



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

1237 San Antonio Road
22PLN-00113

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BACKGROUND

Project Homekey

The City has been awarded a \$26.6 Million grant to construct an interim housing shelter at a portion of the Former Los Altos Treatment Plant (LATP) site (Area C)



GreenWaste

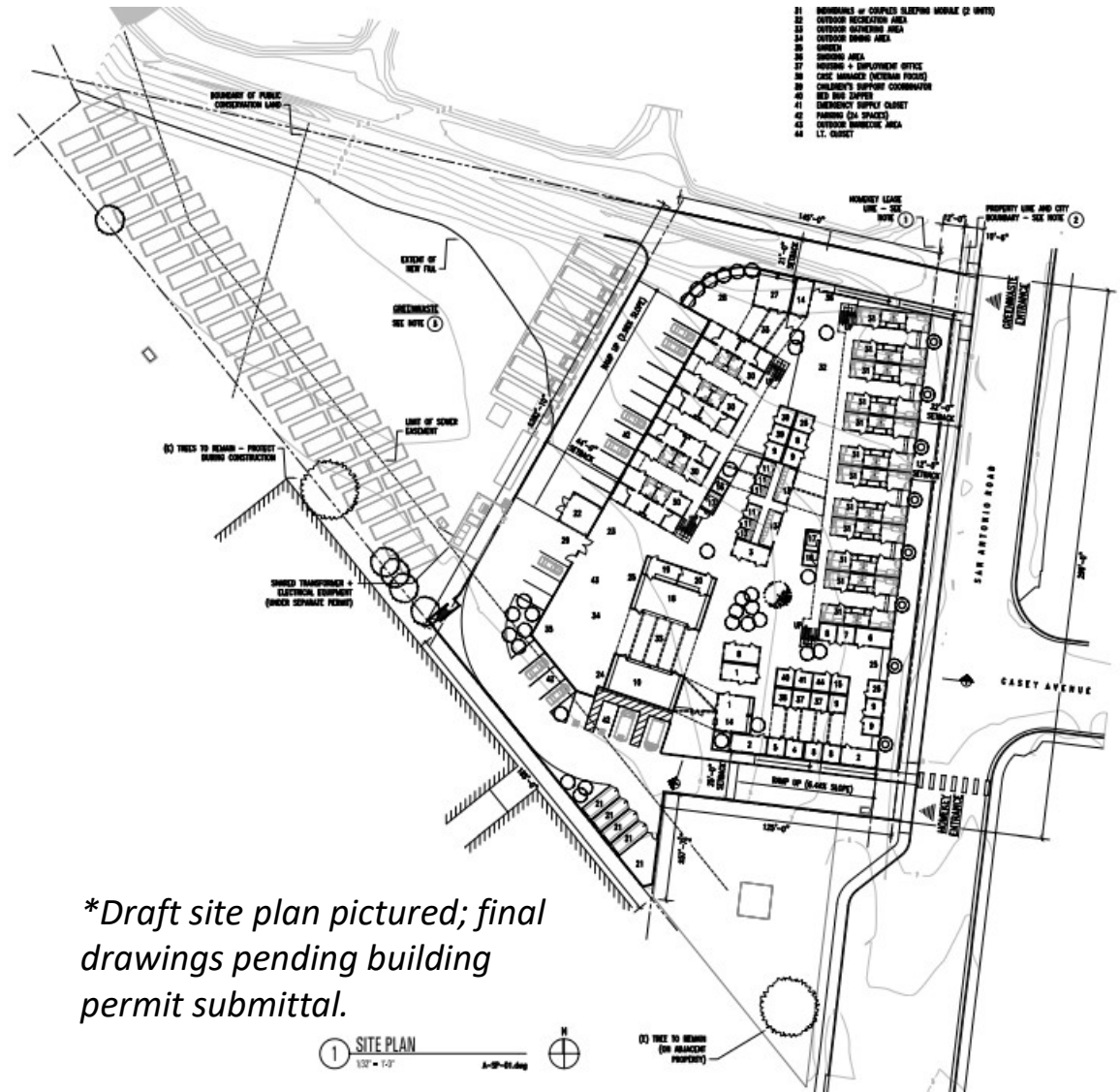
As a part of the Homekey project, the GreenWaste transfer station will be relocated to the northwestern portion of Area C, creating the need for a Comp Plan Amendment.

PROJECT LOCATION



FOR INFORMATION:

