



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Jacky Morales-Ferrand

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: December 18, 2018

Approved

D. D. S. L.

Date

12/18/18

SUPPLEMENTAL

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO TITLE 5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD
CHAPTER 5.09, EMERGENCY BRIDGE HOUSING APPROVAL OF SITE
SELECTION AND RELATED ACTIONS**

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL

This supplemental memorandum summarizes the public comments received during the 30-day public review and comment period on the draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the two sites being recommended for Bridge Housing Communities. The draft Initial Study was available for review and public comment from November 9, 2018 to December 8, 2018.

BACKGROUND

The deadline for staff to submit its memorandum for the December 18, 2018, City Council meeting was November 26, 2018. As required by the City's Sunshine Ordinance, the memorandum was made available to the public on December 7, 2018. With the 30-day comment period ending December 8, 2018, the draft Initial Study was still open for public review and comment when the memorandum was posted for public review. The following is a summary of the comments received during the 30-day review period.

ANALYSIS

The Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration for the Bridge Housing Communities Project (Planning File No. PP18-081), the Draft Negative Declaration and the supporting Initial Study were published on November 9, 2018 and were available for public review for 30 days. The Notice of Intent was published in the *San José Post Record* and the *Mercury News* on November 9, 2018. Copies of the documents cited above were available for review on the City's website at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/index.aspx?NID=6238>, at the Reception Desk on the 3rd

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Floor of City Hall, and the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library located at 150 E. San Fernando Street.

The 30-day public comment period started on November 9, 2018 and ended on December 8, 2018. Since the comment period ended on a Saturday, comments were accepted through the end of Monday, December 10, 2018.

A total of two comment letters were received during the comment period:

	Commenter	Date Received
1.	Amah Mutsun Tribal Band	November 13, 2018
2.	Santa Clara Valley Water District	December 6, 2018

The Amah Mutsun Tribal Band commented that the project sites were outside their traditional tribal territory. The Santa Clara Valley Water District clarified the Federal Emergency Management Agency flood zone designations for the sites and stated that the District does not have right-of-way or facilities in the projects locations and therefore no District permit was required.

Responses to the comments have been posted on the City's website at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/index.aspx?NID=6238>.

None of the comments raised any new significant impacts, and no new mitigation measures or conditions are required. There are no revisions to the analysis in the Initial Study in support of the Negative Declaration. The Negative Declaration and the supporting Initial Study are now Final documents.

One general comment on the project was received after the 30-day comment period had concluded and is included below in Attachment A. This comment was received after the public review period and does not raise any questions regarding the CEQA analysis. A formal CEQA response is not required.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

No additional evaluation or follow-up is required in connection with this supplemental memorandum

/s/
JACKY MORALES-FERRAND
Director of Housing

For questions please contact James Stagi, Acting Division Manager at (408) 535-8238.

Attachment

Attachment A

Mahamood, Reema

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 14, 2018 8:05 AM
To: Mahamood, Reema
Subject: (1) Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Staging Site, located across from the San José Flea Market on Mabury Road

Dear Ms. Mahamood,

Im going to be very direct and honest when I say this but having the Bridge Housing directly across the Flea Market/Berryessa Bart site as one of the potential locations to house the homeless is a terrible idea. There is already increase crime and homeless in this section of the city. Not to mention the Santa Clara VTA staging site is directly in front of Coyote Creek where we had large numbers of homeless people entering and living in this part of the creek. This will only encourage and bring larger numbers of homeless people to the area. The area will be filled with crime, drugs, infestation, and pollution.

I seriously doubt you have been to the 101 freeway off of Oakland, there you will find large amounts of trash and pollution on public sidewalks and streets where the homeless population live and leave there stuff. This is a travesty, if the city and county is trying to build up Berryessa Bart Transit Oriented Development as a place to live with Market Park this is definitely the wrong way. And counters any if all positive changes brought to this desperate area.

Sincerely,
Phil H