

City of Sunnyvale Community Meeting Block 20 Q & A Report

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1	The orange dotted line includes areas outside the addresses mentioned. Will that area also be included in recommendations that come out of this meeting?	Melinda Hamilton	We hope that the slides and information clarified the subject properties, as well as the focus and purpose of tonight's meeting. If you have additional questions, want to confirm or clarify, please submit another question. We have time allocated to answer questions later in the meeting.	
2	You didn't answer my original question. The council asked to have the entire block reviewed. You are proposing we only discuss four properties, but there are at least two more south of 568 that you don't mention at all. If changes are being proposed to block 20 as a whole, when do we get to discuss those other two properties? Or are no changes being discussed for those two properties?	Melinda Hamilton	Hi Melinda, The amendment covers the entire block. The current land use map separates the northern block with residential and the southern block is designated for office. There is not a request to redevelop two office building to the south at this time.	
3	What about bike lane on Mathilda?	Erin Jew	Bike Lane is to remain.	
4	Didn't the owners of the Imaging center want to re-do thier building to include more residential? But the current didn't allow it?	Sue Harrison	They need to go through an amendment because the zoning designation only allows for office currently. The additional residential units will need to be capture in the amendment.	
5	How many stories is 40 feet high in the high density housing project?	Gina Lermant	It depends on the floor plate heights, but 40 feet can accommodate 3-4 stories	
6	it's not clear. new proposed office space is 36k but proposed is only 8k	Apurva Samudra	The 36K would be the maximum allowed for the block. Currently, there is 16,400 square feet of existing commercial square footage. To clarify, the two project area are contemplating additional 14,470 square feet of new commercial square footage.	
7	Who (what entity) is proposing the changes at 510/528?	Paul King	The applicant for 510/528 S. Mathilda withdrew their application. However, the City Council direction was to study the entire block and therefore was kept in to allow input because redevelopment of the site is still feasible.	
8	Maybe you plan to discuss this already: what potential impact can the designation of mixed use have on the legal possible height of these building?	Sonal Gupta	live answered	
9	Would these slides be available online? it's difficult provide input when we have no access to these beforehand.	Apurva Samudra	Yes, we will have the materials posted to our website and we will share the web page address with the group.	

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10	Could you share the slides now so we can give feedback in this meeting?	Sonal Gupta	Please let me know if you got this question answer.	
11	but that would be after public input. may I request another input meeting once we have had time to review them	Apurva Samudra	Yes, you will be able to provide comments during the public hearing with Planning Commission and City Council.	
12	Happy about the extra housing. Puzzled as to why the units at the end don't touch the outside as well as the inside of the donut.	Sue Harrison	live answered	those units can face either the outside or the inside. Either way would work.
13	How's the approval process going? Who will cast votes rejecting/in favor of the proposal?	Jess X	There are several milestones. It requires a public hearing with Planning Commission and City Council. City Council approval will formally adopt the amendment to the Downtown Specific Plan.	
14	Is anything special being done to handle potential increased traffic on Mathilda Ave/El Camino, particularly during peak commute times.	Pavithra Ramesh	Traffic will be reviewed as part of the amendment and during the project level review for entitlements.	
15	Can you please answer my question of what's the impact by changing the designation to mixed use on legal possible height, if any?	Sonal Gupta	live answered	We can come back to answer this question.
16	I work at Cumberland Elementary School, and we are impacted with our number of students. Where will all these new students attend school in Sunnyvale?	Gina Lermant	Most likely they will. The projects would pay the applicable school district fees.	
17	I have a quick follow up question. I didn't use all my time if you're willing to grant me a quick question.	Melinda Hamilton	That would be ok. Please raise your hand again.	
18	I can ask it here. Since SiliconSage is located right next door, is there any possibility this property could be developed by them? Or it is under contract with them?	Melinda Hamilton	No, they filed for Bankruptcy. The sites in receivership.	The reciever is currently looking to sell Silicon Sages properties.
19	I understand. It's possible that there was some sort of arrangement that predated the receivership. Just checking.	Melinda Hamilton		
20	Have you done any analysis on what impact the doubled residential units will have on the traffic on El Camino Real/Mathilda Ave? Will it getting even worse?	Jess X	Hi Jess, not yet. Once we have an idea on the unit count and commercial sqare footage, then we would look at that through the environmental review.	
21	The last time we discussed the Mezzetta building, it was a SiliconSage project. Is that still true?	Melinda Hamilton	It was, but now its with the reciever.	

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22	isn't elevator overrun intended to allow for space for cable elevator equipment? I assume this is going to be a hydraulic elevator.	Bill Weaver	live answered	
23	Cindy Hom - There is currently no bike lane on that side of Mathilda! So how can you say it will "remain?"	Erin Jew	live answered	Sorry, to clarify, the DSP envision bike lanes on both side of Mathilda between El Camino and Evelyn. This requirement would remain. When a site is redeveloped, the applicant would be required to install as part of their frontage improvements.
24	we need to build a bike lane!!	Sonal Gupta	live answered	Bike lane is planned under the Active Transportation Plan.
25	I don't get it. Why is the City of Sunnyvale presenting the ghost plans of a company now in bankruptcy.	Paul King	The Council wanted us to look at the entire block. We are using what we had from Silicon Sage.	
26	Why are we discussing making such massive changes against what council directed if there is no active application? You know that no developer is going to build someone else's project so what is the point of going so aggressively large?	Melinda Hamilton	The amendment would just establish development standards for a future project. This is what the applicants have proposed, but it doesn't mean we have to move the proposal forward, since the height is an issue.	
27	Why was the project with the affordable housing project withdrawn?	Sue Harrison	It was the Silicon Sage site on the corner of Olive and Mathilda. The receiver decided to liquidate the properties and sell it as is.	
28	I was not unmuted	Apurva Samudra		
29	Can the vintage house at 562 S Mathilda be saved or relocated to preserve its heritagem	Anne Langer	live answered	
30	Thank you.	Melinda Hamilton		