

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE
CITY OF BURLINGAME 2040 GENERAL PLAN
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Date: June 19, 2019

To: Interested Agencies, Individuals, and Organizations

Subject: **Notice of Availability of Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report for City of Burlingame 2040 General Plan (SCH# 2017082018)**

Lead Agency: City of Burlingame – 501 Primrose Road, Burlingame, CA 94010

Applicant: Same as Lead Agency

Project Location: City of Burlingame, approximately 16 miles south of San Francisco and approximately 30 miles northwest of San Jose

Project Description: In 2015, the City of Burlingame commenced a three-year endeavor that updated the community's vision for the future and set forth policies to implement this vision. These policies constitute the Burlingame 2040 General Plan, also known as Envision Burlingame. On January 7, 2019, the Burlingame City Council certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR, State Clearinghouse Number 2017082018) for the 2040 General Plan and adopted the 2040 General Plan.

The City has developed a 2030 Climate Action Plan Update (2030 CAP Update) to carry out General Plan Implementation Program 52: Climate Action Plan, which directs the City to prepare a climate change sustainability assessment strategy that evaluates the city's susceptibility to climate change and identifies tool/strategies to mitigate impacts, and General Plan Policy CC-1.1: Climate Action Plan, which directs the City to maintain up-to-date Climate Action Plan policies and continue to provide sustainability reports. The 2030 CAP Update compiles all the climate action related goals and policies contained in the General Plan into a single, comprehensive document for addressing GHG emissions in the city. The proposed 2030 CAP Update provides new estimates of existing GHG emissions within the city; forecasts future GHG emissions for 2020, 2030, 2040, and 2050; and identifies GHG reductions resulting from State legislation and GHG reduction measures contained in the CAP. Although nearly all measures identified in the proposed 2030 CAP Update are directly tied to the City's 2040 General Plan policies, the 2030 CAP Update proposes the modification and addition of several policies to the General Plan, including:

- CAP Measure 9, Electrification of Yard and Garden Equipment, would add a new policy to the General Plan, Policy HP-2.16: Electrification of Yard and Garden Equipment, that would support the transition of lawn and garden equipment from combustion fuels to electric power.
- CAP Measure 10, Construction Best Management Practices, would amend existing General Plan Policy HP-3.12: Construction Best Management Practices to support the transition of certain construction equipment from combustion fuels to electric power.

- CAP Measure 15, Alternatively-Powered Residential Water Heaters, would add a new policy to the General Plan, Policy HP-2.17: Alternatively-Powered Residential Water Heaters, to support the transition from tank-based, natural gas water heaters to solar, electrically-powered, or natural gas tankless water heaters in residential development.
- CAP Measure 20, Increase the Public Tree Population, would amend existing General Plan Policy CC-2.2: Increase the Public Street Tree Population to support planting of trees in other public areas besides streets.

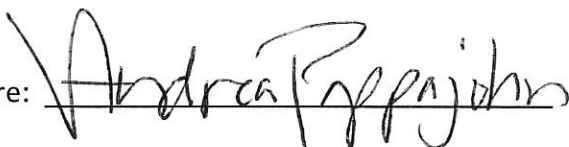
The proposed 2030 CAP Update and associated General Plan amendments constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The proposed 2030 CAP Update and General Plan amendments have been designed with the expressed purpose of reducing environmental effects. The 2040 General Plan EIR identified significant environmental effects in the following areas: Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Paleontological Resources, Noise, and Transportation and Circulation. The City has determined that the proposed 2030 CAP Update and associated General Plan amendments would result in similar or lower magnitude environmental impacts than identified in the certified 2040 General Plan EIR. There are no new significant environmental impacts or previously identified significant impacts made more severe by project changes, new circumstances, or new information. The City, therefore, has determined that an EIR addendum should be prepared as the appropriate CEQA document to address project revisions in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164.

Request for Comments: CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(c) provides that an addendum need not be circulated for public review; however, the purpose of this Notice of Availability is to request comments on the 2030 CAP Update, proposed General Plan amendments, and EIR Addendum the City has prepared for the Burlingame 2040 General Plan Project any agencies, persons, or organizations concerned with the environmental effects of the 2030 CAP Update and associated General Plan amendments. The starting and ending dates for the review period during which time the City will receive comments on the proposed 2030 CAP Update, General Plan Amendments, and EIR Addendum are June 19, 2019 and July 3, 2019, respectively. **Please send your written response by the earliest possible date, but no later than 5 PM on Wednesday, July 3, 2019 to Ms. Andrea Pappajohn, Sustainability and Climate Management Fellow, 501 Primrose Road, Burlingame, CA 94010 or to apappajohn@burlingame.org (enter "2030 CAP Update" or "General Plan EIR Addendum" in the 'Subject' line).** Agency responses should include the name of a contact person at the agency.

Document Availability: Copies of this document are available at the following locations: (1) The Sustainability Department's website, (2) the City's Planning Department, 501 Primrose Road, Burlingame, CA 94010, (3) the Burlingame Main Library, 480 Primrose Road, Burlingame, CA 94010, and (4) the Burlingame Library Easton Branch, 1800 Easton Drive, Burlingame, CA 94010.

<http://www.burlingame.org/climateactionplan>

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