# **Emergency Interim Housing**

**Public Information Meeting** 

City Response to COVID-19 and Shelter Crisis Declaration

Monday, May 18, 2020 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

#### **PRESENTATION AVAILABLE AT:**

https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/housing/homelessness-response/covid-19-resources

## Agenda

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## **Opening Remarks**

# Mayor Sam Liccardo



# Councilmember Dev Davis

# Public Health Crisis and Related Government Actions

- Proclamation of CA State of Emergency
   Executive Order/SB89 allocated funding,
   suspended regulations, enabled speedy delivery of Emergency Housing
- Santa Clara County Shelter at Home Order gave direction to shelter homeless residents
- City Manager/EOC declared Shelter Crisis
- City Council ratified Shelter Crisis Declaration
   Suspended GP, Zoning, Regulations/Requirements
   Allocated funding, directed City Manager to
   immediately stand up Emergency Interim Housing

# **Public Health Crisis**

City and County
Coordinated
Homeless
Response

#### **How Does This Fit into Bigger Response?**

- Addressing encampment residents' needs
- Expanded temporary housing and shelter capacity
  - **✓** Over 700 motel/hotel rooms across 13 sites in 7 cities
  - ✓ Over 450 temporary shelter beds across Parkside Hall, South Hall, and Fairgrounds
  - **✓** Family shelter at Camden Community Center
- Expanded operating hours of 10 shelters, Safe
   Parking, and Overnight Warming Locations
- Using capacity at existing Bridge Housing Community and Plaza Hotel

#### **Emergency Interim Housing Site Selection**

Existing and Developing Bridge Housing Sites

Mabury	D3	✓ Operational
Felipe/101/280	<b>D7</b>	✓ Under Development

- Sites evaluated across the City for additional capacity
- Major considerations for this emergency included:
  - ✓ Speed of site control
  - ✓ Size, accessibility, proximity to utilities, grading
  - ✓ Overall feasibility for rapid development

**Green Light** 

Doesn't Meet COVID 19 Time Restrictions/ Development Challenges

Red Light

Evaluated Locations	District	Description
Original Priority Emergency Sites		
Story Road at Knox Ave	5	Parkland restrictions/Deed Restrictions Prohibits Use
Monterey at Bernal	2	<ul> <li>City owned and controlled, Most rapid path to development</li> <li>Few barriers/access to utilities</li> <li>Contractor ready to start NOW</li> </ul>
2347 1 <sup>st</sup> Street	4	<ul> <li>Path to control/lease not likely during emergency timeframe</li> <li>Design review by property owner requires negotiation</li> <li>Remains viable site just not during COVID emergency</li> </ul>
Private Land at <u>Hellyer</u>	2	<ul> <li>Donation agreement still being finalized with owner</li> <li>Hillside slopes, grading requirements, competing needs</li> <li>Opportunity to stand up immediately compromised</li> </ul>
Other Sites Under Review		
Evans Ln at <u>Almaden</u> Expressway	6	<ul> <li>Future affordable housing site</li> <li>Interim family use, path to permanent housing on-site</li> <li>Some flood mitigation required</li> </ul>
Story Road at Remillard Court 1 & 2	7	<ul> <li>Development Challenges: grading, access, access to utilities</li> <li>Environmental constraints – flood, former land fill</li> </ul>
Monterey Road at Burnett Ave	2	<ul> <li>Just north of Morgan Hill city limit</li> <li>Greenbelt, no utilities</li> <li>Limited resource access: transit, services, food</li> <li>Potential FEMA trailer storage site</li> </ul>
Los Esteros Road at Grand Blvd	4	<ul> <li>Site limitations: High voltage power lines/towers, marshland, neighboring sites are protected wildlife, flood zone</li> </ul>
Yerba Buena Road @ Chisin Street	8	<ul> <li>Development Challenges: hillside, open space issues, no access to utilities</li> <li>No Resource access: transit, services, food</li> </ul>
Other Public Sites		
Rue Ferrari at 101	2	<ul> <li>Quick control with Caltrans partnership</li> <li>Large and flat, access to utilities, easily developable</li> </ul>

# **Top Sites for Immediate Emergency Housing Deployment COVID-19 and City Shelter Crisis Declaration Response**

Monterey at Bernal	D2	<ul><li>Most Rapid Path to Development</li><li>Few Barriers/Access to Utilities</li><li>Contractor Ready to Start Now</li></ul>
Evans Lane	D6	<ul> <li>Level/Minimal Site Grading</li> <li>Future Affordable Housing Site</li> <li>Interim Family Use, Path to Permanent Housing On-site</li> <li>School/Resource Proximity</li> </ul>
Rue Ferrari/101	D2	<ul><li>Rapid Caltrans Partnership</li><li>Sizeable, level, accessible site</li><li>Potential Phased Development</li></ul>

# Emergency Interim Housing Site Selection



May 1

Request for Proposals Posted

**Late May** 

**Estimated Construction Start** 

May 15 – May 20

City in Negotiations with Contractor

Mid/Late August

Project Complete/ Provide Families with Interim Housing **EVANS LANE** 



A place for families



- Individual showers and restrooms, some accessible units (up to 108 residents)
- Fenced and secured perimeter with 24/7 onsite security
- Community Garden and buffered landscaping

- Traffic access/safety review & basic traffic improvements
- Common spaces and community areas for cooking, laundry, indoor and outdoor recreational space, and office space
- Play area for children



#### Site Operations and Resident Services

#### **Purpose of Emergency Interim Housing**

Interim housing provides individuals with a safe, private and secure shelter in response to COVID-19 and the City's Shelter Crisis Declaration.

#### **Site Operations**

- ✓ 24/7 Security
- ✓ Onsite program/operational staff
- ✓ Participant rules, requirements, and expectations

#### **Services that May be Available**

- ✓ Case management
- ✓ Work shops/Financial education
- ✓ Resources/Support groups
- ✓ Access to housing subsidies
- ✓ Children's Education Coordination
- ✓ Job Advocacy



# Affordable Housing Development

#### **Long-term Site Strategy**

✓ Develop permanent mixedincome affordable housing including space for Bridge Library

#### **Request for Proposals**

√ Winter 2020

#### **Phased Approach**

✓ Work with interim housing



# Frequently Asked Questions



### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Available on the Housing Department's Website**

https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/housing

✓ Go to Homeless Response COVID-19 Resources





#### | Public Comment

- Limit 1 minute per person to allow as many speakers as possible
- Mute all other audio before speaking



## Next Steps

#### **Future Community & Service Coordination**

- Coordinated City Service Delivery
- Community Advisory Committee
  - Provide input on operations and challenges
  - ✓ Suggestions for improvement and needs
  - Identify and celebrate successes

### **Next Steps**

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- ✓ Click "Sign up"

