keep businesses in the region.

Please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions.

Best,

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September 20, 2022

Alameda City Council
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SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL

Dear Honorable Members of the Alameda City Council-

On behalf of the Bay Area Council and our over 300 members, I write to urge you to approve Astra Space Operations, Inc.'s ("Astra") long-term lease at Alameda Point. The Bay Area Council is an employer sponsored public policy and advocacy organization dedicated to solving our region's most challenging issues and improving the quality of life for everyone who calls this region home.

As you are likely aware, the Bay Area Council's Economic Institute conducted an analysis of Astra's economic impact. The company now employs approximately 300 individuals, up from approximately 100 in 2020, making the city home to one of the fastest growing companies involved in the space economy. In addition to the economic activity taking place within Astra's walls—i.e., wages paid to employees, materials and services purchased, and sales made to customers—the company also produces positive economic effects for the city broadly. With the expectation of employment growth and product diversification, Astra's current investments at Alameda Point need to be preserved through long-term lease security.

Factoring in only its own operations, Astra produces total economic output of \$129.7 million and a \$58.0 million positive contribution to gross domestic product for the City of Alameda. For comparison, the City of Alameda's total gross domestic product contribution in 2019 was \$5.8 billion. For every 50 workers employed at Astra that are Alameda residents, an additional 8.1 jobs are supported in the city annually.

In addition to the economic impact, Astra has proven to be a positive part of the Alameda community. A company like Astra needs long term commitment to continue making financial investments into people and infrastructure. As a manufacturer and spacetechnology company, Astra's business is good for the state,

where other similar companies are fleeing to more business and tax-friendly states.

For these reasons, we strongly urge your support of renewing Astra's long-term lease at Alameda Point.

Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Jim Wunderman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jim" and last name "Wunderman" clearly legible.

Jim Wunderman
CEO, Bay Area Council

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] KEEP ASTRA IN ALAMEDA - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 10:53:23 AM

I write in support of the Astra renewal. Astra is about as good an industry as any city could hope to domicile.

Thank you.

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From: [Vicki Sedlack](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] KEEP ASTRA IN ALAMEDA - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 10:37:50 AM

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Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you,

Vicki Sedlack
vsedlack@gmail.com

From: [Trish Spencer](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please keep Astra in Alameda.
Date: Monday, September 19, 2022 10:08:44 PM

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From: Katie Clark <katieclark@gmail.com>

Date: Sep 19, 2022 8:36 PM

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please keep Astra in Alameda.

To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>, Malia Vella <MVella@alamedaca.gov>, Tony Daysog <TDaysog@alamedaca.gov>, Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>, John Knox White <JknoxWhite@alamedaca.gov>

Cc: Nanette Mocanu <NMocanu@alamedaca.gov>, Lisa Maxwell <LMaxwell@alamedaca.gov>, Nancy Bronstein <nbronstein@alamedaca.gov>

Dear Mayor and City Council,

My name is Katie Clark and I am writing to fully support Astra's continued growth and long term occupancy in Alameda. I started working for Astra after more than 20 years of working in San Francisco and Palo Alto, and I always thought I'd have to return to my home in Cocoa Beach/Cape Canaveral, Florida if I wanted to actively work in the Space industry. I never imagined I could be lucky enough to not only stay in the Bay Area to pursue this dream, but that my commute to work would involve riding a bike to the San Francisco Ferry Building and then commuting by ferry through the Bay to Alameda. (How amazing, right?!)

Before working for Astra, I had visited Alameda a handful of times for the Antiques Faire. Now I'm here almost every day of the week, and as a member of the Astra community, I have fallen in love with this island city and the people here. From volunteering with the Alameda Boys and Girls Club, to spending more weekends than I can count hosting events on behalf of Astra on the USS Hornet, to buying most of my gifts these days at All Good Living, I very much feel like this is my second home now. I continue to sing the praises of Alameda to all of my Inner Richmond neighbors and I am their official go-to for restaurant & brewery recommendations and events on the island. :)

I've watched our Skyhawk and Orion spaces transform into state-of-the-art factory and test facilities and I could not be prouder of that restoration. What's more, as someone who grew up in a military family, it feels beyond special to work on a former Naval base (and my dad, Colonel Clark, thinks it's pretty amazing too!).

