

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE ST. JOSEPH'S MEDICAL
CENTER OF STOCKTON HOSPITAL EXPANSION PROJECT

(Pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 21092 and 21092.3 and Cal. Code of
Regulations Title 14, Section 15087)

The City of Stockton (City), acting as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR SCH #2021120439) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to assess the potential environmental effects of the proposed St. Joseph's Medical Center of Stockton Hospital Expansion project (Project).

Project Location: The existing 18.7-acre St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Center campus is located within the City and is generally bounded by E. Cleveland Street to the north, E. Harding Way to the south, N. California Street to the west, and Cemetery Lane to the east. The campus is approximately 1.3 miles north of State Route (SR) 4, 2.3 miles west of SR 99, and 2.6 miles east of Interstate 5.

Project Description: The Project includes preparation of a Master Development Plan (MDP) that establishes the foundation for the hospital expansion and provides a single, unified concept for future growth of the St. Joseph's Medical Center campus and would be the primary land use and regulatory document that establishes the vision, standards, and strategies to guide future development of the Medical Center. Included as part of the MDP is a proposed Site Master Plan, which depicts a new main hospital building ("Acute Care Hospital Tower"), a new multistory Parking Structure, replacement of the existing Central Utility Plant, a potential new Plant Maintenance building, expansion of the existing Generator building and other required support facilities within the Medical Center campus boundaries, along with new water, wastewater, and storm drain infrastructure. To accommodate the project, up to six (6) existing buildings would be removed, along with a surface parking lot and possibly a portion of the North Wing building.

Anticipated Environmental Effects: The Draft EIR has identified the following environmental issue areas as having significant and unavoidable environmental impacts from implementation of the project: Aesthetics and Greenhouse Gas Emissions. All other environmental issues were determined to have no impact, less than significant impacts, or less than significant impacts with mitigation measures incorporated into the Project.

Public Review Period: A 45-day public review period for the Draft EIR will begin on Monday April 17, 2023 and end on Thursday, June 1, 2023 for public agencies, organization and interested members of the public to submit written comments on the document. A copy of the Draft EIR is available for review at the City's Community Development Department (at the address below) and on the City's website: <http://www.stocktonca.gov/government/departments/communityDevelop/cdPlanEnv.html>

Written comments concerning the Draft EIR are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 1, 2023. Comments may be submitted by mail or email to:

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