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Subject: Florin Road Light Rail Station Use

ISSUE

Potential future temporary use of property at the Florin Road Light Rail Station.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

None. This is a discussion surrounding potential future use of surplus property at the Florin Road Light Rail Station including opportunities, feasibility and constraints.

FISCAL IMPACT

None as a result of this information item.

DISCUSSION

The City of Sacramento has approached SacRT staff about the potential lease of a portion of the Florin Light Rail Station for a temporary homeless shelter.

On November 9, 2019, the City of Sacramento (City) declared an emergency homeless crisis, making the city eligible for one-time funding set aside by the state Legislature. Shortly after that declaration, the City announced it was examining sites in all Council districts to identify sites that could commit to housing at least 100 individuals in each district.

The City is interested in establishing a temporary (up to two years) homeless shelter on an underutilized portion of the Florin Road Light Rail station located at the middle east portion of the SacRT owned parking lot (Attachment 1). After the expansion of the Blue Line to Cosumnes River College in 2015, parking demands at the Florin Station have dropped due to it no longer being near the terminus of the line. There are 1,074 parking spots at the station, but only about 200 spots are occupied on a daily basis.

The City is currently in the process of evaluating the feasibility of the site as well as seeking opportunities, and constraints through community engagement. This is the first of several efforts throughout the City to identify suitable sites for those persons experiencing homelessness. According to the City, each site would (1) be utilized by referral only, (2) have 24 hour staffing and case management services, and (3) have housing supporting services and coordination with other service providers. If the Board so chooses, SacRT staff will coordinate with the City and Police Services to ensure that the surrounding neighborhoods remain safe and secure. The City has tentatively scheduled an initial community meeting to hear about the proposed use the week of January 28, 2019.

Approved:

Presented:

Final 01/23/19

General Manager/CEO

VP, Finance/Chief Financial Officer

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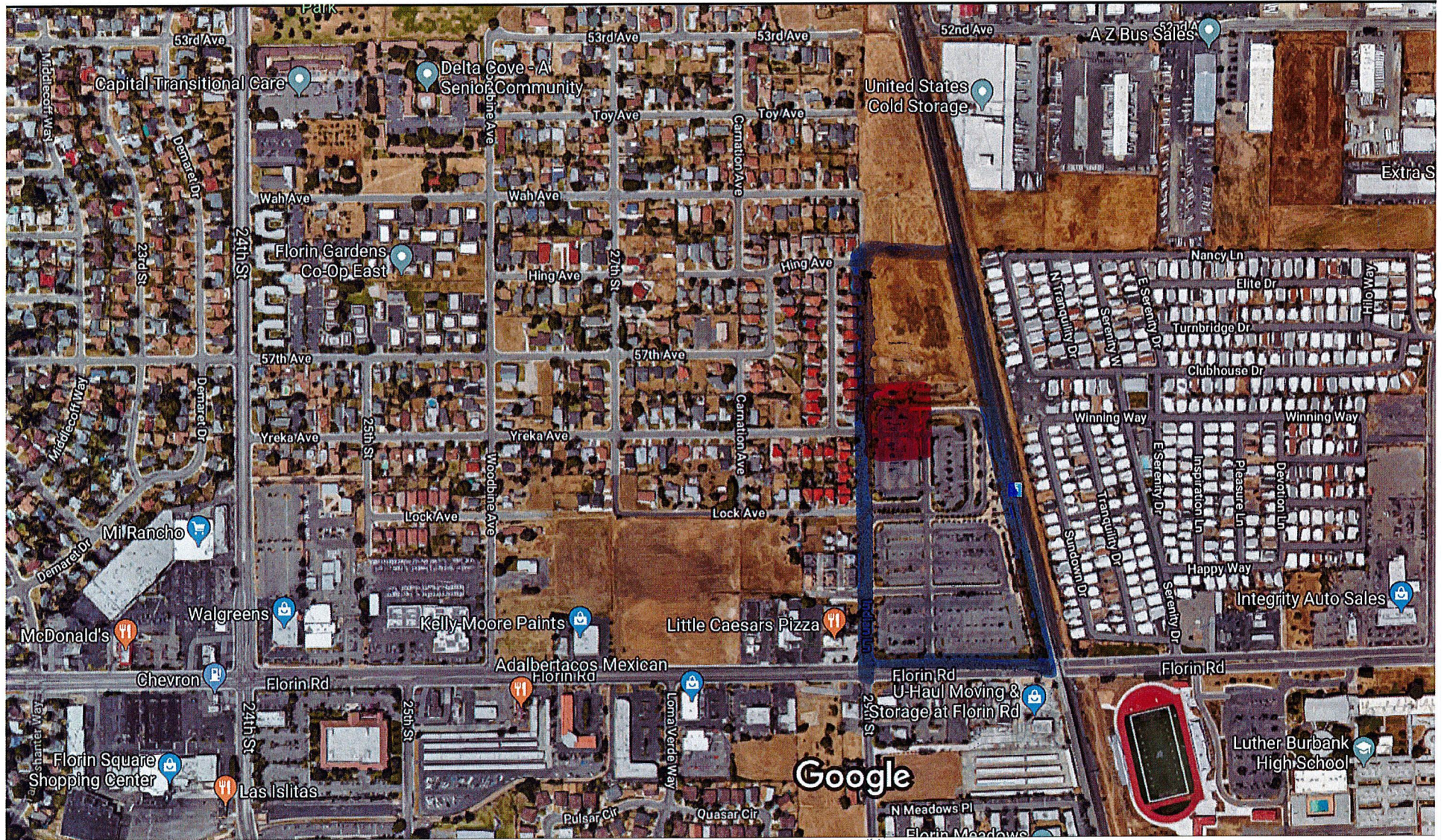
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SacRT acquired the land with state and federal funds, which requires SacRT to receive fair market value from a lease. Any future use of the property would also require Federal Transit Administration concurrence.

The City's Homeless Coordinator, Emily Halcon, will be present to discuss the city's interest in a portion of the property after which staff will seek direction from the Board.



Legend:

Red = Proposed site for the homeless shelter

Blue = Boundary lines for SacRT owned property