I cannot imagine Alameda Point without Astra, and I hope you cannot either. Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you,
Katie Clark

From: [Marcel Sengul](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Monday, September 19, 2022 7:46:42 AM

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Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

From: [Madlen Saddik](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#); [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Becca Perata](#); [Kelly Lux](#); [Dani Gomes](#); [Anna Chan](#); [Chris C. Kemp](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Astra Support letter for tomorrow's council meeting
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Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

We are in support of agenda item 7-F; please see attached letter.

Connecting Business and Community,



Madlen Saddik

President & CEO

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*"The best way to find yourself is to lose
yourself in the service of others."*



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Dear Mayor Marilyn Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Malia Vella, Councilmember Trish Herrera Spencer, Councilmember John Knox White, Councilmember Tony Daysog, and City Clerk Lara Weisiger,

On behalf of the Alameda Chamber and Economic Alliance, we would like to go on record as being in support of the company Astra Space Operations, Inc. regarding Item 7-F: Astra's lease for the property located at 1900 Skyhawk Street (B360). Which is being presented during the City Council meeting on September 20, 2022.

We are the President and CEO, Madlen Saddik, and the Board of Directors Chair, Kelly Lux, of the Alameda Chamber & Economic Alliance is a voice for the business community of Alameda. As representatives of the Alameda business community, we are very supportive of providing the security a long-term lease provides any growing and successful organization at Alameda Point. Astra's continued operation in Alameda is necessary for city-wide continued growth and ability to provide and create jobs in this city.

The needs and wants of the public are a driving force for Astra, and the Alameda Chamber implores City Council to support keeping Astra in Alameda by approving this lease. The Chamber believes it will significantly benefit our entire community. In a January 2022 published report, the Bay Area Council identified Astra's current contribution to the city as \$58M annually, or 1% of the city's total GDP. In addition to invaluable GDP contribution, Astra has grown its employee base to well over 400, with 300% growth observed in the last year alone; approximately 20% of those employees are Alameda residents. Per the same report, for every 50 workers employed at Astra that are Alameda residents, an additional 8.1 jobs are supported in the city annually.

Astra has expanded its presence at Alameda Point from 17,000 sq. ft to over 225,000 sq. ft since it took tenancy at Alameda Point in 2017, which is a massive display of growth and a clear indicator of success and stability in Alameda. Astra has become a crucial part of the community, from donations to Alameda Education Foundation, participation in the Alameda Fire Department's annual toy drive, organizing community clean-up efforts, and engaging with local education associates to support STEM development. The Mayor has enhanced such community support. He helped welcome guests at Astra's inaugural Spacetech day, which reached more than 1,300 influencers, investors, media personnel, partners and customers of Astra, which displays Astra's commitment to Alameda.

Astra is an asset to the city and Alameda Point. It fits in with the city's vision for Base Reuse, creating a flourishing community where Alamedans can live, work and play, and supports the city's goal of bringing 9,000 jobs to Alameda Point.

It should also be noted that in July of this year, the Chamber supported Astra's position to expand their presence at Alameda Point to Buildings 11 and 19, which Astra had to withdraw from their proposals due to a conflict in timing between potential leasing of the buildings and contractual obligations to maintain project timelines. As a result, Astra has since executed a lease at another building in Sunnyvale, CA. This is a considerable loss to Alameda, our businesses and our community. We strongly recommend Alameda's City Council recognize the importance of expediting essential decisions, such as this lease, to ensure businesses can continue to succeed and thrive in our community.

For the reasons stated above, the Alameda Chamber and Economic Alliance would like to implore Alameda's City Council to vote YES on item 7F, to keep Astra in Alameda and no longer delay this vital issue.

Yours in Commerce,

Madlen Saddik

Madlen Saddik
CEO/President

From: [Lauren Gularte](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
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Dear Mayor and City Council:

Please see attached letter from WETA in support of keeping Astra in Alameda. We hope that the City Council will approve Astra's long term lease at the September 20 meeting.

