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The Honorable Elizabeth Lewis, Mayor
Town of Atherton
91 Ashfield Road
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Dear Mayor Lewis,

It has come to my attention through the local press that the Town of Atherton has undertaken a complete 'Municipal Services' review to examine what services the Town receives, and what the Town pays for those services, including the Fire District.

I believe this is a prudent undertaking of the Council and I support it. Our mutual constituents, through their elected officials should be able to have any and all information as to how their tax dollars are spent and what they receive for them.

As a longtime supporter and advocate of our first responders locally and nationally, we are all grateful for their dedicated service, and we in turn, support and honor their public duties with our tax dollars.

Therefore, it is fully appropriate for the Town of Atherton, the City of Menlo Park, the City of East Palo Alto, and the County of San Mateo, all members of the Fire District, to either jointly or separately request and receive any and all information relative to revenues received by the Fire District for their services, what they specifically provide, and what their costs are.

I'm exceedingly proud of the high level of civility that is the hallmark of our congressional district, and I trust that as you and others work with the Fire district to obtain the information requested of them, that all parties will uphold this great tradition.

Most gratefully,

Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress

