



NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO

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FROM

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

PROJECT TITLE: Car Free Ramona Street and California Avenue

PROJECT LOCATION: Ramona Street at Hamilton Ave and California Ave between Birch and El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94301, Santa Clara County

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 2014052101

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City is proposing the permanent closure to vehicles of approximately 200 feet of Ramona Street northwest of the intersection with Hamilton Avenue and the permanent closure to vehicles of approximately 935 ft of California Avenue between Birch and El Camino Real. The “closure” of these streets will only affect vehicles, and the streets will still provide pedestrian, bicycle, and emergency vehicle access. The roadway closures will be accomplished through the installation of removable bollards to allow temporary vehicle access.

In accordance with CEQA, the City of Palo Alto prepared an Addendum to the previously certified Comprehensive Plan 2030 EIR, demonstrating that the prior environmental analysis adequately addresses the potential environmental effects of the project, and the project does not require subsequent environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. The documentation supports the City's finding that the project would not result in significant new issues nor exceed the level of impacts identified in the previously certified EIR requiring additional analysis under CEQA.

This is to advise that the City of Palo Alto City Council (Lead Agency) has approved the project described above on March 10, 2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The previously certified EIR (“Final EIR;” SCH 2014052101) was prepared and evaluated the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
2. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment beyond those impacts previously identified in connection with the Final EIR.
3. Mitigation measures beyond those adopted in connection with the Final EIR were not adopted for the project.
4. Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) beyond that adopted in connection with the Final EIR was not adopted for this project. This project remains subject to the MMRP adopted in 2017, as applicable.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations beyond that adopted in connection with the Final EIR was not adopted for the project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Addendum to the previously certified Comprehensive Plan 2030 EIR is available to the General Public at:

<https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/Departments/Transportation/Transportation-Projects/Car-Free-Streets-Cal-Ave.-Ramona-Street>

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Interim Manager, Current Planning 3/11/2025

Signature (Public Agency)

Title

Date