Thank you

 Lauren

Lauren Gularte
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September 16, 2022

Alameda City Council
City of Alameda
2263 Santa Clara Ave.
Alameda, CA 94501
Via email

Re: Public hearing to consider Astra Space Operations, Inc. lease at 1900 Skyhawk Street – September 20th
Agenda Item 7F

Dear Alameda City Council:

The San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) is a regional public transit agency tasked with operating and expanding ferry service on the San Francisco Bay and with coordinating the water transit response to regional emergencies. WETA carries over three million passengers annually utilizing a fleet of 15 high speed passenger-only ferry vessels. San Francisco Bay Ferry currently serves the cities of Alameda, Oakland, Richmond, San Francisco, South San Francisco and Vallejo, with its emergency response and maintenance facility and three terminals in Alameda, including the new Seaplane Lagoon terminal at Alameda Point.

WETA is committed to working with cities, communities and stakeholders to establish new ferry routes where the proposed route reduces traffic congestion in the transit corridor, is cost effective and financially viable. We value Astra as a key stakeholder and WETA neighbor, with a diverse workforce of more than 400 employees in Alameda, many commuting from San Francisco via the SF Bay Ferry!

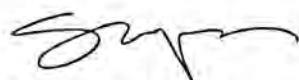
We are encouraged that the company's headquarters is served by adequate transportation and service facilities, including pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities. During a visit to Astra, they shared with us their strategy to be as sustainable as possible, including encouraging public transit use by subsidizing employees' use of Clipper Cards. Astra's request for a long-term lease to secure their occupancy at Alameda Point is located within two blocks of AC Transit and an SF Bay Ferry terminal.

Additionally, the space company's creative re-use and upcycling of old Naval buildings at the Point is compatible with surrounding uses and supports employment and job creation to replace the jobs lost by the departure of the US Navy from Alameda in 1996.

WETA encourages your support of Astra's long term occupancy at Alameda Point and voting yes to approve ratification of the Lease.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Seamus Murphy
Executive Director

From: [Robert Spiegel](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] CMTA Letter of Support - Astra Long-Term Lease Agreement (Item 7-F)
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Good morning,

On behalf of the California Manufacturers & Technology Association (CMTA) we are submitting a letter of support for Astra's Long-Term Lease Agreement (Agenda Item 7-F of the September 20, 2022 City Council Agenda).

We appreciate the opportunity to provide these public comments and respectfully request the support of the City Council on the agenda item.

Should you have any questions relating to the attached letter of support, please do not hesitate to contact me at the information provided below.

Respectfully,

Rob Spiegel



Robert Spiegel
Senior Policy Director

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September 16, 2022

The Honorable Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Mayor, City of Alameda
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Astra Space, Inc. Long-Term Lease Agreement (Item 7-F)

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and Honorable Councilmembers:

The California Manufacturers & Technology Association (CMTA) is writing to respectfully request the City of Alameda to support the approval of the Astra Space, Inc. Long Term Lease Agreement, which will be considered during the September 20th meeting of the Alameda City Council.

CMTA represents over 400 businesses (not including Astra Space, Inc.) from the state's entire manufacturing spectrum – including large, medium, and small manufacturers – generating more than \$288 billion in annual revenue and employing more than 1.3 million Californians. Our manufacturing sector includes the international leaders of aerospace, and these companies are at the forefront of developing California's growing space exploration and commercialization market. This is a dynamic industry that challenges ideas, innovates and provides career pathways for many young women and men from science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) curriculums.

California is committed to further supporting companies that represent our ideals, the same innovative spirit and those creating a destination for high-wage jobs and greater opportunity for all. As you may know, in June 2022, Astra was awarded a \$25M tax incentive through the CALCompetes program as distributed by the California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) as a targeted investment to create high-paying jobs, increase overall business investment in California, and improve our mutual economic conditions.

