



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SANTANA WEST DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND THE I-280/WINCHESTER/MOORPARK TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT POLICY

FILE NO:

PDC14-068

PROJECT APPLICANT:

Federal Realty Investment Trust

APNs:

303-40-010, 303-40-12 to 303-40-16

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Community/Scoping Meeting: A Community/EIR Scoping meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Cypress Community and Senior Center at 403 Cypress Avenue, San Jose, CA 95117.

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 response to:

City of San José
Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement
Attn: David Keyon
200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower
San José CA 95113-1905

Phone: (408) 535-7898, E-mail: david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov

Harry Freitas, Director

Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

Deputy

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November 2015

Introduction

The purpose of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is to inform decision-makers and the general public of the environmental effects of a proposed project that an agency may implement or approve. The EIR process is intended to provide information sufficient to evaluate a project and its potential for significant impacts on the environment; to examine methods of reducing adverse impacts; and to consider alternatives to the project.

The EIR for the proposed project will be prepared and processed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended. In accordance with the requirements of CEQA, the EIR will include the following:

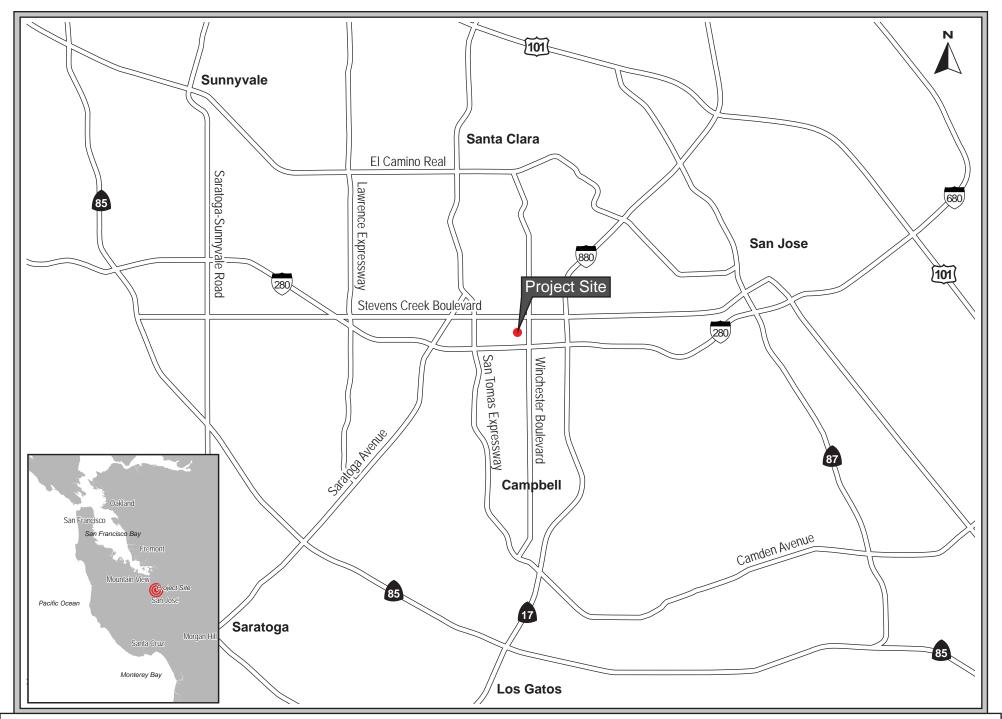
- A summary of the project;
- A project description;
- A description of the existing environmental setting, environmental impacts, and mitigation measures for the project;
- Alternatives to the project as proposed; and
- Environmental consequences, including (a) any significant environmental effects which cannot be avoided if the project is implemented; (b) any significant irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources; (c) the growth inducing impacts of the proposed project; and (d) cumulative impacts.

Project Location

The 11.8-acre project site is located at the southwest corner of Winchester Boulevard and Olin Avenue in the City of San José. (see Figures 1 and 2)

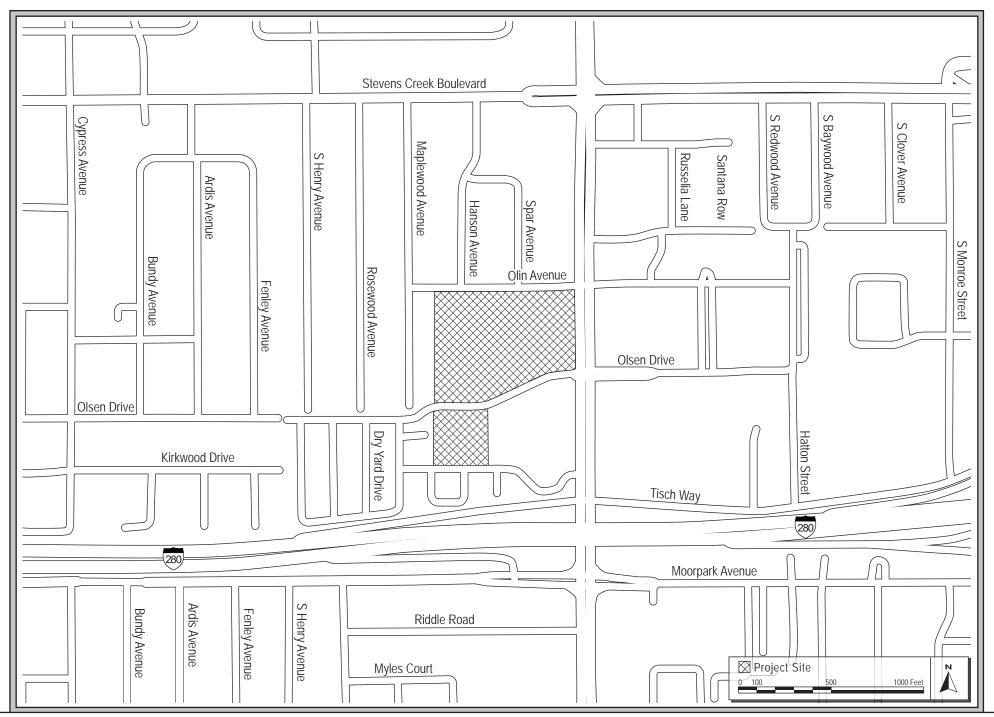
Project Description

The project site is currently developed with three movie theaters (Century 21, 22, and 23), a restaurant, and a large surface parking lot. The movie theaters were closed in March 2014 and have remained vacant since that time. The City Council designated one of the three theater buildings, Century 21, as a City Landmark on June 10, 2014. The buildings has also been determined to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places and the California Register of Historic Resources. A public road, Olsen Drive, traverses the site, connecting Winchester Boulevard to a residential neighborhood west of the project site. The project site is adjacent to the historic Winchester Mystery House.



REGIONAL MAP

FIGURE 1



The proposed project is a phased development that would include demolition of the two non-historic theater buildings on-site (Century 22 and 23) and construction of up to 970,000 square feet of office space and 29,000 square feet of retail space in six buildings, and retention of the Century 21 Theater building. Parking would be provided in above grade and below grade parking structures within the new buildings. The buildings would range in height from six to nine stories with the nine story buildings along Winchester Boulevard and in the center of the site. The six story buildings would be located near the western property line.

Circulation

As proposed, the project would vacate the Olsen Drive right-of-way within the project boundary, converting it to a private street, and realign the road. Currently, the roadway is curved and would be realigned to make it straight. The road would then dead end at the Century 21 theater building. A new 180-space surface parking lot would be installed south of the roadway to support the Winchester Mystery House. New internal access roads would be constructed in a grid pattern between the proposed buildings, providing one main driveway from Winchester Boulevard and three driveways on Olin Avenue. Sidewalks would be provided on the internal access roads. Because Olsen Drive would no longer connect through the project site to the residential neighborhood to the west, a new roadway would be constructed along the western property line that would connect Olsen Drive (west of the project site) to Olin Avenue.

Century 21 Theater

As proposed, the Century 21 Theater building would be retained in its current location and separated from the proposed buildings by open space. A pedestrian/bicycle trail would run through the open space area connecting Olsen Drive west of the project site to the realigned Olsen Drive within the project site. Various reuse options for the Century 21 Theater building are being considered. One option would be to incorporate the building as part of the public open space on-site by removing the façade and roof of the building and retaining the underlying metal substructure, allowing the building to be utilized as an outdoor pavilion. Reuse options which retain the full structure are also under consideration. Additional outdoor open space designated for the office buildings is proposed.

I-280 Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy

In addition to the Santana West development, the EIR will evaluate implementation of a Transportation Development Policy (TDP) to fund potential interchange improvements at Interstate 280, Winchester Boulevard, and Moorpark Avenue to address area traffic impacts. This TDP will include the potential implementation of traffic impact fees that will be applicable to the Santana West project and future developments that add trips to the I-280, Winchester Boulevard, and Moorpark Avenue interchange.

Required Project Approvals:

- 1. Adoption of the I-280 Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy
- 2. Planned Development Rezoning
- 3. Planned Development Permits
- 4. Historic Preservation Permit for alterations/restoration of the Century 21 Theater
- 5. Vacation of Olsen Drive and street re-alignment
- 6. Tentative Map
- 7. Issuance of grading, building, and occupancy permits.

Potential Environmental Impacts of the Project

The EIR will identify the significant environmental effects anticipated to result from development of the project as proposed. Mitigation measures will be identified for significant impacts, as warranted. The EIR will include the following specific environmental categories as related to the proposed project:

1. Land Use

The project site is located in a developed urbanized area surrounded by commercial, office, and residential land uses. The EIR will describe the existing land uses adjacent to and within the project area. Land use impacts that would occur as a result of the proposed project will be analyzed, including the consistency of the project with the City's General Plan and zoning code and compatibility of the proposed and existing land uses in the project area. The effect of the project on the City's jobs/housing balance will also be analyzed.

2. Aesthetics

The project site is surrounded by a mix of land uses at varying heights. The EIR will describe the existing visual setting of the project area and the visual changes that are anticipated to occur as a result of the proposed project. The EIR will also discuss possible light and glare and shade and shadow impacts from the development.

3. Geology

The project site is located in the most seismically active region in the United States. The EIR will discuss the possible geological impacts associated with seismic activity and the existing soil conditions on the project site.

4. Hydrology and Water Quality

Based on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood insurance rate maps, the EIR will address the possible flooding issues of the site as well as the effectiveness of the storm drainage system and the projects effect on storm water quality consistent with the requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

5. Biological Resources

The project site is currently developed with three vacant movie theaters and a large surface parking lot. The site has minimal landscaping consisting mainly of landscape trees. The EIR will provide a discussion of the loss of trees on-site. The EIR will also discuss the overall loss of existing urban habitat and the project's consistency with the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan.

6. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

The project site is surrounded by commercial businesses (including a gas station), offices, and residential land uses. The EIR will summarize known hazardous materials conditions on and adjacent to the project site and will address the potential for the proposed development to be significantly impacted by hazardous materials.

7. Cultural Resources

This area of San Jose is not considered a sensitive area for prehistoric and historic resources. The Century 21 Theater building is located on-site and is a designated City Landmark and is eligible to be designated as a national and state historic resource. The EIR will address the potential for as yet undocumented subsurface resources to be located on-site. The EIR will also address the impacts of the development on the historic structure, including any proposed modifications to the building itself.

