

JOINT EIR SCOPING AND COMMUNITY MEETING AGENDA

General Plan Amendment and Conforming Rezoning for
The Five Wounds Urban Village Plan Update
File Nos. GP24-003, C24-032, C24-033, C24-034, & ER21-298

Location: Roosevelt Community Center

901 East Santa Clara Street, San José

When: Thursday, March 21, 2024

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Interpretation Services: Spanish and Vietnamese language interpretation will be available during this meeting.

Contact us by March 14, 2024, if you need:

- Other language interpretation - (408) 535-3505
- Accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act - (408) 525-1250 or 7-1-1 (TTY)

Servicios de Traducción: La interpretación del idioma español estará disponible durante esta reunión.

Dịch vụ phiên dịch: Phiên dịch tiếng Tây Ban Nha sẽ có trong cuộc họp này.

MEETING PURPOSE

The City of San José will describe the proposed project, describe the City’s project and environmental review process, provide an overview of issues to be discussed in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) analysis to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) relative to the General Plan Amendment and Conforming Rezoning on approximately 1,400 parcels within the Urban Village Plan boundary, and to obtain community input regarding potential environmental impacts. Comments, concerns, and questions raised at this meeting will become part of the public record and will help inform the project’s design as it moves forward in the review process. Public input on the scope of the EIR is encouraged to ensure that all relevant environmental issues are addressed. The Notice of Preparation (NOP) of the EIR is being circulated for public review and comment on the proposed General Plan Amendment and Conforming Rezoning from Friday, March 8, 2024 to Monday, April 8, 2024 by 5:00 p.m., and is available on the Planning Division’s Environmental Review webpage under the project name “GPA and Conforming Rezoning for Five Wounds Urban Village Plan Update” (and file numbers GP24-003, C24-032, C24-033, C24-034, and ER21-298) at the following link: www.sanjoseca.gov/ActiveEIRs. Verbal comments on the NOP will be accepted at the scoping meeting and written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024. There are continuous opportunities throughout the project review process for public comment on the project and EIR as illustrated in the process chart below.

MEETING PURPOSE

The Five Wounds Urban Village Plan Update (project) would create a new “Five Wounds Urban Village” Plan that would govern land use and transportation development in the area through 2040. The new Five Wounds Urban Village Plan would incorporate the existing urban villages located in the project area (Five Wounds Urban Village, Roosevelt Park Urban Village, Little Portugal Urban Village, and the 24th and William Urban Village) into a single plan that reflects the anticipated development potential of the area following construction and operation of the future 28th Street/Little Portugal BART station (separate CEQA action and not part of this project). The stand-alone Roosevelt Park Urban Village, Little Portugal Urban Village, and the 24th and William Urban Village Plans will be retired.

The project would modify the planned job and housing capacities of the area from approximately 4,855 jobs and 2,022 housing units to 2,500 jobs and 8,022 housing units. The decrease in job capacity and increase in housing capacity would result in a net zero change in capacity under the Envision San José 2040 General Plan (General Plan), with jobs and housing units being distributed to and from, respectively, other urban villages throughout San José. For more information, please read our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and project background at www.sanjoseca.gov/FiveWoundsUVP.

If you have questions regarding the project or this meeting, please contact one of the following:

Project Manager	Environmental Project Manager	Project Information Email
Charla Gomez Charla.Gomez@sanjoseca.gov (408) 793-5543	Tina Garg Tina.Garg@sanjoseca.gov (408) 535-7895	General 5W@sanjoseca.gov (408) 535-3555

COMMUNITY MEETING CODE OF CONDUCT

The City of San José is committed to providing the information and opportunities to encourage residents to follow development activity in their neighborhoods and to actively participate in the land use development process. The intent of this community meeting today is to inform property owners, residents, and other interested parties about the proposed development, answer questions, and receive public comments. Staff will take notes on the discussion, respect all input and opinions, and respond to policy and process questions.

Please refer to the following guidelines for expected conduct at the workshop:

- Attendees at the workshop will refrain from behavior which disrupts the public meeting or which may intimidate others who wish to voice their opinions. This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing, or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- Harassment of meeting participants including City staff will not be tolerated in any form. If a participant engages in harassing behavior, City Staff will end the meeting or ask the participant to leave the meeting.

AGENDA

I. Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Overview, and Background

6:30 PM - 6:45 PM (*15 minutes*)

- The Project Manager from the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement (PBCE) will welcome participants, provide an overview of the agenda, and introduce presenters.

II. Summary of the City of San José General Plan Amendment, Conforming Rezoning, and Environmental Review Process

6:45 PM - 7:15 PM (*30 minutes*)

- The Project Manager for the proposed project will summarize the General Plan Amendment process and Conforming Rezoning process. The environmental Project Manager will summarize the environmental review process.

III. Project Presentation

7:15 PM – 7:30 PM (*15 minutes*)

- The Project Manager from PBCE will present the proposed project.