The City of Alameda is now afforded the opportunity to demonstrate how local government can simultaneously support California's model for a sustainable and prosperous future, while also supporting a private industry and signaling to other innovators that Alameda Point/City of Alameda is willing to invest in California's new space industry. On August 31, 2022, Governor Newsom and GO-Biz Director, Dee Dee Myers, announced a new Space Industry Task Force to grow California's space industry sector, address industry challenges and the ability to harness future growth. The City of Alameda is now uniquely positioned to partner with the space industry and bring forth incredible opportunities for the broader community.

The Space Industry Task Force is charged with, but not limited to:

- Attracting and catalyzing new businesses, including international businesses
- Expanding existing aerospace and space businesses
- Growing California's workforce and providing more well-paying jobs
- Expanding research and development in aerospace and advanced manufacturing
- Building more testing and launch capability



- Working with California's higher education system to create potential new career paths and fill the expanded need for skills such as quantum physics and AI; and
- Creating new models for public/private cooperation, such as allowing private investments in Department of Defense infrastructure.

CMTA would welcome collaboration with the City of Alameda as to how not only Astra, but other private space industries could potentially usher in a new era of development. It is necessary, however, that the City of Alameda provide the assurance and predictability of longer-term development so that certainty and continuity of investments continue.

For these reasons, we support the City of Alameda approving the long-term lease agreement with Astra Space, Inc.

Respectfully,

Robert Spiegel
Senior Policy Director, Government Relations

Cc. The Honorable Malia Vella, Vice-Mayor, City of Alameda
The Honorable Tony Daysog, Councilmember, City of Alameda
The Honorable Trish Herrera Spencer, Councilmember, City of Alameda
The Honorable John Knox White, Councilmember, City of Alameda
Nancy Bronstein, Interim City Manager, City of Alameda
Lisa Maxwell, Director of Base Reuse & Community Development, City of Alameda
Nanette Mocanu, Assistant Director of Base Reuse and Community Development, City of Alameda
Lara Weisiger, Department Head – City Clerk, City of Alameda
Dee Dee Myers, Director, Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz)
Angela Pontes, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor

From: [SKG](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 7:30:22 AM

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Thank you.

Salena Grewal

1343 Caroline St, Alameda, CA 94501

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From: [tracy jensen](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Please accept the staff recommendation and vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

~ Tracy Jensen

From: [Claudia Viera](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Thank you.

Claudia Viera

From: [Rosemary Reilly](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Thank you.

Rosemary Reilly
Sent from my iPad

From: [Dona Fuller](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Thank you.

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Thank you.
Megan Marshall
Alameda Resident

From: [William Gibbs](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone - W. D. Gibbs

From: [Roberta Bobba](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Thank you.

From: [Deb](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Baum](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 10:42:46 AM

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Please vote YES To approve the long-term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

John C. Baum
912 Grand Street
Alameda CA 94501
Mobile: 510-387-3060

From: [Ron Piotrowski](#)
To: [John Knox White](#); [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Lara Weisiger](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Nanette Mocanu](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 10:27:22 AM

Dear Mayor and City Council:

As a long time Alameda resident...

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Thank you.
Ronald Piotrowski
Broadway
Alameda

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Ron Sent by iPhn 415.307.4773

From: [Suzanne Martin](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); daysog@alamedaca.gov; [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 10:09:59 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Thank you.

Suzanne

Suzanne Martin, cfre *(she/her)*

Director of Fund Development & Community Outreach
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From: [Don Lindsey](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:52:27 AM

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Thank you.
Suzanne lindsey
Don lindsey
Sent from my iPad

From: [KURT W LIBBY](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

From: [Cindy](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:44:31 AM

Dear Mayor and City Council:

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Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Thank you.

Cindy Berk
RYT 200 Yoga Instructor
Project Manager
Kindness Matters

Sent from my iPad

From: [Tianna Meriage Reiter](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:38:17 AM

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Thank you.
Tianna

From: [Doug Linney](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:34:20 AM

Dear Mayor and City Council:

I don't know the details of this particular item, but I have come in contact with both the company and its employees in Alameda and find that its values and goals to be aligned with mine and I would think, the goals of Alameda Point.

