SMCCCD Student Housing Community Forum

September 19, 2023

On the evening of Monday, September 18, 2023, San Mateo County Community College District (SMCCCD) held the first of two student housing community forums with nearby neighbors. Residents were notified of the project details and two upcoming community forums through a mailed letter dated September 5th. Approximately 350 notification letters were sent to the addresses highlighted in blue below.



At the September 18th meeting, many attendees expressed opposition to the originally planned building site in College of San Mateo Parking Lot W. That site was selected as part of the District's <u>2022 Facilities</u> <u>Master Plan</u>. Development of that plan included community forums and consultation with all the college and District constituency groups.

As part of the District's student housing funding application process and the subsequent announcement of funding awardees, the District was told that the project site and scope were locked. Hearing the feedback from those in attendance at the September 18th meeting, Interim Chancellor Melissa Moreno announced that she would direct District staff to open discussions with the California Community College Chancellor's Office to determine if the student housing project could be moved to another parking lot on campus farther away from neighbors' homes.

Those discussions began the morning of September 19, and efforts are underway in seeking approval to move the student housing from Parking Lot W to Parking Lot B (see attached campus map), as recommended by attendees at the prior meeting. Until we get more information on whether the project can be moved, we ask you to share your questions, concerns, and feedback about the project through the attached survey.

After an answer regarding a site move is received from the State Chancellor's office and survey results are compiled, a third community forum will be held on Tuesday, October 17, at 6 pm to provide an update and answer any new questions.

In addition to the attached survey, feedback can be provided anytime by visiting <u>smccd.edu/feedback</u>.

Community Survey on SMCCCD Housing

- 1. Do you support student housing on the College of San Mateo campus? Yes No
- 2. Please share your top three topics of concern around student housing on the College of San Mateo campus.

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- 4. What other questions do you have about this project?

3. Which location would you prefer student housing to be located?

