



PUBLIC NOTICE
INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
CITY OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

Project Name: Columbus Park Redevelopment Project

File No.: ER20-025

Description: Public project to demolish all existing park facilities and recreational equipment on-site and construct new lighted multi-sport playing fields and courts, restrooms, a picnic area, and a maintenance building. The approximately 12.5-acre project site includes Columbus Park in San José and an undeveloped parcel located to the east of the park. The project would also reconfigure Irene, Asbury, and Walnut Streets as a one-directional perimeter access roads, construct a new parking lot on the eastern project boundary, temporarily close Spring Street between Asbury and West Taylor Street, and construct a new pedestrian paseo in its place. As a part of the park redevelopment, the park will be renamed Janet Gray Hayes Park.

Location: The project site is bounded by Asbury Street to the north, West Taylor Street to the south, Guadalupe River Park to the east, and Walnut Street to the west, in the City of San José.

Assessor's Parcel No.: 259-07-115, 259-08-103 and 259-08-103

Council District: 6

Applicant Contact Information: City of San José, Department of Public Works (Attn: Chris Mastrodiscasa); 200 East Santa Clara St, 6th floor, San José, CA 95113; (408)535-8300; chris.mastrodiscasa@sanjoseca.gov

The City has performed an environmental review of the project. The environmental review examines the nature and extent of any adverse effects on the environment that could occur if the project is approved and implemented. Based on the review, the City has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for this project. An MND is a statement by the City that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment because the project will include mitigation measures that will reduce identified project impacts to a less than significant level. The project site is present on the list pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

The public is welcome to review and comment on the Draft MND. The public comment period for this Draft MND begins on **Wednesday February 8, 2023 and ends on Thursday March 2, 2023**. The Draft MND, Initial Study, and reference documents are available online at: www.sanjoseca.gov/negativedeclarations

The documents are also available for review with an appointment during normal business hours at the City of San Jose Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, located at City Hall, 200 East Santa Clara Street; or during normal business hours at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Main Library, located at 150 E. San Fernando Street; and the Joyce Ellington Branch Library located at 491 East Empire Street. Please contact Bethelhem Telahun at (408) 535-5624, or by e-mail at bethelhem.telahun@sanjoseca.gov for appointment request or additional questions, comments, or concerns.

CHRISTOPHER BURTON, Director
Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

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