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Thank you.

Doug Linney

From: [Barnett Brickner](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:32:18 AM

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Thank you.

Barnett Brickner
3421 Solomon Lane
Alameda, CA 94502
barnebrick@gmail.com

From: [Debbie Voogd](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 9:25:58 AM

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Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

From: [Diane Rizzo](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
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Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Angela McIntyre](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
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Thank you.
Angela McIntyre

From: [librarycat](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [John Knox White](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Astra in Alameda - Sept 20 Item 7-F
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Thank you.

Sent from my Galaxy

From: [Mark Epperson](#)
To: [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#); [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] KEEP ASTRA IN ALAMEDA - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Monday, September 12, 2022 11:53:52 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Dear Mayor and City Council:

The USS Hornet Museum fully support Astra's continued growth and long term occupancy in Alameda. As a CalCompetes awardee, Astra has been established by the state as a key employer providing quality jobs in the manufacturing and technology sectors. Astra has demonstrated its commitment to fostering a safe environment and has directly addressed questions and concerns related to public safety. They have actively engaged in the community, initiated collaborations with local educators to create STEAM curriculum from elementary through college, and formed alliances with organizations to source and hire local Alameda residents and diverse groups such as veterans and persons of color. As a publicly-traded company, Astra brings the financial strength, demonstrated product capability, and growing pipeline that will also attract more creative, innovative businesses to the Point, which is aligned with the long term objective of job creation and development in the Enterprise District. The Museum has partnered with ASTRA on STEM/Education initiatives for the children of Alameda.

Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda!

Sincerely,

Mark

CAPT Mark Epperson

USN (ret)

CEO

mark.epperson@uss-hornet.org

510-521-8448 ext 238



From: [Alans Original](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] KEEP ASTRA IN ALAMEDA - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Saturday, September 10, 2022 7:17:24 AM

Dear Mayor and City Council:

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Please vote YES To approve the long term leases at Alameda Point and keep Astra in Alameda! They have provided a lot of revenue in rents they pay in Alameda, frequent many of the businesses here in town, and on Alameda Point. Furthermore they have rehabilitated a building next to the soccer field that was left in disrepair and have done a great job in improving the area. Finally, the work done at ASTRA is SAFE, and they are a true "High Tech" company that has come to Alameda. The original video tapes done in 1996-1997 at the closure of Alameda Naval Air Station pointed to this location becoming a high tech, aviation and Aerospace hub. ASTRA is the company that is truly implementing the early visions of post NAS Alameda. As I live very close to the Astra building, I have never seen, heard or been exposed to any issues with the companies testing and manufacturing.

KEEP ASTRA here in ALAMEDA!!

Thank you.

From: [Rob Doud](#)
To: [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Alameda, stop playing landlord. Let private develop make Alameda all it can be and KEEP ASTRA
IN ALAMEDA - Sept 20 Item 7-F
Date: Friday, September 9, 2022 2:55:10 PM

Dear Mayor and City Council:

I think the real concern here is this; should the City be the landlord? All the positive development that has occurred out at the base is due to private development. Compare Bldg 9 and 91 with the tenants like Kairos, Firebrand, Almanac, and Admiral Malting. These two buildings have been beautifully restored by private developers. Look at the new apartments and condo's on West Atlantic Way. Now compare these to any of the City owned buildings. Tax payers of Alameda deserve the best and this will only come with private development with the City's help to ensure we develop only the best for Alameda.

In the meantime, I fully support Astra's continued growth and long term occupancy in Alameda. As a publicly-traded company, Astra brings the financial strength, demonstrated product capability, and growing pipeline that will also attract more creative, innovative businesses to the Point, which is aligned with the long term objective of job creation and development in the Enterprise District.

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Thank you.

Resident and employer of Alameda

Robert Doud
Harbor Linx, Inc. / McGuire and Hester

From: [Andrea Ruport](#)
To: [Malia Vella](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [John Knox White](#); [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#)
Cc: [Nanette Mocanu](#); [Lisa Maxwell](#); [Nancy Bronstein](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Thank you.
Andrea Ruport