

## Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

PLANNING DIVISION

# NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE DOWNTOWN STRATEGY 2040 PROJECT

(Revised)

FILE NO:

PP15-102

PROJECT APPLICANT:

City of San Jose

APNs:

Multiple in Downtown Area

As the Lead Agency, the City of San José will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project referenced above. The City welcomes your input regarding the scope and content of the environmental information that is relevant to your area of interest, or to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. If you are affiliated with a public agency, this EIR may be used by your agency when considering subsequent approvals related to the project. The project description, location, and probable environmental effects that will be analyzed in the EIR for the project can be found in the EIR Library in the Environmental Review section of the Planning Department's website at <a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning">www.sanjoseca.gov/planning</a>.

According to State law, the deadline for your response is **30 days** after receipt of this notice; however, we would appreciate an earlier response, if possible. Please identify a contact person, and send your written response to:

City of San José

Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement

Attn: Darryl Boyd

200 East Santa Clara Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Tower

San José CA 95113-1905

Phone (408) 535-7843, e-mail Darryl Boyd@sanjoseca.gov

The Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement of the City of San José will hold a Public Scoping Meeting for the EIR to describe the proposed project and the environmental review process in order to facilitate your input on the EIR analysis for the proposal. The EIR Public Scoping Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 6:30 PM and will be held in the Wing Public Room 120 at City Hall, 200 East Santa Clara Street. You are welcome to attend and give us your input on the scope of the EIR so that it addresses all relevant environmental issues.

Harry Freitas, Director			
Planning,	Building and	Code	Enforcement

Reena Brilliot

Deputy

3/1/17

Date



### NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT SCOPING MEETING

The Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement of the City of San José will hold a Public Scoping Meeting for proposed amendments to the Envision 2040 General Plan related to revisions and updates to the Downtown Strategy 2000, a project which will require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The purpose of this meeting is to briefly describe the proposed project, the environmental review process, and to obtain your input on the issues you wish to have discussed in the EIR analysis. This EIR Public Scoping Meeting will be held in compliance with the City's Public Outreach Policy and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**Meeting Location:** 

San José City Hall Wing Room 120

200 East Santa Clara Street

San Jose, CA 95113

Date:

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Time:

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Revised Project:** An update of Downtown Strategy 2000 to be consistent with the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan and changes to development capacity and phasing within the Downtown boundary as delineated in the Downtown Strategy 2000 and the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan. The project proposes to increase residential capacity from 8,500 units to 14,360 units and increase office capacity from 11.2 million square feet to 14.2 million square feet (an increase of 4,000 additional residential units and 3 million square feet of office compared to development capacity assumed in the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan). Retail and hotel development capacities would remain the same as Downtown Strategy 2000 (1.4 million square feet and 3,600 rooms, respectively).

This update could also include changes to the Downtown Strategy, General Plan Land Use/Transportation Diagram, and text amendments to the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan, including, but not limited to, an increase in the Downtown Planning Area to include two blocks on the east side of N. 4th Street between Julian Street and St. John Street, the identification of Employment Priority Areas to prioritize the development of commercial and office uses proximate to the proposed BART station on Santa Clara Street, and changes to project phasing and required transportation infrastructure.

**Project Location:** San José's Downtown as delineated in the Downtown Strategy 2000 and the Envision 2040 General Plan, which encompasses approximately three square miles generally bounded by West Taylor Street/Coleman Avenue/East Julian Street to the north, San José State University and City Hall to the east, Interstate 280 to the south, and the Diridon Station Area to the west. State Route 87 runs in a north/south direction and generally divides Downtown. The Downtown boundaries are shown on the map on the reverse side of this notice.

Meeting Purpose: The meeting will consist of a brief presentation of the proposed project by City staff and an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) public scoping meeting for City staff to describe the proposed project's environmental review process and to obtain your input on environmental issues you wish to see discussed in the EIR analysis for the proposal. You are welcome to attend and give your input on the scope of the EIR so that it addresses all relevant environmental issues.

The Notice of Preparation for the EIR is available for review online in the Active EIRs Library of the City of San Jose's Planning Division web site at <a href="www.sanjoseca.gov/activeeirs">www.sanjoseca.gov/activeeirs</a>. The Notice of Preparation (revised) includes the project description, location, and probable environmental effects that will be analyzed in the EIR for the project. The City welcomes your input regarding the scope and content of the environmental information that is relevant to your area of interest. If you have any questions before the meeting or during the process, please contact:

#### Darryl Boyd, Environmental Project Manager Email: Darryl.Boyd@sanjoseca.gov

Phone: (408) 535-7843

Harry Freitas, Director Planning, Building & Code Enforcement

Reena Brilliot

3/1/17 Date

Deputy

Muốn biết tin tức bằng tiếng Việt Nam về tờ thông tin này, xin quý vị liên lạc **Kieulan Pham** ở số **(408) 793-4174**.

Para información en español acerca de esta solicitud, comuníquese con Jennifer Provedor al (408) 793-4100.

### PROJECT LOCATION

