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## **IKEA SIGNIFICANTLY REVISES SITE PLAN OF PROPOSAL FOR 3<sup>RD</sup> BAY AREA STORE AND ADJACENT RETAIL COMPONENT IN DUBLIN, CA**

**DUBLIN, CA** – IKEA, the world’s leading home furnishings retailer, today announced it has significantly revised the proposed site plan for a proposed third San Francisco Bay Area store and adjacent retail/entertainment development in Dublin, CA. These changes are a result of contributions from community members at IKEA open houses, online responses submitted to the project website, as well as input from city leaders and potential retail partners from whom IKEA has received feedback on its proposal submitted initially last March, 2016.

Analyses and studies of the project now are pending, with City Council review due in 2018.

Proposed for 27 acres at the northwest corner of I-580 and Hacienda Drive as a convenient shopping and entertainment experience for Tri-Valley customers, the project is being designed to be a welcoming environment and community gathering place. To meet the needs of local Dublin residents and create opportunities adjacent to the potential IKEA store that the community has requested, the company has revised its proposal to include:

- Reducing the maximum store size by more than 30,000 SF to approx. 340,000 SF;
- Moving essentially all IKEA parking under the store, with some partly subterranean;
- Nearly doubling the size of the adjacent retail/entertainment to 92,000 SF to allow for more restaurants, specialty retail stores built around a walkable plaza;
- Creating close to six acres of open space areas for community gathering; and
- Providing connectivity to BART via a bicycle and pedestrian path along the property.

In addition to dramatically increasing construction costs and limiting the scope of the proposed IKEA store, these decisions create more room for preferred restaurants and stores to join this retail corridor and reflect the company’s and City’s shared vision for the location.

While IKEA has received many suggestions from community open houses, meetings, online, etc., Dublin residents and business owners can continue to learn more about the proposal and to provide ongoing feedback at [www.ProposedDublinCA.com](http://www.ProposedDublinCA.com) where they also can share general feedback as well as specific suggestions for the potential retail, restaurant, and entertainment options on the acreage adjacent to the proposed IKEA Dublin store.

In addition to the more than 500 jobs that are expected to be created during the store’s construction, approximately 350 coworkers would join the IKEA family when the store opens – in addition to the construction and permanent jobs created by the adjacent retail development. This total IKEA proposal would generate annual sales and property tax of an estimated \$1.8 million to the City and \$350,000 to Dublin Unified School District. IKEA also will evaluate potential on-site power generation to complement its current U.S. renewable energy presence at nearly 90% of its U.S. locations, among other sustainability initiatives envisioned for this Dublin proposal, such as EV charging stations, LEED certification, etc.

IKEA previously secured City approvals for a Dublin store, at the same location, 13 years ago and built the required infrastructure. Later, IKEA decided the market was not quite developed enough to support a Tri-Valley store, and subsequently sold the land. Since then, the population grew and the land remained available. Last year, IKEA re-purchased the parcel from a private local developer to pursue the current iteration of the IKEA project.

Since its 1943 founding in Sweden, IKEA has offered home furnishings of good design and function at low prices so the majority of people can afford them. There are currently more than 380 IKEA stores in 48 countries, including 43 in the U.S. IKEA has been ranked among “Best Companies to Work For” and, as further investment in its coworkers, has raised its own minimum wage twice in two years. IKEA incorporates sustainability into day-to-day business and supports initiatives that benefit children and the environment. For more information see [IKEA-USA.com](http://IKEA-USA.com), [@IKEAUSA](https://twitter.com/IKEAUSA) or IKEAUSA on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/IKEAUSA), [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/IKEAUSA), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/IKEAUSA) and [Pinterest](https://www.pinterest.com/IKEAUSA).