

## CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO

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DATE:

December 7, 2018

TO:

State Clearinghouse, Responsible and Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties, and County Clerk of

San Mateo County

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SUBJECT:

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report University Plaza Phase II Project

(SCH# 2017052045)

Notice is Hereby Given that the City of East Palo Alto, as the Lead Agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the University Plaza Phase II Project.

Project Location: The project site is located at 2111 University Avenue and is approximately 2.5 acres. The project site includes four parcels, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 063-292-160, 170, 190, and 200.

**Project Description**: The project would demolish the two existing buildings on-site and construct an eight-story structure with approximately 231,883 square feet of office space and a five-story, 284,094-square-foot parking structure with 773 parking spaces. Vehicular and bicycle access to the parking garage would be provided via a fullaccess driveway off Donohoe Street and two right-turn-only driveways off University Avenue. Pedestrian access would be provided to the structures from sidewalks along University Avenue and Donohoe Street. The existing four parcels would be merged into a single parcel. Three protected trees and 27 non-protected trees (30 total trees) would be removed from the project site to accommodate the proposed structures. The project also proposes to shift the northbound United States US 101 (US 101) on-ramp approximately 30 feet east, to line up with the project driveway. Four trees would be removed from the Caltrans right-of-way to accommodate the relocation of the northbound US 101 on-ramp. The existing on-ramp would be removed and the area would be landscaped per Caltrans standards.

**Draft EIR**: Based on the conclusions in the Draft EIR, implementation of the proposed project would result in significant unavoidable project-level and cumulative traffic impacts. All other impacts identified to occur under the proposed project would be reduced to a less than significant level with incorporation of the project-specific mitigation measures identified in the Draft EIR

Availability: The Draft EIR can be viewed at the following locations:

- City of East Palo Alto Planning Division, 1960 Tate Street, East Palo Alto, CA 94303
- East Palo Alto Library, 2415 University Ave, East Palo Alto, CA 94303
- http://www.cityofepa.org/index.aspx?NID=642

Community Meeting: Thursday, January 17, 2018, 2415 University Avenue, East Palo Alto, CA 94303, 7PM

Public Hearing: Public Hearing- East Palo Alto Planning Commission Meeting, January 28, 2019, 7:00 PM; 2415 University Avenue, East Palo Alto, CA 94303

Public Review Period & Comments: December 7, 2018 – February 7, 2019 at 4PM. Written comments should be addressed to: Guido F. Persicone, Planning and Housing Manager, City of East Palo Alto, 1960 Tate Street, East Palo Alto, CA 94303. Alternatively, written comments can also be emailed to gpersicone@cityofepa.org. Emailed comments must include "University Plaza Phase II" in the subject box.