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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: County Clerk
 County of Santa Clara

Office of Planning and Research
 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
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Project Name	Project Type	APN(s)	Date
Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Facility/Behavioral Health Services Center	Santa Clara Valley Medical Center - Medical Building & Parking Structure	282-04-008, 282-03-016	5/4/2021
Person or Agency Carrying Out Project		Address	
County of Santa Clara, Facilities and Fleet Dept.		2310 North First Street, Suite 200, San Jose, CA 95131	
SCH #	Name of Applicant	Address	Phone Number
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Project Location

The project site is located in Santa Clara County on the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center (SCVMC) campus in San Jose, on a County of Santa Clara-owned parcel (APN 282-04-008) bounded by Ginger Lane, Middle Drive, and Turner Drive. The SCVMC campus is located approximately 400 feet south of Interstate 280 and 700 feet east of CA Highway 17. The campus, which covers approximately 75 acres, supports a hospital and related specialty centers, pharmacy, imaging and lab services, and associated parking. The Behavioral Health Service Center (BHSC) and new project parking structure sites will occupy approximately 4.14 acres of the northern/western portion of the campus. A new surface parking lot will replace the existing Don Lowe Pavilion which currently occupies approximately 0.72 acres of the southern portion of the campus. The BHSC project site is bordered to the south by the Receiving and Support Center (RSC), main hospital and women and children's center to the east across Turner Drive, employee parking structure (PS2) to the north, and school and office uses to the west.

The proposed new parking structure will be constructed on County-owned land directly to the southwest of the BHSC at 2300 Clove Drive (APN 282-03-016), the location of the former Sam Della Maggiore School. This site is bounded by Clove Drive on the south, Ginger Lane to the east, the Timpany Center to the north, and the Chandler Tripp School to the west.

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The Don Lowe Pavilion which will be demolished upon completion of the new BHSC is bordered by Enborg Lane to the south, Enborg Court to the east, Bradley Avenue to the west, and SCVMC campus buildings to the north.

The project site is not on a list of hazardous material sites as described by Government Code 65962.5 (Cortese List).

Project Description

The County is proposing the construction and operation of a new BHSC that will serve as a mental health inpatient/outpatient building. The BHSC will replace and consolidate existing mental health services on the SCVMC campus that are currently located in three separate buildings into one facility. The newly expanded services will serve the behavioral health needs for Santa Clara County and the surrounding communities.

Overall, the project is comprised of a 77 bed BHSC, an underground pedestrian tunnel connection to an existing tunnel system that goes from the Receiving and Support Center (RSC) to the main hospital, a skybridge connection to the Main Hospital Emergency Department, and a new 714 car parking structure.

New services provided will expand the current adult mental health service programs to include outpatient and inpatient services for child and adolescent populations and increase the bed count from 50 to 77 beds. The new BHSC facility will be supported by an approximate 400-person staff that will work in three rotating 82-90 person shifts. The project will require utility improvements (water, sanitary sewer, storm drain) to existing utility pipelines in the surrounding streets. The goal for the project is to complete construction and achieve occupancy by October of 2023.

Construction of the BHSC requires the removal of an existing two-story, 431-space parking structure referred to as Parking Structure #3 (PS3). To replace this lost parking and add parking to serve the new BHSC, a new 714 car parking structure will be constructed on a site that is occupied by a vacant building that formerly housed the Sam Della Maggiore School which will be demolished to construct the new parking structure. The project would include new landscaping features on both building sites. New trees will be planted along Turner Drive, Middle Drive, and Ginger Lane. The BHSC landscaping plan would also include new gardens, artificial turf, lounge areas, and recreation yards on each level of the building.

The project also includes the demolition of the Don Lowe Pavilion which is currently used for mental health services. This building will be demolished once the new BHSC is open for use. The site of the Don Lowe Pavilion would then be used for a surface parking lot for the foreseeable future.

Purpose of Notice

This is to advise that the County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors has approved the above described project on May 4, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval may be examined at the County of Santa Clara Facility and Fleet Department Office.

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2. A Monitoring Program was adopted.
- 3. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 4. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 - a. Mitigation Measures have been made a condition of approval of the project.
- 5. An Environmental Impact Report has been prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 - a. Mitigation Measures have been made a condition of approval of the project.
 - b. A *Statement of Overriding Considerations* was adopted for this project.
 - c. Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

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