8. Transportation and Circulation

The EIR will examine the existing traffic conditions in the immediate vicinity of the project site and the regional transportation system. A transportation impact analysis will be prepared for the proposed project in order to identify the transportation impacts of the proposed project on the existing local and regional transportation system and the planned long-range transportation network. The analysis will also address the regional transportation facilities at I-280/Winchester Boulevard and Moorpark Avenue, evaluate potential interchange improvements at this location to address area traffic impacts, and evaluate implementation of a Transportation Development Policy including a traffic impact fee applicable to this development and future developments.

9. Air Quality

The EIR will address the regional air quality conditions in the Bay Area and discuss the proposed project's construction and operational impacts to local and regional air quality according to 2010 Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) guidelines and thresholds.

10. Noise

The existing noise environment on the project site is created primarily by traffic on Stevens Creek Boulevard, Winchester Boulevard, I-280, and the surrounding roadways. The EIR will discuss impacts to the proposed project from existing off-site noise sources. The EIR will also discuss the increase in traffic noise that would result from implementation of the proposed project, and temporary construction noise. Noise levels will be evaluated for consistency with applicable standards and guidelines in the City of San Jose.

11. Utilities

Implementation of the proposed project will result in an increased demand on utilities and public facilities compared to existing conditions. The EIR will examine the impacts of the project on public services, including utilities such as sanitary and storm drains, water supply/demand, and solid waste management.

12. Public Services

Implementation of the proposed project will increase the daytime employee population of the City which will result in an increased demand on public services, including police and fire protection. The EIR will address the availability of public facilities and service systems and the potential for the project to require the construction of new facilities.

13. Energy

Implementation of the proposed project will result in an increased demand for energy on-site. The EIR will address the increase in energy usage on-site and proposed design measures to reduce energy consumption.

14. Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The EIR will address the proposed project's contribution to regional and global greenhouse gas emissions. Proposed design measures to reduce energy consumption, which in turn would reduce greenhouse gas emissions, will be discussed.

15. Alternatives

The EIR will examine alternatives to the proposed project including a "No Project" alternative and one or more alternative development scenarios depending on the impacts identified. Other alternatives that may be discussed could include reduced development alternatives (e.g., smaller project site or reduced density alternatives), alternative land uses, and/or alternative locations. Alternatives discussed will be chosen based on their ability to reduce or avoid identified significant impacts of the proposed project while achieving most of the identified objectives of the project.

16. Significant Unavoidable Impacts

The EIR will identify those significant impacts that cannot be avoided, if the project is implemented as proposed.

17. Cumulative Impacts

The EIR will include a Cumulative Impacts section that will address the potentially significant cumulative impacts of the project when considered with other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future projects in the development area.

In conformance with the CEQA Guidelines, the EIR will also include the following sections: 1) consistency with local and regional plans and policies, 2) growth inducing impacts, 3) significant irreversible environmental changes, 4) references and organizations/persons consulted, and 5) EIR authors.

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November 17, 2015

David Keyon
Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement
City of San Jose
200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor
San Jose, CA 95113
Sent via email on November 17, 2015

Dear Mr. Keyon,

RE: NOTICE OF PREPERATION FOR A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SANTANA WEST DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND THE I-280N/WINCHESTER/MOORPARK TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT POLICY PROJECT

Thank you for including the California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) in the environmental review process for the proposed Santana West Development Project. Pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act and the California Public Resources Code, the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the OHP have broad responsibility for the implementation of federal and state historic preservation programs in California. Our comments are offered with the intent of protecting historic and cultural resources, while allowing the City of San Jose (Lead Agency) to meet its program needs. The following comments are based on the information included in the Notice of Preparation for a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed project.

The OHP has no specific comments at this time but requests the Lead Agency provide the OHP a copy of the environmental document once released for comment.

If you have questions, please contact Sean de Courcy of the Local Government and Environmental Compliance Unit, at (916) 445-7042 or at sean.decourcy@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Julianne Polanco State Historic Preservation Officer TATE OF CALIFORNIA—CALIFORNIA STATE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY.

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November 18, 2015

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Mr. David Keyon Planning Division City of San Jose 200 E. Santa Clara Street Tower, 3rd Floor San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Mr. Keyon:

Santana West Development Project and the I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy – Traffic Impact Analysis Workscope and Notice of Preparation

Thank you for continuing to include the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the project referenced above. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. Caltrans has reviewed the Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Workscope and Notice of Preparation (NOP) to ensure consistency with its mission and state planning priorities of infill, conservationism, and efficient development. Caltrans provides these comments consistent with the State's smart mobility goals to support a vibrant economy and build communities, not sprawl.

Project Understanding

The proposed project is an 11.8-acre project site located at the southwest corner of Winchester Boulevard and Olin Avenue in the northwest quadrant of the Interstate (I-) 280/Winchester Boulevard intersection. The project site is currently developed with three movie theaters (Century 21, 22, and 23), a restaurant, and a large surface parking lot. The movie theaters were closed in March 2014 and have remained vacant since that time. The City Council designated one of the three theater buildings, Century 21, as a City Landmark on June 10, 2014. The buildings has also been determined to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places and the California Register of Historic Resources. The project site is adjacent to the historic Winchester Mystery House.

Lead Agency

As the lead agency, the City of San Jose (City) is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to State highways. The project's fair share contribution, financing,

scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures.

Traffic Impacts

Caltrans recommends using the Caltrans Guide for the Preparation of Traffic Impact Studies for determining which scenarios and methodologies to use in the analysis, available at: www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ocp/igr_ceqa_files/tisguide.pdf.

Please ensure that a TIA is prepared providing the information detailed below:

- 1. A vicinity map, regional location map, and site plan clearly showing project access in relation to nearby State roadways. Ingress and egress for all project components should be clearly identified. Clearly identify the State right-of-way (ROW). Project driveways, local roads and intersections, car/bike parking, and transit facilities should be mapped.
- 2. Project-related trip generation, distribution, and assignment including per capita use of transit, rideshare or active transportation modes such as existing bus service; the Stevens Creek Boulevard Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and other new bus service, such as service to major transit centers like the Diridon Station; and vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction factors. The assumptions and methodologies used to develop this information should be detailed in the study, utilize the latest place-based research, and be supported with appropriate documentation.
- 3. 2035 Cumulative Conditions and 2035 Cumulative Plus Project Conditions.
- 4. The project site's building potential as identified in the General Plan. The project's consistency with both the Circulation Element of the General Plan and the Congestion Management Agency's Congestion Management Plan should be evaluated.
- 5. A schematic illustration of walking, biking and auto conditions at the project site and study area roadways, trip distribution percentages and volumes as well as intersection geometrics, (i.e., lane configurations, for AM and PM peak periods). Potential safety issues for all road users should be identified and fully mitigated.
- 6. Mitigation for any roadway sections or intersections with increasing VMT should be identified. Mitigation may include contributions to the regional fee program as applicable (described below), and should support the use of transit and active transportation modes. Potential mitigation measures that include the requirements of other agencies such as Caltrans are fully enforceable through permit conditions, agreements, or other legally-binding instruments under the control of the City.
- 7. The project's effect on pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit performance should be based on any projected VMT increases and evaluating mitigation measures and tradeoffs. The analysis should describe any pedestrian and bicycle mitigation measures and safety countermeasures that would be needed as a means of maintaining and improving access to transit facilities and

reducing vehicle trips (described below).

- 8. Due to the traffic demand of the I-280 and I-880 by this project, the TIA should include analyses of the queuing at:
 - Southbound (SB) I-280/Bird Avenue off-ramp;
 - SB I-280/Race Street off-ramp;
 - Northbound (NB) I-880/Stevens Creek Boulevard loop on-ramp;
 - SB I-880/Stevens Creek Boulevard diagonal on-ramp;
 - NB I-280/Winchester Boulevard diagonal on-ramp; and
 - SB I-280/Moorpark Avenue diagonal on-ramp.
- Models be based on Demand Volumes rather than output volumes or constrained flow volumes. Caltrans expects to see the impact analysis on all state facilities (freeway segments, ramps, intersections, etc.) using demand volumes.
- 10. Freeway capacity be based on a range of 2,000 vehicle/lane to 2,100 vehicle/lane for mix flow lanes and 1,650 vehicle/lane for high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes.
- 11. TIA, Figure 2 (p. 10): Project trip distribution for the I-880 and Stevens Creek Boulevard interchange has recently been reconfigured. Please update this figure to show the correct configuration. The TIA should adopt the new configuration.

Also, Caltrans recommends the NOP's Section on Potential Environmental Impacts of the Project, Item # 17 "Cumulative Impact" include the Santana Row Lot 9 and Lot 17 projects as foreseeable future projects in the development area.

Vehicle Trip Reduction

Caltrans encourages the City to locate future housing, jobs and employee-related services near major mass transit centers with connecting streets configured to facilitate walking and biking. This would promote mass transit and reduce car use, thereby reducing regional VMT and traffic impacts to the State Highway System (SHS). Travel Demand Management (TDM) measures encourage walking, bicycling, and public transportation use, and can reduce car use. TDM programs should be monitored and documented with annual reports by an onsite TDM coordinator to demonstrate effectiveness.

The TDM measures can include lower parking ratios, transit subsidies, and bike racks and storage. Caltrans recommends the project study improvements to pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure and services as a way to decrease vehicle trips and impacts to the SHS. This smart growth approach is consistent with MTC's Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Community Strategy goals of both increasing non-auto mode transportation, and reducing per capita VMT by 10 percent each.

Caltrans encourages the City to reduce the project's proposed parking supply and refer the City to "Reforming Parking Policies to Support Smart Growth," an MTC study funded by the

Caltrans, for sample parking ratios and strategies that support compact growth. Reducing parking supply encourages alternate forms of transportation, reduces regional vehicle miles traveled, and lessens future traffic impacts on I-280, I-880, and the SHS.

Traffic Impact Fees

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Given the project's contribution to area traffic and its proximity to I-280, I-880, and State Route 17, the project should contribute fair share traffic impact fees. These contributions would be used to lessen future traffic congestion and improve transit in the project vicinity.

Voluntary Contribution Program

Caltrans encourages the City to participate in the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) voluntary contribution program and plan for the impact of future growth on the regional transportation system.

Cultural Resources

Caltrans requires that a project's environmental document include documentation of a current archaeological record search from the Northwest Information Center of the California Historical Resources Information System if construction activities are proposed within State ROW. Current record searches must be no more than five years old. Caltrans requires the records search, and if warranted, a cultural resource study by a qualified, professional archaeologist, and evidence of Native American consultation to ensure compliance with CEQA, Section 5024.5 and 5097 of the California Public Resources Code, and Volume 2 of Caltrans' Standard Environmental Reference (www.dot.ca.gov/ser/vol2/vol2.htm).

These requirements, including applicable mitigation, must be fulfilled before an encroachment permit can be issued for project-related work in State ROW. Work subject to these requirements includes, but is not limited to: lane widening, channelization, auxiliary lanes, and/or modification of existing features such as slopes, drainage features, curbs, sidewalks and driveways within or adjacent to State ROW.

Traffic Control Plan (TCP)

Since it is anticipated that vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic along I-280 will be impacted during the construction of the proposed project requiring traffic restrictions and detours, a Caltrans-approved TCP is required to avoid project-related impacts to the SHS. The TCP must also comply with the requirements of corresponding jurisdictions. In addition, pedestrian access through the construction zone must be in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act regulations (see Caltrans' Temporary Pedestrian Facilities Handbook for maintaining pedestrian access and meeting ADA requirements during construction at:

www.dot.ca.gov/hq/construc/safety/Temporary_Pedestrian_Facilities_Handbook.pdf) (see also Caltrans' Traffic Operations Policy Directive 11-01 "Accommodating Bicyclists in Temporary Traffic Control Zones" at: www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/policy/11-01.pdf).

