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SCH #: 2020070175

Project Title: Town of Los Gatos 2040 General Plan Update

Lead Agency: Town of Los Gatos

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Project Location: Los Gatos (*City*) Santa Clara County (*County*)

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project consists of a comprehensive update to the Town's General Plan which will serve as a long-term framework for future growth and development. The 2040 General Plan represents the community's view of its future and contains the goals and policies upon which the Town Council and Planning Commission will base their land use and resource decisions in the future. To provide a contemporary plan that will guide the community to the year 2040, the General Plan update will reflect changes in the community, and address new issues and opportunities as identified through community input. These include new policy guidance stemming from changes in State law such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and new trends such as autonomous vehicles and the growth of online retail shopping.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

- Mitigation Measure (MM) AQ-1 requires new discretionary projects in the General Plan Area that exceed the construction screening criteria of the BAAQMD shall be conditioned to reduce construction emissions of reactive organic gases, nitrogen oxides, and particulate matter by implementing the BAAQMD's Basic Construction Mitigation Measures or equivalent
- MM AQ-2 requires Land Use Element Policy LU-11.5 Industrial Compatibility shall be updated in the 2040 General Plan to read: "Require that industrial projects be designed to limit the impact of truck traffic, air, odor, and noise pollution on adjacent sensitive land uses"
- MM CR-1 requires that if a project requires activities that have the potential to impact cultural resources, the Town shall require the project applicant or proponent to retain a qualified archaeologist to complete a Phase 1 cultural resources inventory
- MM GEO-1 requires that the Town shall require paleontological resource studies be completed for projects involving ground disturbance in areas of high paleontological sensitivity
- MM GHG-1 requires that the Town shall implement GHG emissions reduction measures by the following sectors: Energy, Transportation, and Waste.
- MM N-1 requires that various measures be implemented during project construction within 25 feet of sensitive receptors
- MM N-2 requires the Town include measures to minimize exposure to construction vibration
- MM T-1 requires that one or more VMT reduction strategies should be required for projects which would generate VMT
- MM TCR-1 requires stopping work and consulting with a Native American representative following the discovery of unanticipated tribal cultural resources to reduce potential impacts to tribal cultural resources to less than significant.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The Town of Los Gatos distributed a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of the Program EIR for a 33-day agency and public review period commencing July 9, 2020 and closing August 10, 2020. In addition, the Town held a virtual Scoping Meeting on July 23, 2020. The meeting, held from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., was aimed at providing information about the proposed project to members of public agencies, interested stakeholders, and residents/community members. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the virtual meeting was held through the online meeting platform Zoom and included a call-in number. The Town received eight letters from State, regional, and local agencies in response to the NOP during the public review period, as well as comments from two people during the scoping meeting.

Additionally, the General Plan has garnered public awareness over projected housing numbers. Three news articles circulated that described the Plan's potential to increase population within the Town through an increase and diversity in new development that could be facilitated by the General Plan.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

- Town of Los Gatos
- County of Santa Clara