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Michael Smith, Senior Planner City of San Bruno 567 El Camino Real San Bruno, CA 94066

Re: 160 El Camino Real Hotel + Draft Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Dear Michael Smith:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for this project. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated, and efficient transportation system. The following comments are based on our review of the March 2021 MND.

Project Understanding

The 160 El Camino Real Hotel project proposes to construct a three-story, approximately 19,107 square-foot boutique hotel that would provide 28 guestrooms. The first floor would be dedicated to guest amenity spaces (lobby, lounge, bar areas) and hotel operations (front desk, administrative office, mechanical and electrical rooms, etc.). Guestrooms would be located on the second and third floors. Once operational, the proposed hotel is anticipated to have a total of 17 employees. This project site is located directly on State Route (SR)-82, or El Camino Real, and San Luis Avenue in the city of San Bruno.

Travel Demand Analysis

With the enactment of Senate Bill (SB) 743, Caltrans is focused on maximizing efficient development patterns, innovative travel demand reduction strategies, and multimodal improvements. For more information on how Caltrans assesses Transportation Impact Studies, please review Caltrans' Transportation Impact

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Study Guide. Caltrans' acknowledges that the project's Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) analysis and significance determination are undertaken in a manner consistent with the Office of Planning and Research's (OPR) Technical Advisory. This proposed project is located within ½ mile of an existing high-quality, major transit stop and is presumed to have less than significant VMT impacts.

Equitable Access

If any Caltrans facilities are impacted by the project, those facilities must meet American Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards after project completion. As well, the project must maintain bicycle and pedestrian access during construction. These access considerations support Caltrans' equity mission to provide a safe, sustainable, and equitable transportation network for all users.

Encroachment Permit

Please be advised that any permanent work or temporary traffic control that encroaches onto the ROW requires a Caltrans-issued encroachment permit. As part of the encroachment permit submittal process, you may be asked by the Office of Encroachment Permits to submit a completed encroachment permit application package, digital set of plans clearly delineating the State ROW, digital copy of signed, dated and stamped (include stamp expiration date) traffic control plans, this comment letter, your response to the comment letter, and where applicable, the following items: new or amended Maintenance Agreement (MA), approved Design Standard Decision Document (DSDD), approved encroachment exception request, and/or airspace lease agreement. Your application package may be emailed to D4Permits@dot.ca.gov.

To download the permit application and to obtain more information on all required documentation, visit https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications.

Lead Agency

As the Lead Agency, the City of San Bruno is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to the State Transportation Network (STN). The project's fair share contribution, financing, scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures. Michael Smith, Senior Planner April 14, 2021 Page 3

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Laurel Sears at laurel.sears@dot.ca.gov. Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please contact LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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