For further TCP assistance, please contact the Caltrans District 4 Office of Traffic Management Operations at (510) 286-4579. Further traffic management information is available at the following website:

www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/trafingmt/tmp_lcs/index.htm.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Brian Ashurst at (510) 286-5505 or brian.ashurst@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA MAURICE

District Branch Chief

Local Development - Intergovernmental Review

c: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse Robert Swierk, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) – electronic copy Robert Cunningham, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) – electronic copy

RE: PDC14-068

Shannon George <:

Mon 12/7/2015 8:43 AM

To:Le, Thai-Chau <Thai-Chau.Le@sanjoseca.gov>;

Thank you.

From: Le, Thai-Chau [mailto:Thai-Chau.Le@sanjoseca.gov]

Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 8:43 AM

To: Shannon George < Subject: Fw: PDC14-068

From: RON CANARIO

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2015 8:38 AM

To: Keyon, David; Tu, John;

Subject: PDC14-068

I am concerned about traffic in the area. PDC14-068 proposes approximately 1 million sq. ft. of office and retail space. PDC13-050 proposes a total of approximately 2.3 million sq. ft. of office and retail space, and I don't know what the area is of the project currently under construction at Santana Row, but I will assume 1.5 million sq. ft. just to roughly estimate the impact. The total estimate, then, is 4.8 million sq. ft. of space, and I will assume that that will accommodate about 16,000 working people. These are just rough estimates, of course, but should be in the ball park. I assume that, during the morning commute, these people will be reporting to work between 8:30AM and 10:30AM. What is your plan to handle the traffic along the Winchester Corridor and the adjacent streets?

The proposed height of PDC14-068 is 120 feet, while currently the maximum height in Santana Row, I'm told, is 70 feet. I urge you to limit the height to 70 feet so that the project better blends with the surroundings, and the Winchester corridor does not begin to look like downtown San Jose.

Ron Canario

991 So. Clover Ave. San Jose, 85128



Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement HARRY FREITAS, DIRECTOR

"SANTANA WEST" PLANNED DEVELOPMENT REZONING & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Community and Public Scoping Meeting Thursday, November 19, 2015

FILE NO. PDC14-068

PUBLIC COMMENT SHEET

To be included in the public record for this project, all comments on the project and scope of the EIR must be made in writing and submitted to the City. Comments on the project only may be submitted at any time up until the public hearing. Please send comments to: David Keyon, City of San Jose, Environmental Review Planner, and John Tu, the Project Manager via one of the following:

By Mail: 200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower, San José CA 95113-1905 By Email: <u>David.Keyon@sanjoseca.gov</u> and <u>John.Tu@sanjoseca.gov</u> (include "Santana West – File No. PDC14-068" in the subject line)

Verbal Comments received at the community meeting will be summarized by staff and included in the public record.

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Public Comment on Santana West-File No. PDC14-068

Comments on EIR Scoping of Santana West Project

In regards to Century 21 and the "Santana West" project, I am extremely disappointed and incredulous that removing the façade and roof of Century 21 is even being considered. This is disrespectful to one of our newest designated landmarks, the Century 21 Theater. The unique architecture and fond history of this building is designated as a city landmark because it needs to be saved for the public. Removing the façade and roof is a travesty. If the present developer can't afford or is not interested in creating a new re-purposing of this structure, then they should not be developing this site. I look forward to reviewing alternatives that make more sense for this community and that respect the historic nature of the former Century 21 building.

I am also very concerned about the traffic congestion and parking availability for this project, along with the needs for parking for Santana Row and the Winchester Mystery House. I hope the EIR will address plans to reduce congestion and propose enough parking for the site. Since I live nearby I often drive down Winchester Blvd. and will avoid it and all local businesses in this area when the traffic becomes even more congested than it already is.

1/3/2016 Gayle Frank 1117 Norstad St. San Jose, CA 408-275-6889 From: Warren Gannon

Sent: Tuesday, December 1, 2015 1:35 PM

To: Keyon, David

Subject: PDC14-068 Federal Realty Investment Trust

Thank you for the helpful meeting at the Cypress Community Center on November 16. I found it particularly useful to learn of the plans Federal Realty has for what we now call Santana West.

I would like to make the following comments:

- 1. I am particularly well impressed by the developers plans for vacating the Olsen Drive right-of-way and converting it to a private street. At the same time, as I understand it, the road would be realigned and would dead end into the Century 21 theatre. This would allow for needed parking at the Winchester Mystery House. Moreover, internal access roads could be constructed in a way the would provide for easy access with sidewalks and green belts wherever possible.
- 2. I am also supportive of the plans for the new road that would be constructed behind the development and would connect Olin Avenue to Olsen Avenue.

This would provide continued access to the residential neighborhood on the South Side of the project. Not only would this provide for easy access for the residents it would also provide a greater sense of security. Plus it would give a suitable setback for those homes on Maplewood that could be impacted by the height of the buildings.

3. I am concerned about the plans to provide for the 9 story buildings on the Winchester side of the project. While I think the height is fine I would like to see some sort of pedestrian friendly approach on the streetside. I believe the current plan is to build out to whatever is allowed in re setbacks but I assume it would be about the same as the Santana Row setback across the street. If that is the case I would hope the developer could think about some sort of user friendly approach that would allow for welcoming pedestrian activities (i.e., outside eating tables adjoining a restaurant lessee, green belts with benches, etc.) without giving up too much square footage. Perhaps an awning or cantilevered first floor would accomplish the purpose.

Again, thank you for the opportunity of providing for comments. In general I feel it is a good development and will provide San Jose with a first class series of buildings and a significant number of first class jobs that will occupy those buildings.

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Doug,

Thank you for the comment and we still discuss with the applicant on how they could potentially incorporate green space in the project. In regards to the amount of open space per district, here is a link to the City's Greenprint to help guage the amount of open space per district.

https://www.sanjoseca.gov/index.aspx?NID=560

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Federal Realty laying groundwork for major Mountain View redevelopment

Mountain View's San Antonio Center is about as suburban as it gets: There's your Walmart, your Kohl's, your GameStop — and, of course, your ocean of surface parking.

But take a look at a new "master plan" submitted to the city by its new owner, Federal Realty Investment Trust (FRIT). In the drawings, the big-box center is transformed into a network of 10 blocks arranged on a street grid, with a latticework of greenways, linear parks and open space.

Donato Weinstein "Report: Federal Realty laying groundwork for major Mountain View redevelopment" 11.13.15

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Kaiser finally moving forward on north San Jose medical offices?

Nearly two years after acquiring a 9.7-acre north San Jose parcel, Kaiser Permanente may actually be close to doing something with the site. The Oakland-based health-management organization in recent weeks submitted a formal development application for the site at 1717 Technology Drive. Kaiser wants to build a 153,000-square-foot medical office building "consisting of 103 provider offices serving three primary care modules and six specialty care modules, as well as support, administration and ancillary services," Kaiser wrote in its planning application. Parking would include 753 spots.

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Federal Realty ditches homes, goes all-office with 1M sq. ft. proposal across from Santana Row

Residential is no longer part of the plans for Federal Realty's proposed mega-development on San Jose's former Century dome theaters across from Santana Row.Instead? Get ready for more office space — a lot of it. The Rockville, Maryland-based REIT turned in a revised proposal several weeks ago that scraps plans for nearly 1,000 apartments, replacing them with six office buildings totaling nearly 1 million square feet, plus a 29,000 square foot grocery store, planning documents show.

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Take a peek at the new designs for the Presidio

San Franciscans are getting their first look at the New Presidio Parklands Project, after the design and schematics for the revamp of the historic area was released by the James Corner Field Operations, the architects of the project. The new project will encompass the Presidio's 14-acre site, connecting Crissy Field and the San Francisco Bay for the first time since the 1930's. Although its size isn't huge, its location will make it a prime destination for city residents and tourists alike, designers said.

McDermid, Riley "Take a peek at the new designs for the Presidio" 11.12.15

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Exclusive: Dropbox looks to shed China Basin HQ space

Dropbox doesn't need all of the half-million square feet of San Francisco office space it has stockpiled and is starting to shop its headquarters next to AT&T Park to other companies for sublease, several sources said. The cloud storage company, now valued at \$10 billion, wants to ditch about 200,000 square feet of its current China Basin office at 185 Berry St. with years left on the lease. That makes way for the privately held Dropbox to consolidate workers into new office buildings at 345 Brannan and 333 Brannan early next year, four blocks away from its current shop.

Weinberg, Cory "Exclusive: Dropbox looks to shed China Basin HQ space" 11.17.15

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9,100 housing units next to Google? Mountain View council signals support for sweeping North Bayshore housing plans

All year, the Mountain View City Council has been preparing to add housing into the city's North Bayshore business district. But the big question has been this: How many homes? On Tuesday, a number finally started to come into focus — up to 9,100 units. The council indicated its preference for a range of 6,700 to 9,100 units, which was the densest option in a slate of four development scenarios presented by city staff. The straw vote came during a study session as officials hashed out what kind of residential community they wanted to see develop in the North Bayshore, home to Google, LinkedIn, Intuit and Microsoft.

Weinstein, Nathan "9,100 housing units next to Google? Mountain View council signals support for sweeping North Bayshore housing plans"

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Sobrato unveils vision for mixed-use project in Redwood City: First look

The Sobrato Organization is taking the wraps off plans to redevelop an aging Redwood City shopping center into a mixed-use hub of homes, offices and retail, marking its first development play in the Peninsula city. The Cupertinobased real estate firm is proposing 400 apartment units, 420,000 square feet of offices and 19,000 square feet of retail for what's currently a CVSanchored shopping center at Broadway and Chestnut streets.

Weinstein, Nathan "Sobrato unveils vision for mixed-use project in Redwood City: First look" 11.10.15

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South Bay, Carlyle to start first new Campbell office project in years

Despite its strategic West Valley location, the city of Campbell hasn't seen much commercial office development in the last decade, thanks to a slowgrowth ethos and lack of building sites. But that's about to change, as the Carlyle Group and South Bay Development Co. kick off construction in the weeks ahead on Creekside @ 17, a 175,000-square-foot, five-story office building next to the Courtyard by Marriott at Highway 17 and Hamilton Avenue.

Weinstein, Nathan "South Bay, Carlyle to start first new Campbell office project in years" 11.09.15

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Before and after: How Dogpatch and Mission Bay have been transformed in a decade

Dogpatch and Mission Bay, two formerly rough-and-tumble neighborhoods in San Francisco, have seen sweeping changes in the last decade as housing and biotech office building booms took hold. Dogpatch has retained its industrial feel but many large warehouses and vacant plots have given way to shiny new condo towers and an influx of microbreweries, wineries, cafes and artisanal food producers. The former working-class neighborhood is now one of San Francisco's most sought-after locations, with median onebedroom apartment rents in Dogpatch and Mission Bay hovering at \$3,900 as of October — the second-most expensive in the city, just after the Financial District.

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Mission Bay hotel plans shape up as project nears groundbreaking

After a series of iterations, plans for the 250-room hotel in San Francisco's Mission Bay are shaping up, and the project is now slated to break ground in the second quarter of 2016. At a meeting for the Mission Bay Citizens Advisory Committee Thursday night, members approved the most recent plans for the hotel, which include a proposed art program and exterior night lighting of the hotel. Developer SOMA Hotel LLC revealed that the operator for the hotel will be Marriott (NASDAQ: MAR).

