

# Planning, Building and Code Enforcement CHRISTOPHER BURTON, DIRECTOR

## DETERMINATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE CISCO SYSTEMS, INC. SITE 6 FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (RESOLUTION# 69630, SCH# 1999082003)

Pursuant to Section 15162 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of San José has determined that the project described below does not involve new significant effects beyond those analyzed in the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Cisco Systems, Inc. Site 6 Project (File No. PDC99-054), as addended. Therefore, the City of San José can take action on the project as being within the scope of the Cisco Systems, Inc. Site 6 EIR, as addended.

**File Number:** File No. PD21-016

**Project Name:** Second Harvest Foodbank Distribution Center

**Project Description:** Planned Development Permit to allow either the construction of an approximately 249,230-square foot warehouse/distribution buildings or the construction of the remaining office research and development buildings previously reviewed and approved through Planned Development Permit (File No. PD13-012) on an approximately 10.5 acre site in Alviso. The development would be in designed in accordance with the Planned Development Zoning District (File No. PDC99-054).

**Location:** 4553 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street, San José

Council District: 4

The environmental impacts of this project were addressed in a Final EIR entitled, Cisco Systems, Inc. Site 6 Project and findings were adopted in City Council Resolution No. 69639 on June 19, 2000. Specifically, the following impacts were reviewed and found to be adequately considered by the EIR:

☑ Visual and Aesthetics	☐ Land Use and Planning
Agriculture Resources	Mineral Resources
☐ Air Quality	Noise     Noise
☐ Biological Resources	Population and Housing
☐ Cultural Resources	□ Public Services
□ Energy	□ Recreation
Geology and Soils	
Hazards and Hazardous Materials	☐ Utilities and Service Systems
Hydrology and Water Quality	Mandatory Findings of Significance

#### **ANALYSIS:**

#### Site History

On June 6, 2000, the Cisco Systems, Inc. Site 6 Planned Development Zoning District (Ordinance 26135) was approved in conjunction with the certification of its Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The Cisco Systems Inc., Site 6 EIR analyzed a phased development of 2.325 million square feet of office, research and development (R&D), and light manufacturing uses on approximately 152.6 acres of land generally located north of State Route 237, along both sides of North 1<sup>st</sup> Street. The EIR analysis considered the construction of up to 10 buildings, up to 6 stories in height, on the site and associated infrastructure improvements under two phases of construction. Subsequent to the Zoning District's approval, on June 19, 2000, a Planned Development Permit (File No. PD00-027) was filed for the construction of Phase I of the Planned Development and permitted the construction of 1,600,000 square feet of office and R&D buildings. The City in November 2000 entered into a Development Agreement (DA) with the developer of the 152.6-acre site, providing assurances that the project could be developed in accordance with the existing ordinances, resolutions, policies, and regulations effective the date of the agreement. The DA had a twenty-year term and expired in 2020.

In November 2013, a Planned Development Permit (File No. PD13-012) was filed for the construction of approximately 614,809 square feet of office and R&D uses on a 28.5-acre portion of the EIR's 152.6-acre site.

The site, located on the west side of North First Street, north of SR237 and included as part of the Phase I of the approved Cisco Site 6 project but was never built out under PD00-027's entitlement. Two of the four buildings approved under PD13-012 were constructed in 2015.

### **Proposed Project**

The proposed project would implement the final component of development on the Cisco Site 6 campus by constructing two warehouse buildings which would consist of 209,603 square feet of warehouse space and 39,627 square feet of office space on the remaining undeveloped 10.47 acres of the Cisco Site 6 EIR; these buildings would be in the place of the two approved and unconstructed office buildings (which would have totaled 246,107 square feet) from the 2013 entitlement. The applicant has applied for a new Planned Development Permit to permit this remaining development.

The City of San José, as the Lead Agency, has prepared this Initial Study (see attached) to 1) document the currently proposed project (that is the subject of the proposed Planned Development Permit) does not trigger any of the conditions calling for preparation of a subsequent EIR, and 2) identify the mitigation identified in the 2000 Cisco Site 6 EIR remains applicable to the project. The Initial Study complies with the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations §15000 et. seq.) and the regulations and policies of the City of San José, California.

The Initial Study analyzes the project's consistency to both the certified 2000 Cisco Site 6 Environmental Impact Report (Cisco Site 6 EIR) and Addenda thereto as well as the 2011 Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (General Plan EIR) and Addenda thereto, where applicable and confirms the proposed project would not result in any new significant effects beyond those analyzed.

Based on the above, this proposed project would be consistent with the development analyzed in the Cisco Systems, Inc. Site 6 EIR and no new significant environmental impacts that were not previously identified will result from this project, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15162.

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May 16, 2022

Date

Deputy

Attachment: Second Harvest Food Bank Warehouse Project Initial Study