

Resolution No. 2024-59

**Board of Directors, San Mateo County Transit District
State of California**

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**Adopting a Negative Declaration and Approving the Building 200
Replacement Project**

Whereas, the San Mateo County Transit District (District) is the administrative body for the principal public transit and transportation programs in San Mateo County, including SamTrans bus service (SamTrans); and

Whereas, the SamTrans fleet of 300 fixed-route vehicles and 80 paratransit vehicles provides service within San Mateo County, with additional connecting service into adjacent San Francisco and Santa Clara Counties; and

Whereas, SamTrans vehicles are stored and maintained at two locations, one of which is the North Base in the City of South San Francisco; and

Whereas, within North Base, Building 200 is a one-story, 16-foot-tall, 10,650 square foot building that provides office space, storage area, locker rooms, and training space for employees; and

Whereas, District plans project that by Fiscal Year 2032, approximately 300 operators would report to North Base to support expanded transit service; an increase from the existing 208 operators and 28 paratransit-contracted operators; and

Whereas, the District has determined that Building 200 must be expanded or replaced to provide the appropriate amount of space for operators; and

Whereas, the District completed a Settlement Evaluation Study in 2019, which determined that poor soil conditions impacted the usability of the existing Building 200; and

Whereas, the District concluded that it was not cost effective to expand or modify the existing building, and instead, the building must be fully replaced; and

Whereas, the proposed Building 200 Replacement Project (Project) would include demolition of the existing Building 200, site preparation, and construction of a new replacement Building 200 in approximately the same footprint; and

Whereas, the new Building 200 would be a two-story, 27-foot-tall, 19,450 square foot building that would increase space for management offices, operator amenities, bus operations, meeting space, and support spaces; and

Whereas, the District prepared an Initial Study (IS) of the possible environmental effects of the Project; and

Whereas, the IS concluded that the Project would not have a significant effect on the environment and therefore recommended that the District prepare a Negative Declaration (ND); and

Whereas, the District published a Notice of Availability and Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration in the *San Mateo Daily Journal* and posted a copy of the notice and Draft IS/ND document at www.samtrans.com/northbase; and

Whereas, the 21-day public review period of the Draft IS/ND commenced on October 7, 2024 and ended on October 28, 2024; and

Whereas, the District did not receive any comments during the comment period, resulting in no changes in the conclusion of the Draft IS/ND.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved the San Mateo County Transit District Board of

Directors:

1. Hereby finds and declares that, based on its independent judgment following review of the IS/ND and consideration of the record of the Project as a whole, there is no substantial evidence before the Board that the proposed Project will have a significant effect upon the environment; and
2. Hereby finds that the SamTrans Building 200 Replacement Project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore adopts the ND; and
3. Hereby adopts the Building 200 Replacement Project.

Be It Further Resolved the District Secretary is directed to file a Notice of Determination promptly with the County Clerk of San Mateo; and

Be It Further Resolved the record of this action shall be maintained by the Board Secretary at the District's office at 1250 San Carlos Avenue in San Carlos, CA.

Regularly passed and adopted this 4th day of December, 2024 by the following vote:

Ayes: Chuang, Esser, Gee, Medina, Powell, Ratto, Fraser

Noes: None

Absent: Canepa, Mueller



Chair, San Mateo County Transit District

Attest:



Acting District Secretary