Sciacca, Annie "Mission Bay hotel plans shape up as project nears groundbreaking" 11.13.15

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Oakland's gameplan: Add, reshuffle debt to make new Raiders stadium work

Oakland would shuffle O.co Coliseum debt through Alameda County — yet still make payments on the bond obligation — and issue another series of bonds as a possible strategy to pay for a \$1 billion stadium for the Oakland Raiders. Eliminating the old debt is key because the Coliseum would no longer serve as collateral for the old bonds and, as a result, the 49-year-old structure could more quickly be torn down to make way for a new stadium. Yet by potentially saddling the city with payments on new bonds, Mayor Libby Schaaf would seemingly waffle on her pledge not to use public money to directly subsidize a new facility.

Leuty, Ron "Oakland's gameplan: Add, reshuffle debt to make new Raiders stadium work" 11.13.15

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Will Tishman Speyer help Macy's redevelop Union Square flagship store?

As sales continue to slip for Macy's, the retail giant is examining its options for redeveloping some of its best real estate, including its flagship San Francisco store in Union Square. While the company will be testing new sales initiatives through the holidays, Macy's CEO Terry Lundgren said the company is also looking into new real estate initiatives at its flagship stores, including San Francisco's Union Square, as well as its stores in New York, Chicago and Minneapolis.

Sciacca, Annie "Will Tishman Speyer help Macy's redevelop Union Square flagship store?" 11.12.15

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Before and after: See how San Francisco's Mission district has changed in the last decade

Perhaps no San Francisco neighborhood is as much a symbol of the city's changing soul and worsening housing crisis as its historic Mission district. Over the last decade, the Mission's demographic makeup has undergone a seismic shift, with the neighborhood's Latino population falling by 8,000 since 2000- from 50 percent to less than 40 percent. With two BART stations, easy access to the rest of the city, wide bike paths and a rich arts and food culture, it's easy to see why the Mission is appealing to longtime residents and newcomers alike. But even as thousands of new residents have rushed in, woefully little housing has been built. Over the last 15 years, an average of just 100 new units per year—including market-rate and affordable — have been developed in the neighborhood, sending rental prices for the limited housing stock sky-high.

Van Romburgh, Marlize "Before and after: See how San Francisco's Mission district has changed in the last decade" 11.12.15

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Luxury developer wins bidding war to build Transbay apartment tower Luxury apartment builder Crescent Heights, which constructed the glassy residential highrises next to the Twitter headquarters, just bought the rights to develop San Francisco's latest downtown tower. The Miami-based developer beat out three other development teams and agreed to pay at least \$165 million all cash for the site known as Parcel F at 546 Howard St., next to the future Transbay Transit Center, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority said Thursday.

Weinberg, Cory "Luxury developer wins bidding war to build Transbay apartment tower" 11.12.15

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West Oakland BART station could see new high-rise office or hundreds of housing units

A new development plan at the West Oakland BART station could bring around 450 housing units or a high-rise office and retail building to the station's existing parking lots, potentially transforming one of the major transit gateways of the East Bay. China Harbor Engineering Co. Ltd., which won the rights to negotiate with BART to build on the site last year, and local development partner Alan Dones are allowed under zoning to add housing or "a couple hundred thousand square feet" of office space, said Dones. The buildings would be built on both the north and south sides of the station, bounded by Fifth Street to Seventh Street between Chester Street and Mandela Parkway.

Li, Roland "West Oakland BART station could see new high-rise office or hundreds of housing units" 11.10.12

West Oakland BART station could see new high-rise office or hundreds of housing units (11.10.15)

Before and after: See how the Tenderloin's skyline has changed in 8

There is no question that if San Francisco had one "forgotten" neighborhood,

it would be the Tenderloin. Perhaps no longer. Although the 31-square-block, predominately low-income neighborhood has long been synonymous with poverty and crime, the tide has begun to turn as tech offices transform nearby Mid-Market and new housing sprouts throughout San Francisco, the country's most competitive housing market.

McDermid, Riley "Before and after: See how the Tenderloin's skyline has changed in 8 years" 11.10.15

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Fisherman's Wharf hotel completes \$17M transformation from big brand to boutique

A Fisherman's Wharf hotel has just completed a multimillion-dollar renovation as part of its transformation from a <u>Hilton</u> (NYSE: HLT) hotel to a new, hip brand. It's part of a wave of hotels ditching big brands to attract young travelers looking for unique accommodations. The Pier 2620 Hotel wrapped up a \$17 million renovation of its 233 guest rooms, following the purchase of the hotel's operations and management by Fillmore Hospitality LLC.

Sciacca, Annie "Fisherman's Wharf hotel completes \$17M transformation from big brand to boutique" 11.10.15

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Does this sneak peek live up to all this Pacific Heights condo project's hype?

One of San Francisco's most-anticipated luxury condominium projects next year – Trumark Urban's The Pacific – will sit in one of the city's ritziest neighborhoods where new projects rarely see the light of day.

Weinberg, Cory "Does this sneak peek live up to all this Pacific Heights condo project's hype?" 11.10.15

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Buyer eyes biotech in expected acquisition of high-profile Peninsula highrise

A San Diego buyer will purchase the Centennial Towers project along Highway 101, hoping to market the remainder of the current 12-story building and a planned second tower to small and emerging biotech companies.

Phase 3 Properties Inc. is expected to close later this month on its acquisition of the twin highrise project from Myers Development, a South San Francisco city official said Monday. A purchase price hasn't been disclosed. Phase 3 declined to comment for this story, and Myers Development did not return an email message.

Leuty, Ron "Buyer eyes biotech in expected acquisition of high-profile Peninsula highrise" 11.9.15

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A sneak peak at CPMC's new Van Ness and Geary hospital under construction

For years, it appeared that <u>California Pacific Medical Center's</u> new campus at Van Ness and Geary would never become reality, but after many twists

and turns, the new 700,000-square-foot hospital structure is beginning to take final shape. A Lego-like skeleton of steel girders towers over nearby buildings and a small army of construction workers is increasing the structure's size at a rapid pace.

Rauber, Chris "A sneak peak at CPMC's new Van Ness and Geary hospital under construction" 11.9.15

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AEW Acquires Bridgeside Shopping Center in Alameda for \$48.5MM

13 suitors sent proposals to Los Angeles-based Cornerstone Real Estate Advisers for the Bridgeside Shopping Center in Alameda, and the 105,000 square foot center went to Boston-based AEW Capital Management for \$48.5 million, or \$462 per square foot, according to sources familiar with the transaction. The transaction underscores the short supply and high demand of Class A grocery-anchored shopping centers, especially in this submarket. Bridgeside Shopping Center, which is anchored by Nob Hills Foods and Pet Food Express, was purchased in an all-cash transaction on behalf of one of AEW's separate account investors.

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SKS and ProspectHill Buy Vacant Property in North San Jose for \$13MM

Two San Francisco-based firms have paid \$13 million, or \$200 per square foot, to acquire the roughly 65,000 square foot vacant commercial building located at 3901 North First Street in North San Jose, according to sources familiar with the transaction. The buyers of the asset are SKS Partners and ProspectHill Group. SKS declined to comment on the purchase price on the property when contacted for this story.

Peterson, Jon "SKS and ProspectHill Buy Vacant Property in North San Jose for \$13MM" 11.12.15

SKS and ProspectHill Buy Vacant Property in North San Jose for \$13MM (11.12.15)

BHV Plans \$150MM of Apartment Projects in Walnut Creek and Fremont

Danville-based BHV Centerstreet Properties will be starting soon on two new apartment projects in Walnut Creek and Fremont with a total

development cost of \$150 million. The project in Walnut Creek is the 178-unit The Landing. BHV is acting as a fee developer on this project. The actual owner of the property is Milwaukee, Wis.-based Northwestern Mutual. The life company is providing all of the \$70 million cost for this project through an equity investment.

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December 10, 2015

Hello Ms. Mack,

Thank you for our brief conversation at the conclusion of the first Public Scoping Meeting on the proposed Santana West Development. I am writing to request that, given your expertise as the Traffic Manager in San Jose Public Works, you become involved in the resolution of an existing and potentially much more serious traffic movement deficiency from eastbound Olin Avenue at its intersection with Winchester Boulevard. I am cc'ing David Keyon, John Tu, and Lesley Xavier in expectation that this written submittal will also be included in the public input addressed by the Santana West Environmental Impact Report and its alternatives, as well as being reflected in a revised project design for the proposed development.

Currently, Olin Avenue west of Winchester becomes three traffic lanes (one westbound and two eastbound) just easterly of Spar Avenue. When the two eastbound lanes reach Winchester, the left lane is a through-or-left-turn lane, with a left turn signal. The eastbound right lane is, unfortunately, also a through lane, besides being the only lane from which eastbound traffic on Olin can turn right/southbound onto Winchester towards 280. When cars in the right lane queueup, waiting for the green light to cross Winchester and enter Santana Row, there is no option for those needing to turn right to do so on red if there is a break in the southbound traffic on

Winchester.

Those exiting Santana Row by turning left at Olin onto southbound Winchester have a protected movement. Once the eastbound light turns green, the southbound right-turners from Olin are again delayed by the steady pedestrian movement crossing Winchester on the south side of the intersection. There is no pedestrian cross-walk on the north side of the intersection.

This situation will only be worsened if the Santana West development is approved as now designed. In addition to the existing eastbound traffic on Olin originating from Maplewood, Hanson and Spar Avenues, Federal Realty proposes to shift the Winchester Ranch Mobile Home Park/potential Pulte Homes-redevelopment traffic from Olsen Drive onto Olin. Representing potentially more of an impact on Olin and the adjacent single-family neighborhood to the north is the Santana West development's design, which empties traffic from two private streets and at least one parking garage onto Olin.

When publicly asked at a recent Winchester Orchard Neighborhood Association meeting whether the Santana West development would include widening the south side of eastbound Olin Avenue leading to Winchester, Seth Bland of Federal Realty replied **no**. His explanation was that the west side of the Olin/Winchester intersection is already offset from the Santana Row side of the intersection and widening the west side would only worsen the offset. This justification seems to be based on an assumption that any additional eastbound Olin traffic lanes would be going through to Santana Row, when in reality the deficiency in available traffic movements is onto southbound Winchester.

It is, of course, ironic that Federal Realty is identifying the offset nature of the Olin intersection as a limitation or problem, given that the west side of Olin's street alignment predates Federal Realty's design of the newer Santana Row Olin Avenue location.

Besides the need for at least one, if not two, right-turn lanes from eastbound Olin onto southbound Winchester (and perhaps newly-generated traffic demand warranting two left-turn lanes onto northbound Winchester), how is westbound through-traffic on Olin going to be accommodated, given the need for left-turn lanes into at least one parking garage, two private streets, and the Winchester Ranch/Pulte Homes main ingress/egress road? It should also be noted that there is currently no right turn-only lane from southbound Winchester onto either Olin or Olsen.

The City constructed double left-turn lanes from southbound Winchester into Olin and Olsen for Santana Row (currently one of the left-turn lanes at Olsen is blocked off during construction). How will the increased northbound traffic on Winchester needing to turn left into Santana West at Olsen and Olin be accommodated, given the existing single left-turn lanes at both intersections? Is additional right-of-way needed on the Santana West side of Winchester between Olin and the Winchester Mystery House property?

