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To: [Karl Heisler](#); [Hillary Gitelman](#); [Linda S. Peters](#)
Cc: [Keyon, David](#); [Downtown West Project](#)
Subject: FW: DTW Use General Plan Amendment: Tribal Comment
Date: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 12:21:36 PM

Hi All,

Please refer to the comment below, which was received in response to notice sent to tribal contacts pursuant to SB 18 for proposed General Plan amendments.

Thanks,

Shannon Hill
Planner, Environmental Review
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement
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From: Han, James
Sent: Thursday, March 4, 2021 10:01 AM
To: Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>
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Subject: FW: Downtown West Mixed Use General Plan Amendment

Hi Shannon,

For your records, please see email below regarding the GPA for DT West from one of the Tribe Members.

Thanks,
James Han
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City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street
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For More Information Please Visit: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning>

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I am working remotely in accord with governor's and City's direction.
I will monitor email during this time.

From: Admin User <admin@kanyonconsulting.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 12:26 PM
To: Han, James <James.Han@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Downtown West Mixed Use General Plan Amendment

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To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Kanyon Sayers-Roods. I am writing this on behalf of the Indian Canyon Band of Costanoan Ohlone People as requested, responding to your letter dated : Mar 3,2021

As this area in question is adjacent to a site that has been identified and recorded as culturally sensitive, we recommend that a Native American Monitor and an Archaeologist be present on-site at all times. In the event that any disruptive surveying or earth movement transpires.

Kanyon Konsulting, LLC has numerous Native Monitors available for projects such as this, if applicable, along with Cultural Sensitivity Training at the beginning of each project. This service is offered to aid those involved in the project to become more familiar with the indigenous history of the peoples of this land that is being worked on.

Kanyon Konsulting, LLC believes in having a strong proponent of honoring truth in history, when it comes to impacting cultural resources and potential ancestral remains. We have seen that projects like these tend to come into an area to consult/mitigate and move on shortly after. Doing so has the strong potential to impact cultural resources and disturb ancestral remains. Because of these possibilities, we highly recommend that you receive a specialized consultation provided by our company as the project commences.

As previously stated, our goal is to **Honor Truth in History**. And as such we want to ensure that there is an effort from the project organizer to take strategic steps in ways that **#HonorTruthinHistory**. This will make all involved aware of the history of the indigenous communities whom we acknowledge as the first stewards and land managers of these territories.

Potential Approaches to Ingenious Culture Awareness/History:

--Signs or messages to the audience or community of the territory being developed. (ex. A commerable plaque or as advantageous as an Educational/Cultural Center with information about the history of the land)

-- Commitment to consultation with the native peoples of the territory in regards to presenting messaging about the natives/Indigenous history of the land (Land Acknowledgement on website, written material about the space/org/building/business/etc)

-- Advocation of supporting indigenous lead movements and efforts. (informing one's audience and/or community about local present Indigenous community)

We look forward to working with you.

Best Regards,

Kanyon Sayers-Roods
Creative Director/Tribal Monitor
Kanyon Konsulting, LLC

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