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## Santa Clara Plays Fair

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Madame Mayor, Santa Clara City Councilmembers and City Staff, thank you & good evening. I'm Bill Bailey and I have lived in Santa Clara for 20 years. I'm the Treasurer of Santa Clara Plays Fair<dot>org. All of us are volunteers.

It is abundantly clear that the Disposition and Development Agreement for a subsidized stadium in Santa Clara will be informed by the highly-deficient Term Sheet of June 2, 2009. That Term Sheet allows the San Francisco 49ers every imaginable give-back and set-off, without any benefit to the City of Santa Clara anywhere near worth a \$114,000,000 subsidy.

But the real problem is that this DDA will only be available to voting Santa Clarans on or about July 13<sup>th</sup> – AFTER the June 8<sup>th</sup> election.<sup>1</sup>

Santa Clarans are entitled to see exactly what the massive stadium subsidy is really buying for our city. Calling a vote, and then permitting changes in the final binding document with the San Francisco 49ers, simply makes null the binding vote we were promised.

Our group, Santa Clara Plays Fair, urges that the binding ballot measure be submitted to voters only after all of this information – ***including a precise description of the financing of the Santa Clara Stadium Authority*** – is in the hands of Santa Clarans.

**The only realistic date for a ballot measure for the massive stadium subsidy – particularly in view of the way the initiative was misrepresented to Santa Clarans – is November 2, 2010.**

Thank you.

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<sup>1</sup> Minutes, City Council Meeting, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Agenda Item 6C.