Perhaps the limited street capacity on Olin and Winchester justifies serious evaluation of a Santana West development alternative of much-reduced density, As you know, the current Federal Realty proposal is for construction at the maximum Floor Area Ratio of 2.0. There is no requirement that the City approve this density of development.

I look forward to your written response, evaluation and suggestions as to how the traffic-capacity deficiencies on Olin Avenue and Winchester Boulevard can be favorably resolved, if favorable

resolution is possible. Thank you for your attention to these concerns.

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To: Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>; Xavier, Lesley <Lesley.Xavier@sanjoseca.gov>; Tu, John <john.tu@sanjoseca.gov>;

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Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 6:01 PM

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Re: Addendum to Concerns Re: Olin & Winchester Intersection (Santana West File No. PDC14-068)

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12/23/15

Hello Ms. Mack,

This email is intended to be a brief addendum to my December 10, 2015 email expressing my concerns about Federal Realty's representative stating that the Santana West development will not involve widening of Olin at Winchester necessary to accommodate additional traffic from the new commercial uses. I have attached my original email to you regarding this issue. Thank you for your December 15 response confirming that the traffic report will evaluate this intersection. Please also include the new information in this email in the traffic report evaluation of the Olin and Winchester intersection.

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Thank you Mr. Keyon for your December 16, 2015 email confirming that Ms. Mack's and my previous Olin/Winchester email communications have been forwarded to the environmental consultant for inclusion in the Draft EIR. Please also forward this December 23, 2015 email to the EIR consultant and have the traffic consultant include it in the traffic study regarding my December 15 Public Hearing comments noted above and the following related information.

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Santana West's Potential Impacts on Hanson & Stevens Creek Intersection (PDC14-068)

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Sun 12/27/2015 3:27 PM

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12/27/2015

Dear City of San Jose Staff Members,

Given the City of San Jose City Council's intention to not improve the Stevens Creek and Winchester intersection, it is very clear that the Santana West commercial development, if approved at the density now proposed, will shift northbound traffic heading for westbound and eastbound Stevens Creek Boulevard onto the Winchester Manor Subdivision's single family residential streets of Spar and Hanson Avenues. Spar and Hanson merge and only Hanson connects to Stevens Creek.

There are potential alternatives to these adverse traffic impacts on the residential neighborhood northerly of the Santana West site.

Although a new traffic signal is planned for Henry Avenue and Stevens Creek, Henry does not connect to Olsen Drive

and the Santana West property. It could be connected to the Winchester Ranch Mobile Home Park, either now or if the redevelopment of the mobile home property by Pulte Homes is approved. This potential redevelopment approval and necessary street connection(s) to Stevens Creek should be considered now in the Santana West EIR. Connecting the Winchester Ranch/Pulte Homes property to Stevens Creek via Henry would reduce the traffic impacts on Olin, Maplewood, Hanson and Spar. These new traffic impacts are caused by Federal Realty's proposed street design plan which ends Olsen Drive west of the mobile home park and proposes the main ingress and egress to the Winchester Ranch property via a new street accessible only from Olin.

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Besides the newly proposed primary connection to Winchester Ranch from Olin, the Santana

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My home is located at the corner of Hanson and Spar with driveway access only from Hanson. Traffic-wise, how will the residents of my home enter and exit the residential driveway when Santana West traffic is stopped and stacks up on Hanson due to the new Stevens Creek traffic signal? There is currently no such stacking or access problem.

There will also be increased traffic noise impacting the existing single family residential neighborhood.

When conducting the traffic analysis of the Hanson and Stevens Creek intersection, please note the following:

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When not blocked by eastbound Stevens Creek traffic, these westbound left-turners from Hanson frequently have to go part-way across Stevens Creek, stop and wait in the center lane for westbound Stevens Creek traffic to provide an opening. This movement is made more difficult by the frequent parking of car-carrier trucks in the center lane as they unload vehicles for the existing car dealership in Santa Clara on the north side of Stevens Creek. When complaints have been submitted to City of Santa Clara Planning code enforcement about the illegally-parked car-carrier trucks, the response is that those trucks are unloading for San Jose dealerships.

2) These northbound Spar and Hanson drivers trying to turn left onto westbound Stevens Creek frequently stack-up as they wait for westbound Stevens Creek drivers who are stopped at the Hanson intersection and signaling a left-turn onto Hanson. With increasing frequency, these westbound Stevens Creek drivers signaling a left-turn at Hanson do not complete that turning

movement. Instead they make a u-turn and head back east on Stevens Creek so as to make a right-turn onto southbound Winchester. This is clearly due to the overflow stacking and slowclearing of the left-turn lane from westbound Stevens Creek onto southbound Winchester. Instead of waiting for additional cycles of that signal, these Stevens Creek drivers proceed westbound through the Winchester intersection and then do the u-turn at Hanson.

- 3) Those drivers westbound on Stevens Creek who do intend to complete the left-turn onto Hanson are frequently blocked by eastbound Stevens Creek traffic. In my twenty-three years living near this intersection, I have seen frequent accidents by drivers who attempt to turn through moving eastbound traffic, especially when some of the eastbound lanes are stopped but other eastbound lanes are still moving.
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- 6) Although there is a bus transit stop on the Santa Clara (north) side of Stevens Creek which is located just east of the Hanson intersection, there is no marked cross-walk for pedestrians crossing Stevens Creek between Winchester on the east and Henry on the west. I have seen at least two pedestrians who had been hit while trying to cross Stevens Creek at Hanson. There is also a bus transit stop on the San Jose side of Stevens Creek just east of Maplewood Avenue with no cross-walk there.
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The Santana West EIR and Planning staff report should include evaluation of the alternative of reduced cumulative Floor Area Ratio if the development is to be approved as only commercial. A reduced FAR alternative would generate less traffic with less adverse air quality and decreased noise impacts. This would cause less of an adverse impact on the existing residential neighborhood northerly of the Century Theater site.

Another alternative that should be evaluated is development consistent with San Jose's Village concept, which would encourage a mixed use development on the Century Theater site that includes residential units. This second alternative would disperse rather than concentrate the

direction and timing of traffic generated by the development.

Douglas V. Handerson 320 Spar Avenue San Jose, CA 95117

Santana West Planned Development Rezoning Inputs

Leung

Mon 1/4/2016 4:35 PM

To:Tu, John <john.tu@sanjoseca.gov>; Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>;

Dear Project Managers,

Regarding Santana West Planned Development Rezoning (PDC14-068), I would like to offer the following inputs.

Commercial building not complementing existing historical buildings:

Since we have designated the Winchester House and the Century 21 Theater as historical buildings, it makes the most sense to designate the surrounding area as a park. It is so odd to have low to mid rise square office buildings with lots of glass windows right next to these historical buildings. It just doesn't look right.

A Neighborhood Park is in need:

The only park for 95117 zip code is the Starbird Park which is on the other sides of Williams St and San Tomas Expwy. A neighborhood park would also make sense.

Conformance to the neighborhood:

South of Stevens Creeks Blvd and along the west side of Winchester Blvd all the way to Olin Ave are all one story commercial buildings with greeneries around the buildings and trees along the walk path. It would be odd to have low or mid rise buildings that have 15 ft set-back after Olin and the absence of trees and shrubs. These multi-story buildings also block the Winter suns from reaching the residences along the north side of Olin Ave. It would be more conforming if only one story buildings are allowed.

Contrasting yet complementing:

A park with lots of greens will complement the neighborhood and make a stark contrast to the busy business district of Santana Row across Winchester Blvd. If any commercial buildings are allowed South of Olin, it should be one story with underground car park. I believe a more relaxed atmosphere for this development with perhaps an indoor/outdoor cafe, an amphitheater, and may be a neighborhood grocery store such as Trader Joe's would complement the overly busy Santana Row very well. It would also avoid the traffic problem that will be created by housing office buildings.

Increasing the employment to residence ratio necessary here?

Would 3,000 to 4,000 jobs created here help San Jose's employment to residence ratio and by how much? Does it have to happen in this small pocket of land? What kind of jobs they are thinking about bringing here where First Street, Moorpark Ave and other designated industrial and commercial area cannot take? Creating commercial space don't always equate to creating jobs.

I hope you would consider the above suggestions seriously in your approval process.

Sincerely, HC Leung Owner of 33 years, 321 Spar Ave, SJ, 95117.

RE: Santana West File No. PDC14-068 (Correction)

The Lindas

Wed 12/30/2015 2:07 PM

To:Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>; Tu, John <john.tu@sanjoseca.gov>;

Cc:Linda & Linda

Sorry, I accidently sent my draft and have updated it appropriately per below. Sorry for the confusion.

Also, we hope you email us the updates from the EIR as they are available rather than for us to wait for a meeting to discuss. Thanks.

Linda Schreiber & Linda Hlavin 458 Maplewood Ave San Jose, CA 95117

From: The Lindas [mailto:]

Sent: Wednesday, December 30, 2015 1:57 PM

To: 'David.Keyon@sanjoseca.gov'; 'John.Tu@sanjoseca.gov'

Cc: Linda & Linda

Subject: Santana West File No. PDC14-068

David,

Like Daphna Wolfe's comments below, we live next to her on Maplewood and our backyard is on the boundary of the Santana West project. We would like to add some additional feedback for you to consider regarding the EIR and Santana West project:

- 1. Heavy traffic flow down between Maplewood and Olin. Also, turns made at that intersection is bad now with lack of visibility especially when vehicles are parked on Olin near the corner. Also, our street (Maplewood) is by permit parking only so technically people looking for parking can not do so but this doesn't seem to be enforced plus Maplewood is often used for overflow traffic from Santana Row.
- 2. For the traffic study, as was suggested in a neighborhood meeting, San Jose should use updated technology to measure real time traffic flow to give a more accurate picture of what is happening today. Also, special events at Santana Row always create heavy traffic volume and parking nightmares in the neighborhood today and this should also be considered in the future.
- 3. As Daphna mentioned below, the setback distance doesn't seem ample enough and to reiterate there should be a minimum of 60 ft. setback.
- 4. Currently there are tall trees on the edge of the property behind us to buffer the sight and sound of the Santana West property. We would hope those trees remain there as a buffer to help shield our backyards from the high rise buildings to be erected behind us.
- 5. Private shuttle services should be considered to get people from the neighborhood to Santana Row

- 6. We understand the Flames restaurant will be gone. It's been such an establishment of the community, we would hope Santana West would provide them an option to stay or move into a newer bldg, at a discounted rate.
- 7. Suggestion for a potential grocer is Trader Joes as it fits the neighborhood nicely. Don't know what will happen to Safeway on Stevens Creek and Winchester but it's also a great store for the area.

Linda & Linda

From: Daphna Woolfe **Subject:** Santana west

Dear Mr. Keyon,

This letter is in response to the EIR for Santana West. As a homeowner on Maplewood Ave. my neighbors and I have some concerns unique to our proximity to the project, that should be considered.

The first concerns deal with additional traffic on Olin and Winchester. Even though our street is permit protected, the signage is poor and many drivers turn left off of Olin onto Maplewood, not realizing that it is a dead-end with permit parking only. This creates safety hazards, as people speed into and out of the end of the street. This will only increase as people looking for parking or coming in and out of the new lots, look for a back way out of the congestion on Winchester. Another traffic related issue is the congestion on Winchester and our ability to get on and off of Maplewood during peak hours. During high traffic times, this can already be an issue. We had an incident with my son, when he needed to get to an emergency room for asthma and it took 15 minutes just to go 1/4 of a mile. Emergency services could not get to us as well. With thousands of new vehicles coming to the new buildings at Santana Row and Santana West, how can you assure our safety?

