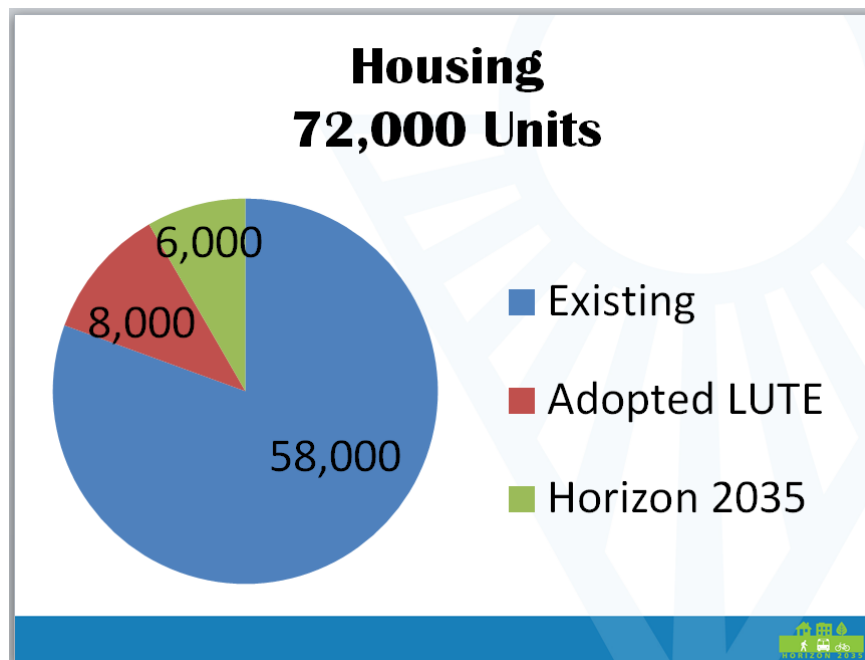**Land Use and Transportation Element (LUTE) Statistics**
Staff reviewed the information contained in the letter to the editor from Councilmember Pat Meyering that was published in the *Sunnyvale Sun* on July 3, and believes it would be beneficial to clarify the statistics that are cited. The primary source for the referenced statistics appears to be the PowerPoint presented to the City Council at the LUTE study session on May 19. The following highlights the significant difference in the statistics depending on the reference point that is used. When comparing existing conditions to the Draft LUTE, the changes are more significant. However, for framing an understanding of the proposed policy changes in the Draft LUTE, it is appropriate to compare the current adopted General Plan to the Draft LUTE. Is should also be noted that the planning period for the Draft LUTE is to 2035 (20 years), whereas the adopted General Plan is to 2025 (10 years remaining).

"The number of homes, beyond what's already been approved will be another 24 percent, . . ."

*There are approximately 58,000 existing dwelling units in Sunnyvale today. The current adopted General Plan would allow 8,000 additional dwellings, and the Draft LUTE would allow an additional 6,000 dwellings. The net percentage increase between 2014 existing and the Draft LUTE is about **24%**, but the net increase between the adopted General Plan and Draft LUTE is about **9%**.*
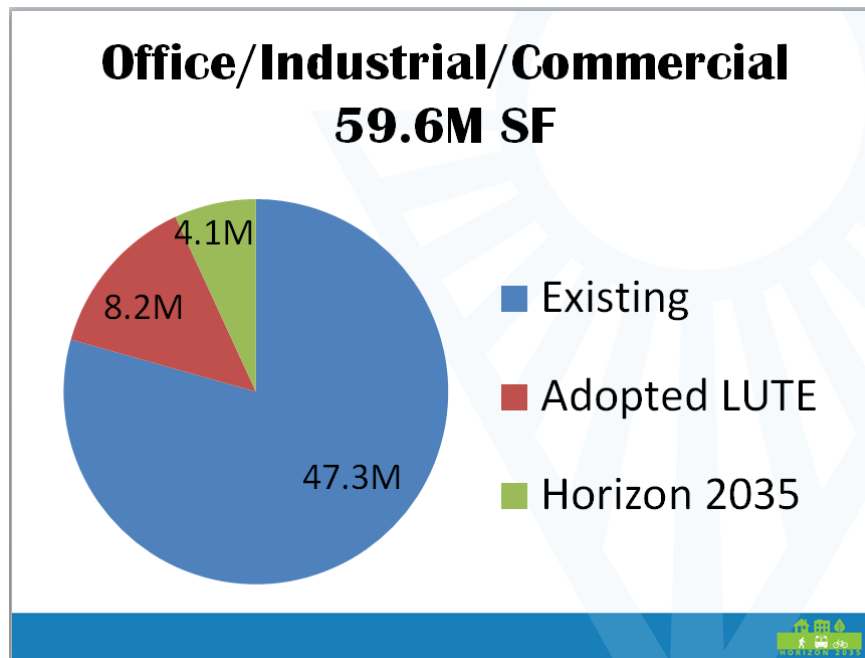

"Sunnyvale's population will grow by another 30,000 to 35,000 people."

*Assuming a persons/unit ratio of 2.57 persons per household (based on 2015 State Department of Finance data for Sunnyvale), the net population increase between 2014 and the Draft LUTE is about **35,980**, and the net population increase between the adopted General Plan and Draft LUTE is about **15,420**.*

"There will be 12.3 million square feet of office-commercial space beyond what city government has already authorized."

*While the net increase between what is existing today and what would be allowed in the Draft LUTE is **12.3 million square feet**, the additional office/industrial/commercial (O/I/C) space that would be allowed, if the Draft LUTE were adopted, is **4.1 million square feet** (difference between current adopted General Plan and Draft LUTE).*

"This 26 percent increase will be blocks of office towers."

*The additional increase in O/I/C space is not exclusively offices and could include other commercial uses such as retail, hotels, restaurants, and industrial/R&D uses. While the net percentage increase in O/I/C space between existing and the Draft LUTE is about **26%**, the net increase between the adopted General Plan and Draft LUTE is about **7.4%**.*

"The Council majority's plan accommodates over 80,000 additional - mostly computer company employees - coming into Sunnyvale."

*The estimated number of existing jobs in Sunnyvale is 82,000. The adopted General Plan estimates an increase to 109,900 total jobs. The Draft LUTE estimates an increase to 124,000 total jobs. The net increase in jobs between existing and the Draft LUTE is about **42,000 jobs**, and the net increase in jobs between the adopted General Plan and Draft LUTE is **14,100 jobs**.*

Number of City intersections that will reach a Level of Service "E" or "F":

There are seven intersections at LOS E-F today, 11 projected to reach LOS E-F under the current adopted General Plan, and an additional seven under the Draft LUTE for a total of 25. Thus, the Draft LUTE would increase by seven, the number of intersections reaching LOS E-F

over the adopted General Plan. As noted at the study session, these are preliminary results and could change upon further analysis. It should also be noted that some of these intersections would reach LOS E-F largely due to projected regional growth from outside of the City.

The "average actual speed of 9-14 miles per hour" reference did not come from staff. LOS is measured based on average delay at an intersection during the AM and PM peak hours and is not based on average vehicle speed.