

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH # 2024040386

Project Title: New Sixth Appellate District Courthouse Project

Lead Agency: Judicial Council of California Contact Person: Kim Bobic
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 City: San Francisco Zip: 94102-3688 County: San Francisco

Project Location: County: Santa Clara County City/Nearest Community: Sunnyvale

Cross Streets: Situated on W. El Camino Real between Mathilda Avenue and Pastoria Avenue Zip Code: 94087

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 37 ° 22 ' 12.1095085" N / 122 ° 02 ' 19.1932928" W Total Acres: 2.03

Assessor's Parcel No.: 165-02-004 Section: 36 Twp.: 06S Range: 02W Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR-82, SR-85 Waterways: N/A

Airports: N/A Railways: CALTRAIN Schools: See attachment

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Project Approval by Judicial Council

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: Courthouse, 50,000 sq ft., 2.03 ac, 84 employees
 Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: Greenhouse Gas

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

El Camino Real Specific Plan (ECRSP): Public Facilities

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

Please see attached.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction
<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # <u>4</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
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<input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality
<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>3</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>City of Sunnyvale Department of Public Works, Office of the State Fire Marshal</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 17, 2024 Ending Date August 30, 2024

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

The Judicial Council is proposing to construct a new Sixth Appellate District Courthouse (Project), at a state-owned asset located at 605 W. El Camino Real, Sunnyvale California 94087 (Site). The Project consists of the demolition of an existing building and the construction of a new courthouse with onsite parking for the Sixth Appellate District of the Court of Appeal in a more practical and accessible infill location. The Site is situated on W. El Camino Real between Mathilda Avenue and Pastoria Avenue. The Site was previously used by the Superior Court of Santa Clara County for trial court operations. The State of California, on behalf of the Judicial Council retains ownership of the Site.

Site preparation would include the demolition of an existing 19,994 square foot one-story building with a partial basement as well as an unused shed structure currently within the parking lot. The Project would additionally involve demolition of approximately 19,760 SF of existing paving, full repaving of 4,580 SF of existing drive access road, resurfacing of 9,800 SF of existing parking area, and paving of 13,200 SF of new parking area to build a new courthouse within the 2.03-acre Site.

PROPOSED FACILITIES

The proposed new courthouse would be approximately 50,000 SF up to three stories in height located in the same general footprint as the existing building on the Site. The new courthouse would include one courtroom with support spaces, justice chambers, administrative support and operations areas, a law library, mediation area, public entry and lobby, and a building support area. Approximately 50 parking spaces is estimated to be needed, including 12 secure parking spaces for justices and surface parking for the public and court staff.

ACCESS AND UTILITIES

Nearby roadway infrastructure and public transportation connects the Site to the surrounding facilities, neighborhoods, and region ensuring public accessibility to the new courthouse. The Site is less than 2.5 miles east of the California State Route 85 (CA-SR-85) and southeast of CA-SR-237. The United States (US)-101 and US-237 highways are also located within three miles of the Site. Regional access to the Site is provided by CA-SR-85, El Camino Real/State Route (SR-82), Central Expressway (G6), and Lawrence Expressway (G2).

Access to the new courthouse parking area would be within the existing footprint. Vehicle and pedestrian access to the Site would be provided from the existing entrance off El Camino Real. Access into the secured parking lot would be controlled for use by justices, court executive staff, and California Highway Patrol (CHP) vehicles only. Service deliveries would access the facility through a loading/receiving area via the Site's primary access drive and by way of an easement across the adjacent property owned by the city of Sunnyvale.

The Site is well served by Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) bus stops with connections to Caltrain from the Sunnyvale Transit Center, which is situated seven blocks to the northeast of the Site (an approximately 18-minute walk and six-minute drive). Three VTA bus stops are located approximately 0.1-mile from the Site on El Camino Real at South Mathilda Avenue to the east; El Camino Real at South Pastoria Avenue to the west; and West Olive Avenue at All America Way to the northwest. The Sunnyvale Caltrain station is located four blocks from the Site on Mathilda Avenue and West Evelyn Avenue (an approximately 15-minute walk).

The Project Site is served by existing utilities that will be expanded to support the operation of the new Courthouse. Utility needs of the proposed Project would not substantially differ from those currently available at the Project site.

DEMOLITION

The existing courthouse was built in 1967 and has the potential for the presence of asbestos-containing materials and lead-based paint. Materials, including hazardous materials, associated with Project demolition would be handled, transported, and disposed of in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations and would be disposed of at an approved facility. Site preparation for the Project would require the demolition of the existing 19,994 square foot one-story building with a partial basement as well as an unused shed structure currently located in the parking lot. The Project would additionally involve demolition of 19,760 SF of existing paving, full repaving of 4,580 SF of existing drive access road, resurfacing of 9,800 SF of existing parking area, and paving of 13,200 SF of new parking area within the 2.03-acre Site. Demolition activities are expected to take approximately 90 days, including abatement of hazardous materials.

CONSTRUCTION

Construction is planned to occur over 34 months and is anticipated to start in December 2025 with construction completed by September 2028. Construction laydown areas and temporary workspaces are proposed to be located within the existing footprint of the Site. Construction will be phased to align with the Office of the State Fire Marshal's permitting guidelines and the Judicial Council Building Official's requirements. Phase 1 construction (civil, grading, utilities, and foundations) is anticipated to start in December 2025 and be completed by May 2026. Phase 2 construction (structure, building and finish site work) is anticipated to start in December 2026 with construction completed by September 2028. Site work (paving, landscape irrigation, and planting) would occur during the last four to six months of construction. Up to 12 construction workers per day would be anticipated during construction activities.

Depending on the final layout and depth of proposed building foundations, site preparation may disturb areas beyond what have been previously disturbed. It is not anticipated that sidewalks or roadways would be closed to pedestrian or vehicular traffic during construction. Traffic control may be required for a short period of time during material off-loading but would not require road closure.

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Additional pages

Project Location/Schools within 2 miles:

- Cumberland Elementary School [0.3 miles from property]
- Cherry Chase Elementary School [1-mile from property]
- Sunnyvale Middle School [1-mile from property]
- Stratford School [1.3-miles from property]
- Challenger School [1.1-miles from property]
- Fremont High School [1.25-miles from property]
- Nimitz Elementary School [1.6-miles from property]
- Stocklmeir Elementary School [1.9-miles from property]
- Early Horizons [1.9-miles from property]
- South Peninsula Hebrew Day School [1.8-miles from property]
- Mountain View High School [1.75-miles from property]
- Action Day Schools – Mountain View [1.9-miles from property]
- Vargas Elementary School [1-mile from property]
- Bishop Elementary School [1.4-miles from property]
- Columbia Middle School [1.95-miles from property]
- Braly Elementary School [1.25-miles from property]
- Ponderosa Elementary School [1.75-miles from property]