

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa

From: Contra Costa County
Dept. of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

State Clearinghouse Number: SCH# 2015112003

Project Title: Downtown Martinez Jail Demolition Project
Project No. WO5885, CP# 15-39

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Project Location: 650 Pine Street, Martinez, California.

Project Description: The Project would involve demolition and removal of the existing Jailhouse building, including all building elements (i.e., foundations, roof equipment, and building appurtenances). The basement of the Jailhouse building and the sunken garage would also be demolished and filled. The existing Jailhouse building consists of the original structure, built in 1903, and an annex built in 1944. The Jailhouse building is on the National Register of Historic Places. The Jailhouse building is approximately 19,008 gross square feet and 35 feet in height. There are seven parking spaces in a parking lot to the south of the building and five in a parking lot to the north of the building. The Jailhouse is currently vacant (with the exception of a limited amount of obsolete storage). The Jailhouse building is currently contaminated with hazardous materials including asbestos and lead-based paint.

Following demolition of the existing Jailhouse building, the Project site would be leveled to match the surrounding area and a surface parking lot would be constructed on the Project site. As described above, the existing parking lots have a total of 12 striped parking spaces. The County Public Works Department would repave the entire site, providing a total of 25 to 30 spaces. The proposed parking lot would serve some of the parking demand from the adjacent County buildings and would be restricted to County employees only. Construction activities would include abatement of hazardous materials and the demolition of the existing Jailhouse, site preparation and excavation, site grading, and paving of the new parking lot. Additionally, the Project would include the demolition and removal of all other site features, including building footings, granite bollards, granite curb, concrete curb, metal railings, walls, paving, and limited portions of sidewalks within the Project site. All existing planters and landscaping would be removed as well. The Project would have significant effects with regard to historic architectural resources, biological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, and noise. With the exception of historic architectural resources, these impacts could be reduced to a less-than-significant level with mitigation. The Project site is not included on a hazardous materials/contaminated sites list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

State CEQA Guidelines Section 15093 requires the Board of Supervisors “to balance, as applicable, the economic, legal, social, technological or other benefits, including region-wide or statewide environmental benefits, of a proposed project against its unavoidable environmental risk when determining whether to approve the project. If the specific economic, legal, social, technological or other benefits of a proposal outweigh the unavoidable adverse environmental effects, the adverse environmental effects may be considered “acceptable”.

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The project was approved on:

1. The project will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Notice of Determination sent to Office of Planning and Research.*

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

Contra Costa County Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553

Signature (Contra Costa County): _____ Title: _____

Date: _____ Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____ I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature _____ Title: _____

<p>Applicant: Public Works Department 255 Glacier Drive Martinez, CA 94553 Attn: Leigh Chavez Environmental Services Division Phone: (925) 313-2366</p>	<p>Department of Fish and Game Fees Due</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$3,078.²⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$2,216.²⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> DeMinimis Findings - \$0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation & Development - \$25</p>	<p>Total Due: \$ _____ Total Paid \$ _____ Receipt #: _____</p>
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*Notice of Determination may be sent by fax to (916) 323-3018, if followed up with a duplicate mailed copy.