The next issue deals with height and set backs of the new building. We do appreciate the stepped back building heights, but the set backs should, at the very least, match the 60 foot set-backs at the Reserve Apartment project. This would allow for a larger green belt to buffer the new development from existing homes and allow for the road for Winchester Ranch. The Reserve Apartment project has a triple layer of trees in order to protect the existing homeowners from the site lines of the project. This seems to be a minimum for a project of this size. The current 44 foot set back is simply not enough for a buffer and a road. Also, the height on Winchester is excessive for the area, creating a "tunnel effect" for pedestrians, which ultimately will not be in keeping with the urban village concept.

With the current 25 million vehicle trips in our area a year, which only promises to rise as more and more buildings come on line and Valley Fair expands by 40%, this will directly affect the air quality in this area. What can or will be done to mitigate the poor air quality created by these additional trips?

We are also concerned with additional noise created by air conditioning units, garbage units pick-up and delivery trucks, maintenance issues, and car noise, such as tires screeching, cars running and auto alarms. This is off particular concern, as the parking garage is directly behind our home.

Sincerely,

Daphna Woolfe

Daphna Woolfe Third Grade Teacher Ormondale



Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement HARRY FREITAS, DIRECTOR

"SANTANA WEST" PLANNED DEVELOPMENT REZONING & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FILE NO. PDC14-068

Community and Public Scoping Meeting Thursday, November 19, 2015

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Dedicated to Preserving San Jose's Architectural Heritage

December 21, 2015

Via Email – <u>david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov</u> David Keyon Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement 200 E Santa Clara Street -- 5th Floor San Jose CA 95113

Re: File No. PDC14-068

Dear David:

The Preservation Action Council of San Jose (PAC-SJ) was founded in 1990 and is dedicated to preserving and promoting the continued use of historically significant resources in San Jose, and to encouraging quality new design. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the scope of the Santana West EIR.

A complete historic analysis should be performed for the Century 22 and 23 buildings to determine their eligibility for historic designation. If the buildings do not reach the level of official historic designation, the EIR should include mitigations to commemorate and appropriately document the structures so that a permanent public record is available.

Also, a complete historic analysis should be performed on the Flames Restaurant building, the former Bob's Big Boy Restaurant. This building is a remarkably well-preserved and exceedingly rare example of the prototype that Armet & Davis created for Bob Wian and his Big Boy restaurants in 1958. This may be the only 1958 Bob's prototype building left in Northern California and perhaps the most intact example in all of California. Again, depending on the EIR findings, the document should include mitigations to properly commemorate and document the building.

Although traffic impacts are not a direct part of our mission we do have concerns regarding potential negative impacts to the area. Traffic congestion will make it more difficult for people to get to the site and visit the restored and reused historic Century 21 building. Appropriate traffic levels should be established so that whatever form of transit people use they will be able to comfortably access this

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Brian K. Grayson **Executive Director**

C: John Tu



Scott Brady Land Agent

408.282.7543 (Office) Scott.Brady@pge.com

Land Management

111 Almaden Boulevard Room 814 San Jose, CA 95113

December 2, 2015

Mr. David Keyon City of San Jose Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement 200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower San Jose, CA 95113-1905

Subject:

Notice of Preparation of Draft Environmental Impact Report

Santana West Development Project and the I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation

Development Policy, File PDC14-068

Dear Mr. Keyon:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Santana West Development Project and the I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy. PG&E has the following comments to offer.

- 1. PG&E owns and operates gas and electric facilities located within the project area. To promote the safe and reliable maintenance and operation of utility facilities, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has mandated specific clearance requirements between utility facilities and surrounding objects or construction activities. To ensure compliance with these standards, project proponents should coordinate with PG&E early in the development of their project plans. Any proposed development plans should provide for unrestricted utility access, and prevent easement encroachments that might impair the safe and reliable maintenance and operation of PG&E's facilities. Developers should contact PG&E at www.pge.com/en/mybusiness/services/building/index.page or call 877-743-7782.
- 2. Developers will be responsible for the costs associated with the relocation of existing PG&E facilities to accommodate their proposed development. Because facilities relocations require long lead times and are not always feasible, developers should be encouraged to consult with PG&E as early in their planning stages as possible.
- 3. Relocations of PG&E's electric transmission and substation facilities (50,000 volts and above) may also require formal approval from the California Public Utilities Commission. If required, this approval process may take up to two years to complete. Proponents with development plans that may affect such electric transmission facilities should be referred to PG&E for additional information and assistance in the development of their project schedules.

- 4. Please note that continued development consistent with your General Plan will have a cumulative impact on PG&E's gas systems and may require on-site and off-site additions to the facilities that supply these services. Because utility facilities are operated as an integrated system, the presence of an existing gas transmission or distribution facility does not necessarily mean the facility has capacity to connect new loads.
- 5. Expansion of distribution and transmission lines and related facilities is a necessary consequence of growth and development. In addition to adding new distribution feeders, the range of electric system improvements needed to accommodate growth may include upgrading existing substation and transmission line equipment, expanding existing substations to their ultimate buildout capacity, and building new substations and interconnecting transmission lines. Comparable upgrades or additions to accommodate additional load on the gas system may include facilities such as regulator stations, odorizer stations, valve lots, distribution and transmission lines.
- 6. We recommend that environmental documents for proposed development projects include adequate evaluation of cumulative impacts to utility systems, the utility facilities needed to serve those developments, and any potential environmental issues associated with extending utility service to the proposed project. This will assure the project's compliance with CEQA and reduce potential delays to the project schedule.
- 7. PG&E remains committed to working with the City of San Jose to provide timely, reliable and cost effective gas and electric service to the area. Please contact me at 408-282-7543 if you have any questions regarding PG&E's comments. We would also appreciate being copied on future correspondence regarding this subject as this project develops.
- 8. The California Constitution vests in the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) exclusive power and sole authority with respect to the regulation of privately owned or investor owned public utilities such as PG&E. This exclusive power extends to all aspects of the location, design, construction, maintenance and operation of public utility facilities. Nevertheless, the CPUC has provisions for regulated utilities to work closely with local governments and give due consideration to their concerns. PG&E must balance our commitment to provide due consideration to local concerns with our obligation to provide the public with a safe, reliable, cost-effective energy supply in compliance with the rules and tariffs of the CPUC.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the preparation of the DEIR.

Sincerely,

Scott Brady Land Agent

cc (electronically): Anthony Lin, File

County of Santa Clara

Roads and Airports Department

101 Skyport Drive San Jose, California 95110-1302 1-408-573-2400



December 4, 2015

David Keyon
Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement
City of San Jose
200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower
San Jose, CA 95113-1905

SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of Draft Environmental Impact Report

Santana West Development Project and the I-280/Winchester/Moorpark

Transportation Development Policy

Dear Mr. Keyon:

The County of Santa Clara Roads and Airports Department is submitting the following comments regarding the preparation of an environmental impact report for the project cited above.

A Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) should be prepared for the proposed project following the latest adopted Congestion Management Program (CMP) TIA Guidelines to identify significant impacts for the DEIR. County requests, at a minimum, to include the following intersections for level of service and queuing analysis.

- San Tomas Expressway at Moorpark Avenue, Stevens Creek Boulevard, Saratoga Avenue, Homestead Road, El Camino Real
- Lawrence Expressway at Homestead Road

The analysis should be conducted using most recent counts and County signal timing for County study intersections. Please contact Ananth Prasad at (408) 494-1342 or Ananth.Prasad@rda.sccgov.org for this information.

The preliminary *Comprehensive County Expressway Planning Study 2040* project list should be consulted for a list of mitigation measures for significant impacts to the expressways. Should the preliminary *Expressway Plan 2040* project list not include an improvement that would mitigate a significant impact, the TIA should identify mitigation measures that would address the significant impact. Mitigation measures listed in the TIA should be incorporated into the EIR document.

Please provide a copy of the DEIR, TIA and future project related reports for County review.

Santana West & I-280/Winchester/Moorpark TDP Project December 4, 2015 Page 2 of 2

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Preparation of the DEIR. If you have any questions about these comments, please contact Aruna Bodduna at 408-573-2462 or at aruna.bodduna@rda.sccgov.org.

Sincerely,

Dawn S. Cameron

County Transportation Planner

cc: MA, AP



Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement HARRY FREITAS, DIRECTOR

December 15, 2015

David Keyon Environmental Project Manager Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement 200 East Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113

RE: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Santana West Development Project and I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy (File # PDC14-068)

Dear Mr. Keyon:

The City of San Jose Historic Landmarks Commission (Commission) is an advisory body to the City Council and City Manager on matters of historic preservation. The subject project site includes the City Landmark Century 21 Theater (Century Theater), and is directly adjacent to the Winchester House City Landmark (Winchester House).

The Commission discussed the Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Santana West Development Project and I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy at its December 2, 2015 meeting. In a 6-0-0 decision, the Commission voted to forward this comment letter to the Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement.

The Commission is disappointed by the option to remove the façade and roof of the Century Theater, as the Commission feels this proposal does not honor the spirit and intent of the City Landmark Designation. The Commission offers the following recommendations regarding the scope and content of information related to cultural resources to be included in the Environmental Impact Report:

- 1. Analyze potential ownership, uses and programming of the Century Theater building. Analyze how different ownership, uses and programming would impact the integrity of the building.
- 2. Analyze pedestrian circulation patterns as they relate to the pedestrian experience of the Century Theater and Winchester House.
- 3. Analyze massing and visual impacts of the new buildings on the Century Theater and Winchester House, with special emphasis on the impact to the setting of the Winchester House from new construction.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Preparation. The Commission looks forward to reviewing the Draft Environmental Impact Report.

Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

HARRY FREITAS, DIRECTOR

Sincerely,

Edward Saum

Chair

City of San Jose Historic Landmarks Commission



Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

HARRY FREITAS, DIRECTOR

"SANTANA WEST" PLANNED DEVELOPMENT REZONING & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FILE NO. PDC14-068

Community and Public Scoping Meeting

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Santana West Development Project - File No. PDC14-068

Kirk Vartan

Mon 1/4/2016 12:45 PM

To: Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>;

Cc:Kirk Vartan ·

To: David Keyon, SJ Planner II

Hello,

I would like to submit my comments and requests for an EIR scope of any project developed on Santana West.

First off, while this project is targeted at almost 1M sqft of office space, it is very possible that a significant percentage of this site will be used for residential. I would ask that a couple versions of the EIR look at not just what the applicant submitted, but also what the applicant submitted in that past as a "signature project" last year. I think it is very important to see what the area issues are when there is commercial, housing, or a mix of the two. Spending time to do both now will help us all in the future.

Please make sure the EIR looks at:

- Validating traffic assumptions from the past, specifically the Valley Fair expansion, the BAREC development, the Santana Row development (over 10 years old now), the Magliocco development, and any other projects that have impacted the area in the past ten years. My reason for asking for this is based on the quality of the data. The city looks at all of the projects and gives an estimate. Is this estimate ever validated? How does this track over time? Are the conditions better or worse than projected?
- The background traffic data has been in place for decades, and much of the new construction has happened over the past 15 years. We need to validate this. And not validate this during the Tues, Wed, Thurs two hours of rush hour time. We need to validate this in a more holistic way. We need to get car counts for weeks at a time and look at the sustained volume as well as peak volume.
- How is the new 880/Stevens Creek interchange affecting the flow of traffic?
- Where is green space and park land that will service this area?
- Can you look at Santana Park being "operated" by Federal Reality?
- How is circulation being evaluated?
- What new technologies are being envisioned in this area?
- How will current technology, much developed in this region, be utilized to help circulation, mobility, and quality of life?
- What strategies are being looked at for mobility in the area?
- What are the thresholds for acceptable congestion?

