

August 26, 2020

Neighborhood Notice

RE: Emergency Shelter installation to restore bed capacity at City of Santa Rosa Homeless Shelter Property – 4020 Finley Avenue

Dear Neighbors,

The City of Santa Rosa is contracting with Graves Construction to construct an emergency shelter at Samuel L. Jones Hall (SJH) Homeless Shelter, located at 4020 Finley Avenue, to restore available shelter bed capacity back to pre-COVID-19 occupancy, while maintaining social distancing requirements. SJH is a critical facility providing shelter and services to persons experiencing homelessness. In March 2020, to put measures in place to help protect SJH guests from COVID-19, it was necessary to relocate some individuals to other sites so that required social distancing measures could be implemented at SJH, resulting in a loss of 56 beds. The purpose of the emergency shelter project is to restore these critically needed shelter beds at SJH, not to increase overall bed capacity at the facility.

About the Project: ID No. 02328

The project scope includes installation of an expedited emergency shelter building constructed in the rear parking lot, expected to be about 8,000 square feet. Additional improvements to the prefabricated building will be necessary for the health and safety of SJH guests and staff, and includes a building foundation, electrical service, heating and air conditioning, fire sprinklers, security cameras, and accessibility. To prevent harm to endangered Tiger Salamanders and plant species on site, the improvements will be limited to the existing paved areas.

Temporary impacts to your neighborhood are expected to include noise during construction hours from 8:00am to 5:00pm, deliveries to the project site, trucks entering and exiting the roadway at the project site, and temporary short-term traffic control on Finley Avenue.

Construction is expected to begin in September 2020, and last approximately four months.

Contact for Questions about the Project Scope or Construction

Please contact me, Camron Macdonald, at (707) 543-3769 or <u>CMacdonald@srcity.org</u> for questions related to the construction project. Additionally, the City has created a website where you can track the progress of this project. Simply go to <u>srcity.org/CIP</u>, view the map, and click on the blue map pin that corresponds to this project. You can also view the list of all Capital Improvement Program projects and find this project under Project ID No: 02328.

About Efforts to Address Homelessness Amid COVID-19

The expansion at SJH is one of several projects implemented by the City during COVID-19 to protect persons experiencing homelessness and the community at large from spread of the virus. Other efforts include the provision of hotel rooms for high-risk sheltered and unsheltered individuals, the activation of a Safe Social Distancing Program in a section of the parking lot at Finley Community Center, and placement of sanitary facilities at or near known encampments.

Contact for Questions About the City's Homeless Services Efforts

More information about the City's efforts to address homelessness during COVID-19 is available on the City's website at <u>srcity.org/COVID19HomelessSupport</u>. If you have any questions about SJH operations, please contact Kelli Kuykendall at (707) 543-3315, or <u>kkuykendall@srcity.org</u>.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are aware of other occupants on your property who may not receive this notice, please share this notification with them or contact me with their address, and I will notify them directly.

Sincerely,

 \mathbf{C} ral Camron Macdonald (Aug 25, 2020 17:44 PDT)

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