

From: [Hill, Shannon](#)
To: [Karl Heisler](#); [Keyon, David](#)
Cc: [Linda S. Peters](#); [Hillary Gitelman](#); [Downtown West Project](#)
Subject: RE: Downtown West comments
Date: Friday, December 18, 2020 2:02:32 PM
Attachments: [Jordan Weinberg Public Access 100820.pdf](#)

Oops! The additional comment letter mentioned in my email is now attached.

Thanks,
Shannon

From: Hill, Shannon
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 2:01 PM
To: Karl Heisler <KHeisler@esassoc.com>; Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>
Cc: Linda S. Peters <lpeters@esassoc.com>; Hillary Gitelman <HGitelman@esassoc.com>;
Downtown West Project <downtownwest@esassoc.com>
Subject: RE: Downtown West comments

Got it Karl, I can remove the HLC PDFs from the compiled PDF posted on the website. I mostly wanted to make sure you received the HLC emails.

Regarding your request, see attached. Also, the attached email from Jordan Weinberg seems to be missing from your list, and it was sent in response to the EIR, so it should be acknowledged as a comment and responded to as appropriate.

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From: Karl Heisler <KHeisler@esassoc.com>
Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>; Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>
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Shannon: Those e-mails were sent to the HLC in advance of the Commission's hearing on November 4. Given that the direction was that we are only going to respond to HLC Commissioners' comments, and because these two e-mails do not mention the EIR, I don't believe that we should be

including them among the EIR comments.

Regarding another comment—are/were you able to open the Scorecard or Letter to which Catalyze SV included links in their e-mail of November 11? I get directed to a Google Drive location to which I do not have access.

Thank you.

Karl F. Heisler

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From: Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>

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Sorry about that, here you go.

Thanks,

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From: Karl Heisler <KHeisler@esassoc.com>

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Shannon: I did not receive any attachments.

Karl F. Heisler

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From: Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 11:18 AM

To: Karl Heisler <KHeisler@esassoc.com>; Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>

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Hi Karl,

I've confirmed that all comments that require a response are included in your summary. However, I want to make sure you received the two attached emails regarding historic resources.

Also, please note that comments in support of the project, along with comments that did not require a response or have already been responded to, are included in the comments posted on the City's [EIR webpage](#).

Thanks!

Shannon Hill, Planner

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From: Karl Heisler <KHeisler@esassoc.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 7:01 PM

To: Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>; Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>

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Subject: Downtown West comments

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David, Shannon: Below is a link from which you can download the marked-up comments on the DEIR. The letters and e-mails are organized alphabetically in three groups—public agencies, organizations/companies, and individuals. In each letter or e-mail, the comments are numbered and the comment letter/e-mail assigned a name at the top of the first page. So, for example, the first comment from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District would be referred to as BAAQMD-1.

[Markup_2020-1217.pdf](#)

I also attach the list of comments for review/response by City staff, as well as the list of comments for review/response (provision of information) by the project applicant.

I will send out the list of proposed Master Responses and the comments that are grouped within each Master Response tomorrow.

Thank you.

Karl F. Heisler

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From: [Jordan W](#)
To: [Hill, Shannon](#)
Subject: Public Comment - EIR Downtown West
Date: Thursday, October 8, 2020 7:34:38 AM

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Dear Ms. Shannon Hill,

I struggle to understand how Downtown West is "destined to be a true part of the city - the opposite of a traditional corporate campus", as Laura Crescimano states, when the Active Use areas are entirely surrounded by Office space, and are likewise dwarfed in size and area. The Downtown West project takes formerly publicly-owned land and reduces public access through office construction. In addition, public green space along Los Gatos Creek and the Guadalupe River now abuts office space, extending the domain of private control to the creek's edge, and thus to the creek itself. The entirety of the plan between Park Avenue and Santa Clara Street now limits public access to public green space with development forming a physical barrier between public roads and public green space - undoubtedly added security over the corporate campus is necessary and could result in restriction of movement by private security, to access a public domain. The plan takes no steps to address these concerns and instead endorses the creeping privatization in public spaces.

Thank you,
Jordan Weinberg

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