- What alternative transportation solutions are being looked at?
- How will a transit hub integrate with the area?
- What is the expected growth for the Winchester/Stevens Creek area?
- What is the maximum allowable throughput of the Winchester/Stevens Creek area?
- How is traffic being monitored and efficiently managed?
- What sensor technology can help manage traffic flow in the area?
- Measure traffic at all times of the day (not just three days a week for two hours)
- How can urban ag be integrated into any development?
- How are we addressing noise pollution in more progressive ways?
- How are we addressing air pollution in more progressive ways?
- Look at how above ground walk-ways might ease congestion.
- How is quality of life addressed in any project?
- How will next generation services like Uber and Lyft be accommodated in a new project?
- How is the automobile be de-incentivized?

Please confirm that you received this message.

Thank you,

Kirk Vartan District 6



November 18, 2015

City of San Jose Department of Planning 200 E. Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113

Attention: David Keyon

Subject: City File No. PDC14-068 / Santana West and I-280/Winchester/Moorpark

Transportation Development Policy

Dear Mr. Keyon:

Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) staff have reviewed the TIA Notification Form and NOP for 970,000 square feet of office and 29,000 square feet of retail at the southwest corner of Winchester Boulevard and Olin Avenue. We have the following comments.

Land Use

VTA supports the proposed land use intensification on this site, strategically located on the regional transportation network and served by the VTA Local Bus Line 23 and Limited Line 323 along Stevens Creek Boulevard, and VTA Local Bus Line 60 along South Winchester Boulevard. VTA is also planning to implement Rapid 523 enhanced bus service as a near term improvement and early deliverable of the Stevens Creek Boulevard Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project, , with the closest planned stop less than a quarter away from the project site at Stevens Creek Boulevard and South Winchester Boulevard. Additionally, by increasing office and retail uses in close proximity to the mix of uses already built in a pedestrian-friendly design at Santana Row, the project will contribute to the "synergy" of uses in the area that will result in a greater percentage of trips accomplished by walking and fewer driving trips during the day.

Stevens Creek Boulevard and Winchester Boulevard are identified as Corridors in VTA's Community Design & Transportation (CDT) Program Cores, Corridors and Station Areas framework, which shows VTA and local jurisdiction priorities for supporting concentrated development in the County. The CDT Program was developed through an extensive community outreach strategy in partnership with VTA Member Agencies, and was endorsed by all 15 Santa Clara County cities and the county.

Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) Report

The October 2014 version of the VTA TIA Guidelines, which can be found at http://www.vta.org/cmp/tia-guidelines, include updated procedures for documenting auto trip reductions, analyzing non-auto modes, and evaluating mitigation measures and improvements to address project impacts and effects on the transportation system. For any questions about the

City of San Jose November 18, 2015 Page 2

updated TIA Guidelines, please contact Robert Swierk of the VTA Planning and Program Development Division at 408-321-5949 or Robert.Swierk@vta.org.

Trip Generation Assumptions

The assumptions about the project's trip generation and any trip reductions for the existing use should be clearly documented. The proposed project is described in the NOP and TIA Notification as 970,000 square feet of office space and 29,000 square feet of retail space replacing two existing movie theaters. Please see sections 2.1 (6) and 7.2 of the updated 2014 TIA Guidelines for guidance on trip generation assumptions for project sites with existing development rights.

I-280/Winchester/Moorpark Transportation Development Policy

The NOP notes that, "In addition to the Santana West development, the EIR will evaluate implementation of a Transportation Development Policy (TDP) to fund potential interchange improvements at Interstate 280, Winchester Boulevard, and Moorpark Avenue to address area traffic impacts." (p. 4) VTA supports the City's direction to evaluate the implementation of a TDP for the interchange improvements, but also encourages the City to pursue the implementation of an Area Development Policy (ADP) for the overall Santana Row/Tri-Villages area which could fund a broad range of multimodal improvements. This could include improvements to offset the effects of increased auto congestion on transit travel times on Stevens Creek Boulevard and Winchester Boulevard, such as transit priority measures and/or contributions to VTA's Rapid 523 project (see further comments below).

Potential Congestion Impacts on Transit Travel Times

The Transportation analyses in the TIA and DEIR should address any potential impacts that increased motor vehicle traffic and congestion associated with the project may have on transit travel times, particularly in the Stevens Creek Boulevard corridor. While VTA is supportive of increasing development densities along this corridor, increased congestion could degrade the schedule reliability of transit and increase travel times, making transit a less attractive option for travelers in the corridor. If increased transit delay is found, transit priority measures, such as dedicated transit lanes, queue jump lanes, transit priority signal timing, and/or improvements to transit stops and passenger amenities, would constitute appropriate offsetting measures.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Accommodations

VTA recommends that the DEIR and TIA address Pedestrian and Bicycle Accommodations in its analysis of Transportation/ Circulation impacts of the project. Such analysis should consider the completeness and quality of the pedestrian and bicycle network on roadways and intersections adjacent to and nearby the project site. See sections 6.4 and 9.3 of the VTA TIA Guidelines for further details.

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The corners of S Winchester Blvd/Olin Ave and S Winchester Blvd/Olsen Dr adjacent to the project site have wide turning radii which encourages higher auto speeds and reduces pedestrian comfort and safety. VTA recommends squaring off these corners or otherwise reducing the speed of right turns at these locations to facilitate pedestrian access to the site. In addition, VTA recommends that the City work with the project applicant to install the missing crosswalks on the north side of S Winchester Blvd/Olin Ave and the south side of S Winchester Blvd/Olsen Dr.

VTA also recommends that the City require bicycle parking consistent with City of San Jose bicycle parking standards as a Condition of Approval for the project. VTA supports bicycling as an important transportation mode and thus recommends inclusion of conveniently located bicycle parking for the project. Bicycle parking facilities can include bicycle lockers or secure indoor parking for all-day storage and bicycle racks for short-term parking. VTA's Bicycle Technical Guidelines provide guidance for estimating supply, siting and design for bicycle parking facilities. This document may be downloaded from http://www.vta.org/projects-and-programs/planning/bikes-bicycle-technical-guidelines-btg.

Transportation Demand Management/Trip Reduction

In order to reduce the number of single occupant vehicle trips generated by the project, VTA recommends that the City and project sponsor consider a comprehensive Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program for the office portion of this project. VTA notes that such programs can be more effective when they include a vehicle trip reduction target, third-party monitoring of trip generation upon project completion and a Lead Agency enforcement/penalty structure.

Effective TDM programs that may be applicable to the project include:

- * Parking pricing and parking cash-out programs
- * Public-private partnerships or employer contributions to improved transit service to the area
- * Transit fare incentives such as free or discounted transit passes on a continuing basis
- * Bicycle lockers and bicycle racks
- * Showers and clothes lockers for bicycle commuters
- * Preferentially located carpool parking
- * Employee carpool matching services
- * Parking for car-sharing vehicles

Freeway Analysis

Based on the project's location, there may be impacts to one or more freeway segments. If the freeway analysis indicates significant impacts based on CMP criteria, VTA suggests early coordination with the appropriate agencies in identifying potential mitigation measures and opportunities for voluntary contributions to regional transportation improvements in or near the impacted facility in the latest Valley Transportation Plan (VTP).

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Roadway Connectivity

The NOP notes that, "As proposed, the project would vacate the Olsen Drive right-of-way within the project boundary, converting it to a private street, and realign the road. Currently, the roadway is curved and would be realigned to make it straight... Because Olsen Drive would no longer connect through the project site to the residential neighborhood to the west, a new roadway would be constructed along the western property line that would connect Olsen Drive (west of the project site) to Olin Avenue." (p. 4) VTA recommends that the City work with the applicant to improve connectivity for vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists in the vicinity of the project site, and include an analysis of connectivity in the TIA and DEIR.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please call me at (408) 321-5784.

Sincerely,

Roy Molseed

Senior Environmental Planner

cc: Karen Mack, City of San Jose Patricia Maurice, Caltrans Brian Brandert, Caltrans

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December 4, 2015

City of San Jose Department of Planning 200 E. Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113

Attention: David Keyon

Subject: City File No. PDC14-068 / Santana West and I-280/Winchester/Moorpark

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Cumulative Transit Analysis

VTA recommends that the DEIR include a cumulative analysis of the impacts of vehicle traffic congestion on transit travel times and reliability, particularly in the Stevens Creek Boulevard corridor. This analysis should take into account the effects of the proposed project along with other approved and pending projects in the vicinity, such as the Valley Fair Expansion, Santana Row Expansion and 350 Winchester Boulevard Mixed Use projects. This recommendation is based on the updated 2014 VTA *TIA Guidelines*, Section 9.2 (Transit Analysis) and Chapter 11 (Future Year Scenarios).

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Sincerely,

Roy Molseed

Senior Environmental Planner

cc: Karen Mack, City of San Jose Patricia Maurice, Caltrans Brian Brandert, Caltrans

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Dear Mr. Keyon, 1/3/16

This letter is in response to the EIR for Santana West. As a homeowner on Maplewood Ave. my neighbors and I have some concerns unique to our proximity to the project, that should be considered.

The first concerns deal with additional traffic on Olin and Winchester. Even though our street is permit protected, the signage is poor and many drivers turn left off of Olin onto Maplewood, not realizing that it is a dead-end with permit parking only. This creates safety hazards, as people speed into and out of the end of the street. This will only increase as people looking for parking or coming in and out of the new lots, look for a back way out of the congestion on Winchester. Another traffic related issue is the congestion on Winchester and our ability to get on and off of Maplewood during peak hours. During high traffic times, this can already be an issue. We had an incident with my son, when he needed to get to an emergency room for asthma and it took 15 minutes just to go 1/4 of a mile. Emergency services could not get to us as well. With thousands of new vehicles coming to the new buildings at Santana Row and Santana West, how can you assure the safety of the neighborhood? As more and more office buildings, retail and residential come on line in this immediate area, with 25 million people coming here a year at present, how will the city and developers think far enough into the future to plan for the massive increase in vehicles trips through the Winchester and Stevens Creek intersection, while at the same time making this pedestrian and bike friendly? Currently the surrounding neighborhoods are not connected to the larger malls and developments, as Stevens Creek is not hospitable to walk down, nor is it safe to cross. Public transportation simply cannot and will not be able to handle the current traffic, nor the dramatic increase in traffic created by all of the expansion.

The next issue deals with height and set backs of the new building. We do appreciate the stepped back building heights, but the set backs should, at the very least, match the 60 foot set-backs at the Reserve Apartment project. This would allow for a larger green belt to buffer the new development from existing homes and allow for the road for Winchester Ranch. The Reserve Apartment project has a triple layer of trees in order to protect the existing homeowners from the site lines of the project. This seems to be a minimum for a project of this size. The current 44 foot set back is simply not enough for a buffer and a road. Also, the height on Winchester is excessive for the area, creating a "tunnel effect" for pedestrians, which ultimately will not be in keeping with the urban village concept.

With the current 25 million vehicle trips in our area a year, which only promises to rise as more and more buildings come on line and Valley Fair expands by 40%, this will directly affect the air quality in this area. What can or will be done to mitigate the poor air quality created by these additional trips?

