

CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

Department of Development Services

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of San Leandro finds that no significant effect on the environment as prescribed by the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended will occur for the following proposed project:

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A transportation improvement project funded by Measure B monies from Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) that includes:

- 1) Acquisition of center triangle-shaped parcel (APN 077D-1499-001). Demolition of existing building. Remediation of contaminated underground soil in accordance with approved remedial action plan. The remediated site will be developed as a multi-modal-oriented landscaping.
- 2) Acquisition of approximately 300 square feet of right-of-way on the east side of Bancroft Avenue (APN 077E-1606-006-03). Minor adjustment to landscaping area and parking lot striping will be constructed.
- 3) Acquisition of approximately 1,100, 1,700 and 2,900 square-feet of right-of-way from the west side of East 14th Street (APN 077D-1475-026-04, 077D-1475-026-05, and 077D-1475-025-12, respectively). The existing parking lot serving these parcels will be reconfigured by relocating a 60' in height sign structure, restriping the parking lot, closing a commercial driveway, signalizing an existing driveway on Hesperian Boulevard, and reconstructing landscape areas as well as curbs and gutters.
- 4) Addition of traffic channelization improvements on East 14th Street, north of Hesperian Boulevard, including concrete medians, and left-turn pocket on northbound East 14th Street for accessing properties described in #3 above.
- 5) Installation of concrete medians in the blocks between Hesperian Boulevard and 150th Avenue on East 14th Street, and between East 14th Street and 150th Avenue on Hesperian Boulevard.
- 6) Updating of the existing traffic signal equipment at all three intersections.

These improvements will improve the overall intersection level-of-service and pedestrian safety by allowing for the following improvements:

- A) Addition of an additional left-turn lane on southbound E.14th Street at 150th Avenue by widening roadway. This extra pavement width will be obtained by relocating existing sidewalk on the center triangle-shaped parcel.
- B) Addition of an additional left-turn on eastbound Hesperian Boulevard at East 14th Street by eliminating an existing westbound through land.
- C) Installation of a pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Hesperian Boulevard and 150^{th} Avenue.

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II. DECLARATION THAT PROJECT WILL NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT ENVIRONMENT:

The proposed project will have no significant effect on the area's resources, cumulative or otherwise.

III. FINDINGS SUPPORTING DECLARATION:

- A. The project occurs within the City's existing and developed ROW and involves acquisition of a property that formerly housed a gasoline station and acquisition of additional ROW on the east side of Bancroft Ave. and the west side of East 14th St. The acquired property will be used for roadway improvements and for installation of new landscaping. The proposed project is an appropriate use of the property.
- B. The proposed project has been reviewed according to the standards and requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and an Initial Study Environmental Evaluation Checklist has been prepared with a determination that the project will not have a significant impact on the environment and as long as the applicant complies with all identified mitigation measures.
- C. Potential impacts to hazards can be adequately mitigated as long as mitigation identified by staff is implemented prior to issuance of grading permits. The mitigation measures are conditions of approval.
- D. There is no evidence of historical or archaeological resources within the project area. Potential impacts to unknown resources can be adequately mitigated as long as mitigation identified by staff is implemented during the construction phase. The mitigation measures are conditions of approval.

IV. PERSON WHO PREPARED INITIAL STUDY:

Kathleen L	vermore, Senior Planner, City of San Lea	andro
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Dated:	December 14, 2011	

V. REVIEW PERIOD:

The review period is from December 16, 2011 through January 17, 2012. All written comments

regarding this Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received by the City of San Leandro, Community Development Department, 835 E. 14th Street, San Leandro, California 94577, no later than 5:00 P.M., Tuesday January 17, 2012.

COPY OF INITIAL STUDY IS ATTACHED

For additional information, please contact Kathleen Livermore, Senior Planner for the Community Development Department, 835 East 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94577, telephone (510) 577-3350, or e-mail klivermore@sanleandro.org.