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[VIA EMAIL]

Refer to HUD\_2021\_0402\_002

Ms. Rosalynn Hughey  
Director, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement  
City of San Jose  
200 East Santa Clara Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
San Jose, CA 95113

Re: Multifamily Affordable Housing Development Project at 1710 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose, CA

Dear Ms. Hughey:

The California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) received the consultation submittal for the above referenced undertaking for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations found at 36 CFR Part 800. The regulations and advisory materials are located at [www.achp.gov](http://www.achp.gov).

Undertaking

Your letter informed the SHPO that the City of San Jose and MidPen Housing expect to use funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the development of a multifamily affordable housing project located at 1710 Moorpark Avenue. The undertaking involves the demolition of one of two existing church properties on the subject site, and the construction of a new five-story building containing 108 affordable housing units.

Area of Potential Effects (APE)

The City has defined the APE as the subject parcel and the two-hundred feet surrounding the parcel. The SHPO agrees that this is an adequate definition of the APE for the work associated with this undertaking.

Identification of Historic Properties

In an effort to identify potential historic properties within the APE the City and project consultants, Evans & DeShazo Archeology & Historic Preservation, obtained a records search for the project area from the Northwest Information Center (NWIC) of the CHRIS located at Sonoma State. A Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File search was also conducted, and the City contacted the recommended tribes. Finally, Evans & DeShazo completed both archeological and built environment filed surveys of the APE.

Based on the results of Evans & DeShazo's identification efforts, the City determined that one property within the APE is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The City determined that the Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, constructed in 1964 and located at 1710 Moorpark Avenue, is eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion C at the local level of significance.

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The SHPO agrees with this determination, and the church building constructed in 1964 at 1710 Moorpark Avenue is a historic properties pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800.16(l).

The City also determined that one other properties within the APE is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The SHPO agrees that the following property is not eligible:

- 1670 Moorpark Avenue

The City and SHPO agree that one of the properties on the subject at 1710 Moorpark Avenue, the church building constructed in 1953, is not eligible for the National Register, but because the buildings on the site will be demolished no formal determination is being made.

The City and consultants' efforts did not identify any subsurface historic properties within the APE. The SHPO believes the City has made reasonable and good faith identification efforts.

#### Finding of Effects

The City "seeks the State Historic Preservation Officer's concurrence with our determination of no significant adverse effects based on the findings above." After reviewing the project documents submitted for the undertaking, pursuant to 36 CFR §800.5(c)(1) the SHPO does not object to the City's finding of *No adverse effects* to the historic property located at 1710 Moorpark Avenue by the completion of this undertaking. However, the City may have additional Section 106 responsibilities under certain circumstances set forth at 36 CFR Part 800 in the event that historic properties are discovered during implementation of the undertaking your agency is required to consult further pursuant to §800.13(b).

We appreciate the City of San Jose's consideration of historic properties in the project planning process. If you have questions please contact Shannon Lauchner Pries, Historian II, with the Local Government & Environmental Compliance Unit at [shannon.pries@parks.ca.gov](mailto:shannon.pries@parks.ca.gov) .

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Sincerely,



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State Historic Preservation Officer