We are also concerned with additional noise created by air conditioning units, garbage units pick-up and delivery trucks, maintenance issues, and car noise, such as tires screeching, cars running and auto alarms. This is off particular concern, as the parking garage is directly behind our home.

Sincerely, Daphna Woolfe

Santana West EIR

Bill 7ahrt

Fri 11/20/2015 2:30 PM

To: Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>;

Cc:Alan Berger

Dear David:

Thank you for chatting with me last evening. It was very helpful. I particularly found your concept of induced traffic intriguing and challenging.

With further time for thought, here are a few follow-ups:

- This area is a traffic destination a terminus with a mixture including employment and residential which will occur regardless of congestion. So, as a mixed-profile terminus, rather than a central artery, there may not be as much induced traffic from provisioning an adequate flow (as by vertical grade separation).
- You and I have differing opinions about the aesthetics of the elevated portion of a vertical grade separation, but these are presently just opinions. (The third, sub-surface portion wouldn't be of particular concern, of course.)
- You mentioned that vertical grade separation is used primarily for freeway-style traffic. But that doesn't mean it couldn't' be used as well here for local traffic. A nearby example of highly successful vertical grade separation to relieve local destination congestion is at San Francisco International Airport ("SFO"), where arriving and departing vehicular road traffic is vertically separated, thereby greatly facilitating local flow and alleviating congestion in a situation not at all unlike ours here at Valley Fair/Santana Row.
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Which brings me to my final point for now: there is little data about the above points for our Valley Fair/Santana Row area and environs. So, I would ask and urge that as part of your analysis you develop objective data to illuminate the viability of a verticallygrade-separated solution to serve this area over the next 30-60 years and beyond. Given the semi-permanency of such physical infrastructure, a shorter time frame would not be responsible. And I submit that you will find that no other solution will ultimately work for this future "New Downtown" for San José.

Thank you!

Looking forward, I remain

Yours very truly,

Bill Zahrt

President, Villas at Santana Park HOA

RE: Santana West EIR

Shannon George

Thu 12/3/2015 3:34 PM

To:Le, Thai-Chau <Thai-Chau.Le@sanjoseca.gov>;

Thank you.

From: Le, Thai-Chau [mailto:Thai-Chau.Le@sanjoseca.gov]

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 3:33 PM

To: Shannon George

Subject: Fw: Santana West EIR

From: Bill Zahrt

Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2015 3:24 PM

To: Keyon, David Cc: Alan Berger

Subject: Re: Santana West EIR

Hi again, David.

In view of the long-term traffic impact of the Volar project

http://www.bizjournals.com/sanjose/news/2015/11/30/exclusive-25-story-mixed-use-tower-proposedfor.html#g1

> Volar, a 25-story mixeduse tower, is proposed for edge of ...

Meet Volar, a 25-story mixed-use tower proposed for 350 S. Winchester Ave., that's definitely outside the proverbial box. (The word means "to fly" in ...

Read more...

would hope to hear your comments on this as well at the Additional PDC14-068 NOP Community Meeting on December 15th.

I would also request that Volar, etc., be addressed and included in the Draft EIR.

Thank you again for your help and consideration! See you on the 15th.

Best regards,

-Bill Z.

On Nov 20, 2015, at 5:52 PM, Bill Zahrt < bill zahrt@villas-hoa.org > wrote:

Thank you, David.

Best regards,

--Bill

On Nov 20, 2015, at 4:40 PM, Keyon, David david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov wrote:

Dear Bill,

Thank you for your comments. I will forward them to our traffic review section and include them in the Draft EIR.

Regards,

David Keyon

Planner, Environmental Review City of San Jose (408) 535-7898 <u>david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov</u>

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PDC14-068 Santana West Project

November 19, 2015 Community Meeting and EIR Scoping Meeting Cypress Community Center

Approximately 60 members of the public attended.

Traffic Analysis/Transportation

- How does the City evaluate cumulative traffic of other developments in the area when they have not been built, such as Santana Row, the Reserve, and developments in adjacent cities?
- Why does the City evaluate traffic only during peak hours? How come the City does not analyze traffic on weekends, holidays, or non-peak hours? Should study school traffic and noon-time traffic going to Santana Row.
- Whose traffic model does the city use when preparing the traffic analysis?
- National average? What are these for intersections?
- How many cars are too many cars for a road?
- Does the City look at the neighborhood demographic when planning for multi-modal improvements?
- Intersections should not be protected. Protected intersections do no mitigate traffic congestion.
- City should consider grade separation instead of protecting intersections, such as along Lawrence Expressway.
- City should use modern technologies, real time data to give accurate data counts for traffic reports. This will give the City accurate counts for baseline traffic.
- Steven Creeks/Moorpark/Winchester/West San Carlos
 - o Pedestrians cannot cross because of stacked cars, it is slow or blocked.
 - o Left turns run red lights and clog intersections @ Valley Fair and Santana Row Entrance.
 - Difficult to get onto freeways.
 - Timing of lights, City needs to re-time signals to avoid clogged roadways.
- Current and projected traffic counts need to be included in the Traffic Analysis.
- Will the project force cut-through traffic into the adjacent neighborhoods? Should study traffic on Maplewood.
- City's traffic count data should be public and available by the next meeting. (Stevens Creek & Winchester, Winchester & Tisch & Olsen, Stevens Creek & Monroe).
- Use a pilot project for data collection of bike, pedestrians, cars, and motorcycle traffic.
- Need mass transit for visitors/residents.
- Frustration that we are not leveraging technology properly with regards to managing traffic. Should use real time data.
- How can city deal with adding more traffic with all the high density?
- Traffic goes 33 mph northbound on I-280 at 9:00am, which is not acceptable.
- This area is very unique due to Valley Fair and Santana Row, so typical peak hour standards do
 not work since much traffic occurs on nights and weekends outside of standard AM and PM
 peak hours.
- The TIA should analyze traffic during the holiday season, which runs from Oct to Jan.
- The City should use different peak times (such as nights and weekends) for area traffic analysis.
- A 24/7 traffic analysis is needed for this area, including weekends when Valley Fair/Santana Row is busiest.

- How do we change Council Policy 5-3 (Transportation Level of Service Policy) so more than the AM and PM peak hours are analyzed?
- City of San José residents work 7 days a week, so policies that only address traffic during weekday peak hours are out-dated.
- Population in California will grow and traffic will grow, can't stop traffic on streets.
- Motivation to push for full traffic analysis. Can this traffic analysis persuade agencies to fund improvements to alleviate traffic?
- What is the distance for determining which intersections are included in the traffic study (i.e., does the City use a distance radius, such as 2 or 3 miles, for determining which intersections to study)?
- A shuttle service should be provided between local destinations (Valley Fair, Santana Row) to help with local mobility. This will also help senior citizens and handicapped people move around the area. A good example is Cupertino.
- The project should provide a private shuttle service for employees like the shuttles provided to Google and Facebook employees.
- How will the project address ingress/egress between the Winchester Ranch Mobile Home Park?
 If Public Access Easement removed from Olsen it would lower the value of the mobile home park.
- What will happen to Tisch if it is closed due to a new offramp from I-280?
- How far (distance) does the traffic study go out? How is this determined?

Project Design and Relationship to Existing Neighborhoods

- How will the development relate to neighborhoods that back up to development?
 - O What will the back of the development facing neighbors look like?
 - o Will existing trees/landscape buffer along the western project boundary be maintained?
 - o The height of the development at the back (west) of site should be lowered.
- Need security for neighborhood residents at the back (west) of project site.
- Will parking garage be used only for office or after hours too? The EIR should look at impacts to adjacent neighborhoods with regards to noise, light, security, visual (aesthetics).
- Will there be a public park on the site?
- Where will the shuttle stop be?
- The parking garage should have a façade so it doesn't look like a parking garage.
- The maximum height proposed is 120 feet, how does this compare to the Belmont Village building? Santana Heights across Winchester is 90 feet tall, so the project will be 30 feet taller.
- How tall is the Century 21 theater?
- Would like a greenbelt and sidewalks along access road along the western property boundary between the project site and the existing houses to the west.
- Will the project include underground parking? How many levels?

Historic Resources

- Is the Flames Coffee Shop building historic?
- Will the Century 21 theater building be preserved or stripped?
- Should save Century 23 theater instead and tear down Century 21.

Pedestrian Accessibility

- Have there been studies into how Santana Row is performing in terms of pedestrian accessibility and the number of pedestrians who access the site from adjacent neighborhoods and Valley Fair?
- City should consider a pedestrian overcrossing between the project site and Santana Row.
- What is the width of sidewalks along Winchester Boulevard?

Alternatives in the EIR

• The EIR should analyze an alternative for a mixed-use development on the Santana West site that includes both housing and commercial/office.

Emergency Services

• Does the Fire Station on Monroe have the capacity to serve the new development? Where do additional fire department personnel come from if there is a large emergency in the area?

General Project Questions/Comments

- How many jobs will be on the site?
- What about water supply? Will the project use recycled water?

December 15, 2015 Community Meeting and NOP Scoping Meeting Cypress Community Center

Approximately 24 members of the public attended.

Traffic Analysis

- Traffic study should study traffic during peak hours and the effect of school traffic.
- Traffic study should study I-280 southbound traffic along Stevens Creek.
- Analyze cut-through traffic on Maplewood.
- Illegal parking in Residential Permit Parking Zone during large events (such as the Santana Row Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony). Permit Parking Zone is not enforced by City.
- Noon time pedestrian traffic to Santana Row from the development of this project, how will it affect vehicle traffic.
- When will potential uses of the building be discussed/approved by the community
- Will parking be approved as part of the rezoning?
- Can the development provide local shuttle service to residents to get to the project and Santana Row. Cupertino as an example.
 - o Seniors Citizens/handicap need shuttle service to move within area.
- Will there be private shuttle services for workers like Google/Facebook.
- Ingress/egress out of the mobile park, how is the Public Access Easement on Olsen
 - o If the City abandoning the street and if so wont that lower the value of the mobile home park.
- Where would shuttles stop in area or idle if implemented.
- When will Bus Rapid 523 (VTA) be available? Plan is 2017.
- How to ensure the accuracy of traffic counts and flows. Look at latest automated technology for counts and data accuracy.

- Look at elevated walkways to move people from Santana West to Santana Row to move people more efficiently.
- Winchester/280 ramp study- what is the status of the study/policy?
- Will security be taken into consideration for existing neighborhoods?
- Winchester/Williams development (The Reserve) will that project be included with other all new development in the traffic study?
- Moorpark towards Winchester- study intersection
- Holiday traffic from Halloween to January needs to be studied Stevens Creek most impacted during this time.
- Look at more park and walk shuttle opportunities.
- Where would parking for grocery store be located? Where would employees park?
- Overflow parking in adjacent neighborhood? How can enforcement be studied? Residential Parking Permit not being look at or enforced.
- Need additional park within neighborhood.
- If there is a grocery store please have a Trader Joes no Whole Foods.
- How many stories for retails will be included?
- Santana Frank park Extension was promised. When will park be extended?

Pedestrian and Bike Access

- Pedestrian & Bike access through the project, how will the development provide connectivity?
- Project should consider a pedestrian overpass or underpass between project site and Santana Row.

Project Design

- How many stories of retail will be located along Winchester?
- The expansion of Frank Santana Park was promised by the City. When will the park be expanded?
- Need an additional park within the neighborhood.