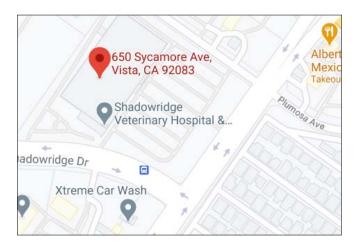


# MARCH 2021 SOUTH VISTA NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

# CITY COUNCIL — April 13

Preliminary Review of Proposed General Plan Amendment and Zone Change at 650 Sycamore



The owners of the former Burlington site, the Charles Company, at Shadowridge/Sycamore have submitted a request for change of the General Plan and zoning from Commercial to Mixed Use. This preliminary proposal is scheduled for discussion at City Council on April 13.

The total site is about 8.3 acres in size.

According to the conceptual plan, all existing structures would be razed. A 3,000 sq. ft. commercial space would be constructed near the existing driveway from Shadowridge.

The conceptual plan includes 217 apartments in four buildings and 39 townhome units in five buildings (256 total, all three-story).

The staff report and preliminary design will be available to the public the week before the Council meeting.

# SVC feels strongly that this project is too large and too dense for this location.

- Vista is currently meeting all requirements for the Regional Housing Needs Alliance — does not need this project.
- The Sycamore/Shadowridge intersection, and extending to the SR 78 on- and off-ramps, is already congested this project would increase congestion immensely.

#### **FOLLOWING UP**

Preliminary Review of Proposed General Plan Amendment and Zone Change at 1205 Melrose Way

According to Community Development Director John Conley, the owner of this property has not yet submitted a formal application; the City is waiting to see if he will move forward.

## Proposed zone change for high-density development on Smilax (in the county)

Unfortunately, in spite of excellent presentations from the neighborhood residents of the negative impacts the proposed development would inflict on their neighborhood, the County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the project

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- It is not hard to envision this increased traffic extending into the surrounding neighborhoods as drivers cut through, trying to avoid the increased traffic.
- Sufficient parking for all these residents and their visitors would be difficult to provide with this number of residential units. We have already seen the negative impacts of insufficient parking in neighborhoods adjacent to Breeze Hill Road.

Check the preliminary design and staff report the week before the City Council meeting — April 13 — and let Council members know this project is too much, too dense.

Or email your Council members at -

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<u>Project Clean Water</u> is launching a public education campaign to raise awareness of stormwater issues and encourage behaviors that promote water quality.

The campaign will kick off on Monday, <u>March 22</u>. Show your love of clean water on World Water Day March 22! Head out to your local beach at 10:30 am for a socially distanced individual paddle out! You can also contact Leila Sadrieh at the City of Vista, LSadrieh@cityofvista.com.

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