

# 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/covid-19-resources/homelessness-response>

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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	D7	✓ 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

Potential Emergency Interim Housing/Shelter Site Summary

Green Light

Doesn't Meet COVID 19 Time Restrictions/ Development Challenges

Red Light

Evaluated Locations	District	Description
<b>Original Priority Emergency Sites</b>		
Story Road at Knox Ave	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parkland restrictions/Deed Restrictions Prohibits Use</li> </ul>
Monterey at Bernal	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Other Sites Under Review</b>		
Evans Ln at <u>Almaden Expressway</u>	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 <u>Remillard Court 1 &amp; 2</u>	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development Challenges: hillside, open space issues, no access to utilities</li> <li>• No Resource access: transit, services, food</li> </ul>
<b>Other Public Sites</b>		
Rue Ferrari at 101	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 style="list-style-type: none"><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 style="list-style-type: none"><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 style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Rapid Caltrans Partnership</li><li>- Sizeable, level, accessible site</li><li>- Potential Phased Development</li></ul>

**Emergency  
Interim  
Housing  
Site  
Selection**





# Evans Lane

Draft Conceptual Plan

## Estimated Development Schedule

**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 mixed-income 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 COVID-19 Resources  Homeless Response

The screenshot shows the City of San Jose website navigation bar with the following menu items: RESIDENTS, BUSINESS, VISITORS, YOUR GOVERNMENT, NEWS & STORIES, and a search bar. A sidebar on the left lists various categories, with 'COVID-19 Resources' highlighted in yellow. The main content area is titled 'COVID-19 ASSISTANCE FOR HOMELESS COMMUNITY' and includes a sub-section for 'Emergency Bridge Housing Communities'. The text describes the city's response to the COVID-19 emergency, mentioning the development of three emergency bridge housing communities (BHCs) to help protect unhoused people. It also notes that the City Council approved construction of the first emergency BHC on April 21, 2020, on a parcel at the intersection of Monterey Road and Bernal Road. The text concludes by stating that here are [Frequently Asked Questions](#) about the emergency BHCs.



## | Public Comment

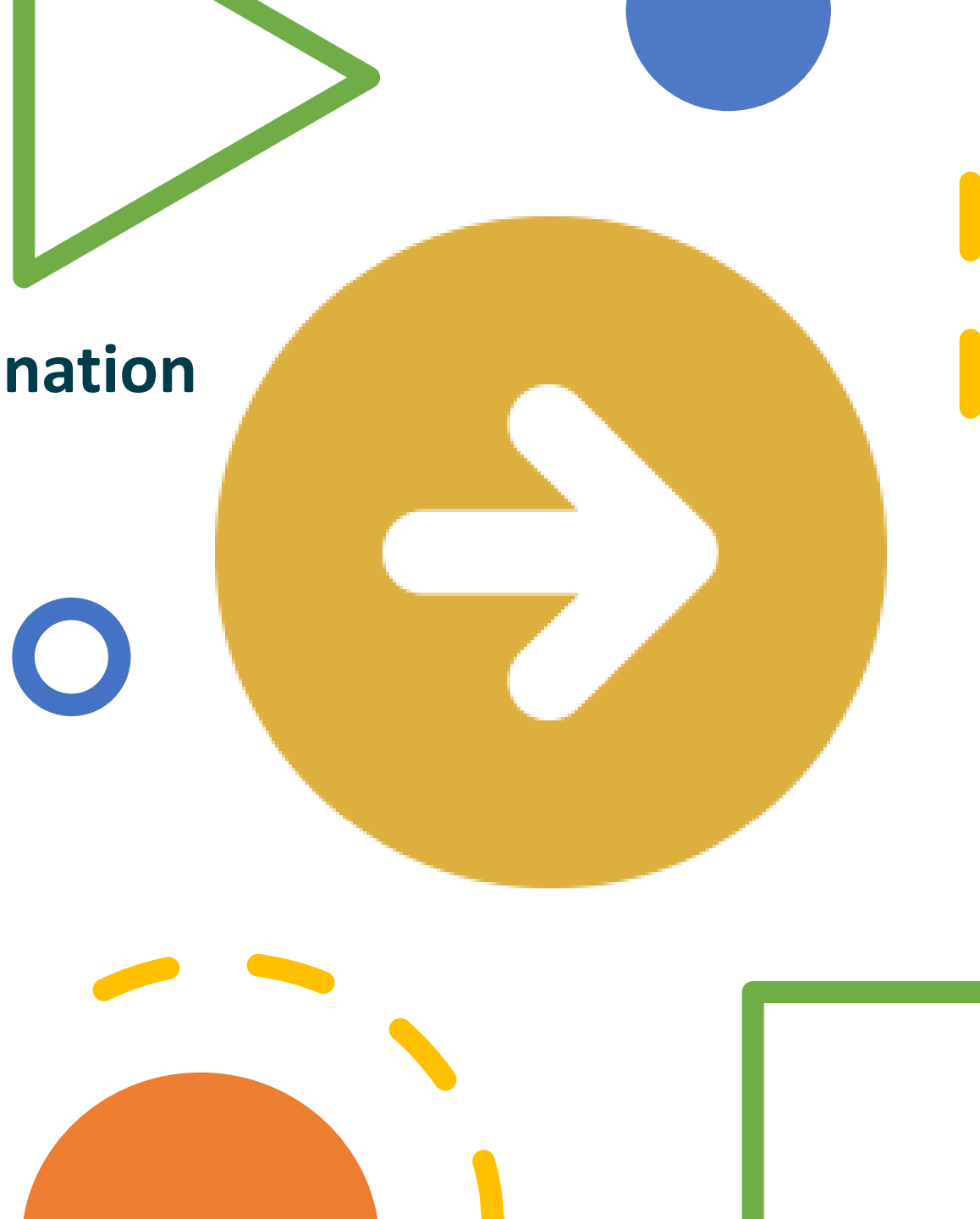
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# Next Steps

## 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

## Sign Up to Receive Updates

- ✓ Go to <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/housing>
- ✓ Click “Subscribe”
- ✓ Enter your contact information and select “Emergency Interim Housing”
- ✓ Click “Sign up”

