

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

Solano County
County Clerk
675 Texas Street, Suite 1900
Fairfield, CA 94533

From: Vallejo City Unified School District
655 Walnut Avenue
Vallejo, CA 94592

Applicant: Griffin Technology Academies

Subject: *Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.*

Proposition 51 Mare Island Technology Academy Renovation Project
Project Title

2022120292	Mitchell Romao, Assistant Superintendent	707.556.8921
State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to Clearinghouse)	Contact Person	Area Code/Telephone/Extension

Project Location: The project site is located at 2 Positive Place on the existing Mare Island Technology Academy (MITA) campus within the northern portion of City of Vallejo in Solano County. The MITA campus is bound by Corcoran Avenue to the north, Rainier Avenue to the east, Mini Drive to the west and Olympic Avenue and the District property occupied by ELITE Public Schools to the south. The campus is split into two sections by Positive Place, a private drive.

Project Description: Mare Island Technology Academy, a charter school for middle school students, and MIT Academy, a charter school for high school students, are authorized by the Vallejo City Unified School District (VCUSD or District) and are operated by Griffin Technology Academies (GTA), a non-profit public benefit corporation. The project site is owned by the Vallejo City Unified School District, and GTA operates the charter schools (collectively referred to as MITA) under a long-term lease. With approval of the District, the GTA applied and received funding for four Charter School Facility grants from the Office of Public School Construction through the State of California's Charter School Facilities Program.

All of the portable classrooms that currently exist on the MITA campus, except for three, have not been approved by the Division of the State Architect (DSA). The proposed project will replace all structures with new DSA-approved classrooms and support facilities. The proposed project would renovate the MITA's existing campus, demolish 61,745 square feet of existing buildings on-site and the portable buildings at the southern portion of the site, and re-grade the site. The proposed project involves the construction of 80,002 square feet of new buildings including two-story classroom buildings, a science building, administration building, multipurpose building, gymnasium, soccer field, and other outdoor play fields. Lighting of outdoor sports facilities is not proposed. The proposed project would construct a total of 45 classrooms. Site improvements will also include on-site parking, improved vehicle circulation, landscaping, walkways, and other amenities. No community use of the school facilities is anticipated. All new facilities will meet current state building standards.

The following discretionary actions and approvals are required for project implementation: (1) Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program by Vallejo City Unified School District; (2) Adoption of Title 5, California Code of Regulations findings by Vallejo City Unified School District; (3) project approval by Griffin Technology Academies; (4) plan approval by California Department of Education; (5) site approval and no further action by California Department of Toxic Substances Control; and (6) permits for road, drainage, utilities, signage improvements, and encroachment from City of Vallejo.

CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act

This is to advise that the Vallejo City Unified School District has approved the above described
(Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

project on February 1, 2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:
(Date)

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final initial study/mitigated negative declaration and the record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

Vallejo City Unified School District, 655 Walnut Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94592

Date received for filing and posting at DPR:

Michelle A. Roman *Asst. Supt. Operations* *Feb 1, 2023*
Signature (Public Agency) Title Date