

**Subject:** Letter of support for PRT Loopworks

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Hello Rob.

One could say that I have supported the Milpitas PRT project from the time I first rode PRT. My colleague and I had the opportunity at the University of West Virginia in Morgantown. After riding their PRT system, I had the nagging question "why isn't Silicon Valley doing this?" Well, now it is!

With more age and less driving, PRT's always-available service is one aspect of public transit that I want but don't get. Another is ease of use for people with handicaps whether physical, emotional, or intellectual. PRT provides ADA-compatible designs, and easy to use features. Simply acting from compassion, the City should embrace this project as a way to support the 1 in 3 residents who don't drive.

**LoopWorks** estimates that the City will benefit financially to the tune of \$1M/year in extra revenue coming mostly from an increase in property values -- for just 10% of Milpitas. If the system proves successful, I can envision expanding it to serve most of the city and its residents, thus generating even more revenue.

Most importantly, PRT promises to be a carbon-free transportation option that supports all the other ways people get around. Given the City's commitment to CO2 reductions, I urge policy makers to embrace the Memorandum of Understanding that says, "yes, Milpitas will grant right-of-way for the PRT project."

Sincerely,

Isaac Stringer