



**City of Palo Alto**  
**Department of Planning and Community Environment**  
**California Environmental Quality Act**  
**NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A**  
**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

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**TO:** Responsible and Trustee Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**FROM:** City of Palo Alto  
250 Hamilton Ave  
Palo Alto, CA 94301

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 2747 and 3045 Park Boulevard Office Project

The City of Palo Alto will be the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and will prepare a project EIR for the project identified below.

**AGENCIES:** The City of Palo Alto requests the views of public agencies as to the scope and content of the environmental information that is germane to the agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed Project, in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b), if the agency will need to use the EIR prepared by the City of Palo Alto when considering any permit or other approval for the project.

**ORGANIZATIONS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:** The City of Palo Alto requests comments and concerns from organizations and interested parties regarding the environmental issues associated with construction and operation of the proposed project.

**PROJECT TITLE:** 2747 and 3045 Park Boulevard Office Projects

**PROJECT APPLICANT:** Jay Paul Company, Four Embarcadero Center, Suite 3620, San Francisco, CA 94111

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project consists of two separate office projects on three parcels in the City of Palo Alto in Santa Clara County. The 2747 Park Boulevard site is located on 1.53 acres and comprises of two parcels (APNs #132-31-042 & 71) located at 2747 and 2785 Park Boulevard. This site is on the northwest side of Park Boulevard between Sheridan Avenue and Page Mill Road. The 3045 Park Boulevard site (APN #132-32-053) is located on one parcel of approximately 1.34 acres. This site is on the northwest side of Park Boulevard at its intersection with Olive Avenue.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project would involve the construction and operation of two office buildings, one at 2747 Park Boulevard and one at 3045 Park Boulevard. The applicant is the same for both projects. The EIR will analyze the impacts that would result from construction of both of the projects simultaneously.

The 2747 Park Boulevard project would involve demolition of the existing 4,800 square-foot commercial building and construction of a new 33,323 square-foot, three-story R&D/office building with parking and landscaping. An

existing oak tree in the center of the site would be preserved. The building would be 48 feet in height with mechanical equipment screening reaching to 57 feet. The building would be located on the southwest portion of the site, fronting on and oriented to Park Boulevard. A total of 140 on-site surface parking stalls would be provided. A parking deck with 24 parking spaces would be constructed on the east side of the parking area. Vehicular access would be provided from three driveways, two on Sheridan Avenue on the northern portion of the site and one on Page Mill Road on the southern portion of the site.

The 3045 Park Boulevard project would involve demolition of the existing 17,756 square-foot two-story commercial building and construction of a new 29,120 square-foot, two-story R&D/office building with parking and landscaping. The building height would be 35 feet (to top of canopy) with mechanical equipment screening reaching to 38 feet. The building would be located on the southwest portion of the site, fronting on and oriented to Park Boulevard. A total of 121 on-site surface parking stalls would be provided. Some parking would be provided on a parking deck on the east side of the parking area. The project site would be accessible from two driveways, both on Park Boulevard on the western portion of the site.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** Based on the conclusions of the Draft Initial Study prepared for the project, the following areas of potentially significant environmental impact are anticipated to require analysis in the Draft EIR: Hazards and Hazardous Materials and Transportation/Traffic. Potential cumulative impacts and potential for growth inducement will also be addressed; alternatives, including the No Project Alternative, will be evaluated.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** This NOP and the Draft Initial Study are available for public review and comment pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b) for 30 days. The comment period for the NOP begins November 4, 2015, and ends on December 4, 2015. Due to the limits mandated by State Law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. The Initial Study may be reviewed online at <http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/planningprojects> or at the Planning and Community Environment office at 250 Hamilton Avenue in Palo Alto.

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:** Please indicate a contact person for your agency and send your responses and comments by mail or email to:

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**SCOPING MEETING:** The City of Palo Alto will hold a scoping meeting as part of the Architectural Review Board's regularly scheduled meeting on November 19, 2015. The meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. and will be held at the City of Palo Alto Council Chambers, located in City Hall at 250 Hamilton Avenue. The meeting agenda will be posted to the City's website: <http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/boards/architectural.asp>.

The NOP and related CEQA document(s) for this project will be available for review on the web. You can view the NOP and the Draft Initial Study electronically at: <http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/planningprojects>.

If you require additional project information, please contact Clare Campbell at (650) 617-3191.



Signature

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Date