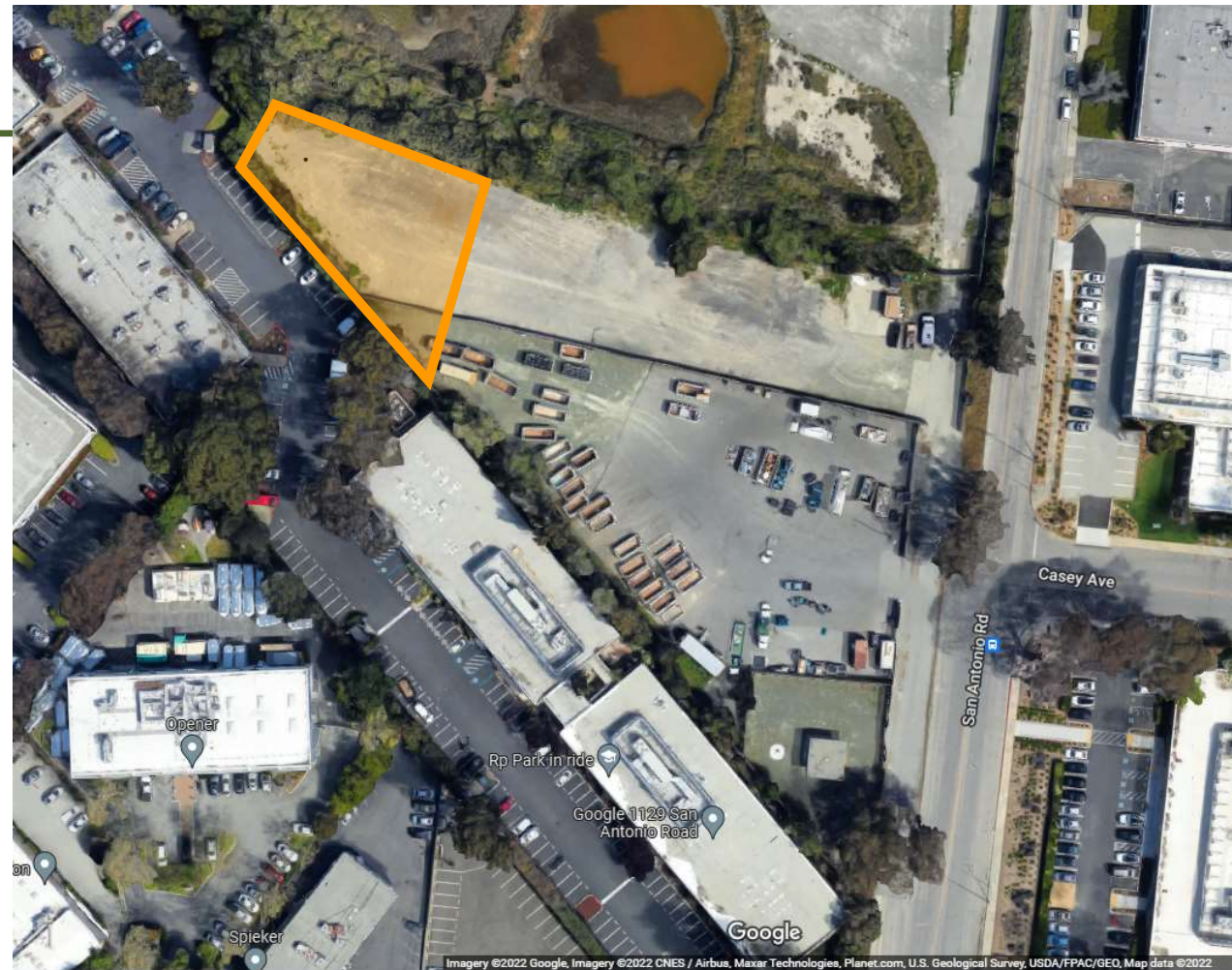
Homekey site plan* with GreenWaste located on the northwestern portion of Area C



**Draft site plan pictured; final drawings pending building permit submittal.*

AERIAL

Northern portion of the site has been used for construction staging in the past



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Palo Alto Comprehensive Plan contains the City's official policies on land use and community design, etc. and is focused on the physical form of the city.

It is used by City staff to regulate development. It is used by citizens to understand the City's long-range plans for different geographic areas. The Plan provides the basis for the City's capital improvements program.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Comprehensive Plan Amendment for an approximately 11,800 sf portion of the subject site to change the Land Use Map Designation from "Public Conservation Land" to "Major Institution/Special Facilities".

- This change would allow GreenWaste to fully utilize their new site after relocation



COMP PLAN DESIGNATIONS

Land Use Map Designation from "Public Conservation Land" to "Major Institution/Special Facilities".

Publicly Owned Conservation Land: Open lands whose primary purpose is the preservation and enhancement of the natural state of the land and its plants and animals. Only resource management, recreation and educational activities compatible with resource conservation are allowed.

Major Institution/Special Facilities: Institutional, academic, governmental and community service uses and lands that are either publicly owned or operated as non-profit organizations. Examples are hospitals and City facilities. Consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's encouragement of housing near transit centers, higher density multi-family housing may be allowed in specific locations.



Other

-  SOFA II CAP
 -  SOFA I CAP
 -  School District Land
 -  Major Institution/Special Facility
 -  Streamside Open Space
 -  Public Park
 -  Open Space/Controlled Development
 -  Public Conservation Land
- ### Stanford University Land Use Designations
-  Academic Campus
 -  Campus Residential - Low Density
 -  Campus Residential - Moderate Density
 -  Open Space/Field Research

Environmental Review

Numerous state laws, including but not limited to AB 140 (2021) and AB 2553 (2020) have exempted emergency shelter projects, and specifically projects funded by Homekey, from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Specifically, the proposed resolution changing the land use designation of the site is exempt under Government Code section 8698.4, subdivision (a)(4) (AB 2553) as an action to facilitate the lease of City owned land for a homeless shelter.



RECOMMENDED MOTION

The Planning and Transportation Commission (PTC) recommend that Council take the following action:

- Adopt the attached Resolution amending the Comprehensive Plan land use designation at 1237 San Antonio Road to create alignment between the use of the land and its designation.





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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

Per State regulations, it can be amended up to 4 times each year.

Amendments may be initiated by property owners, the PTC, the City Council or City staff. All amendments require public hearings by the PTC and City Council and evaluation of the potential impacts to Palo Alto's physical environment, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

