



NOTICE

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING NOTICE

Distribution Date: June 18, 2020

Project Title: Greystar General Plan Amendment and Freedom Circle Focus Area

Location: The proposed Freedom Circle Focus Area encompasses approximately 108 gross acres, comprising several moderate-intensity office and industrial parks along with the Santa Clara Marriott hotel. The Plan Area is bounded by San Tomas Aquino Creek to the east, Great America Parkway to the west, Great America Theme Park to the north, and Highway 101 to the south.

Applicant/Owner: City of Santa Clara and Greystar / Various Owners

Mailing Address: 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050

Request: The project consists of two parts: preparation of a Focus Area, to be incorporated into the General Plan; and the Greystar General Plan Amendment. The Freedom Circle Focus Area is envisioned to be an intensely urban environment, with Great America Parkway and Mission College Boulevard retaining their commercial character. The Focus Area would allow, subject to a future planning study, 2,500 dwelling units beyond those anticipated in the Greystar General Plan Amendment, and 2 million square feet of additional office space beyond that allowed under the current high-intensity office designation.

The Greystar General Plan Amendment proposes to change the General Plan land use designation for the 13.3 acre Greystar site from High Intensity Office (maximum Floor Area Ratio of 2.0) to Very High Density Residential (51-100 Dwelling Unit/Acre). The site is bounded by San Tomas Aquino Creek to the East, Freedom Circle to the West, and Highway 101 to the south.

As authorized by the City of Santa Clara as a Lead Agency, the City is seeking the views of responsible agencies and the public as to the scope and content of the environmental information that should be considered for inclusion in the Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project. The project description, location, and potential environmental effects are contained in the materials provided in the form of a Notice of Preparation (NOP). The NOP is available from the Planning Division Office at the address below and is available online at the City's website (www.santaclaraca.gov/CEQA).

Written comments for the Program EIR scope and content will be accepted if they are received by **July 20, 2020**. If you wish to respond in writing, please send your comments to:

Lead Agency: City of Santa Clara, Planning Division
Contact: John Davidson, Principal Planner jdavidson@santaclaraca.gov
1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050
Phone: (408) 615-2450

In addition to providing a written response, you may attend the **Scoping Meeting** that has been set for **July 1, 2020 from 4-5 p.m.** online via zoom: <https://santaclaraca.zoom.us/j/99786350285>
You may also dial in using this number: **1 669-900-6833, Webinar ID: 997 8635 0285**

The session will include a presentation on the project description and will provide an opportunity for agencies and the public to identify issues that they wish to see addressed in the EIR analysis.