IV. Open Forum

7:30 PM – 8:30 PM (*60 minutes*)

- The Project Manager will facilitate questions and comments from members of the community.
- Each speaker will be limited to five minutes each.
- Each individual may be limited to speaking once depending on the time available.
- Comments may be submitted in writing after the meeting if additional comments are to be made.

V. Next Steps

7:50 PM – 8:30 PM (*10 minutes*)

VI. Meeting Adjournment

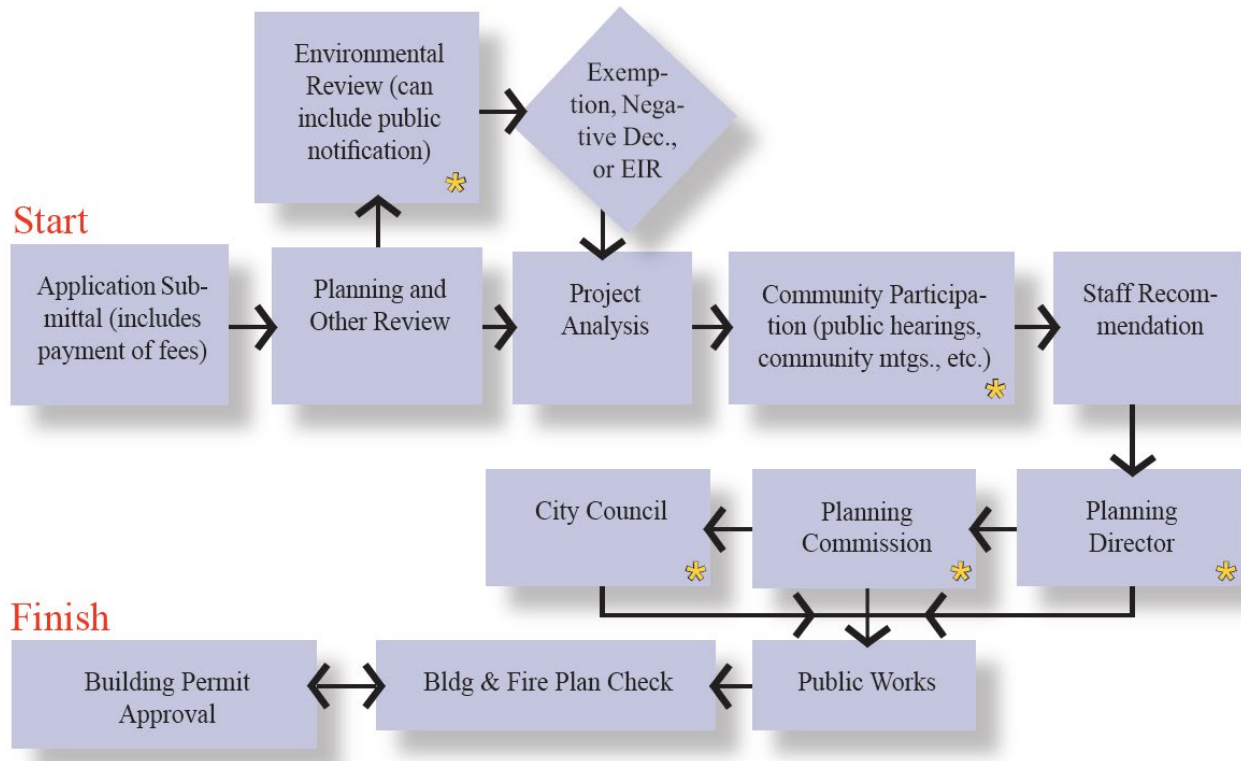
8:30 PM

- Please provide best contact information to receive project updates by submitting an email request to 5W@sanjoseca.gov.
- For environmental review updates, please submit an email request to Tina.Garg@sanjoseca.gov.

(Note: All agenda items and allocated time on each are subject to change)

STEPS IN THE PLANNING PROCESS

Project review is an essential part of the land use and development process. The flow chart below provides a basic depiction of the steps involved.



* Opportunity for community participation

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

CEQA requires developers to disclose the potential environmental impacts resulting from the construction of a project. When the City reviews a project for CEQA compliance, it is determining if the project will or will not have significant environmental effects in the following subject areas: aesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, population/housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, and utilities/service systems. This knowledge helps local officials to make informed decisions about whether to permit discretionary projects and, if so, with what conditions and or mitigation measures. A project can take one of three tracks:

- (1) Exempt – no possibility of impacts; or
- (2) An environmental initial study is conducted, and a negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration is adopted. This indicates that the initial study found no significant environmental impacts, or that the impacts can be reduced with mitigation measures, or
- (3) An initial study is prepared and determines that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, and preparation of an environmental impact report (EIR) is required (This is the least common outcome but is typically required for large-scale projects).¹

¹ This track is applicable to the proposed project.