



## **HAYWARD AREA SHORELINE PLANNING AGENCY**

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Brian Cox  
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*Sent via email*

RE: STACK Infrastructure Data Center Campus (SVY03A) in Hayward, California

Dear Mr. Cox:

The Hayward Area Shoreline Planning Agency (HASPA) is a joint powers authority, with the City of Hayward, the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District, the East Bay Regional Park District, and the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District as Trustees. The HASPA Board received presentations by City of Hayward Planning staff about the proposed STACK Infrastructure Data Center, to be located at 26062 Eden Landing Road, in Hayward, California. The HASPA Board discussed the Data Center at its public meetings on October 10, 2024, December 19, 2024, January 16, 2025 and April 10, 2025.

The proposal, according to the revised project description filed with the California Energy Commission, consists of a new three-story data center building (measuring 310,460 square feet and 108 feet of total height), a security building, emergency backup generators, on-site project substation, a PG&E switching station and on-site transmission line.

The HASPA Board recognizes that City of Hayward is responsible for the land use entitlement for the proposed data center. Furthermore, the Board recognizes that the California Energy Commission is the lead agency, and the City of Hayward is a responsible agency for the CEQA review. The HASPA Board on January 16, 2025 limited their comments to the most recent community benefit package prepared by STACK Infrastructure which totaled \$1,500,000, with an "unrestricted" allocation of \$200,000 to HASPA. The Hayward Planning Commission reviewed a previous community package on their November 14, 2024 meeting which totaled \$1,300,000.

During the HASPA Board's deliberations about the project, the following issues emerged:

1. STACK Infrastructure, as a company based outside of California, should seek to partner with local agencies and organizations by supporting efforts and initiatives that are already in progress, through investments in the proposed community benefit package. The HASPA Board found the community benefits package, in aggregate, to be insufficient, when considering the impacts that a new 108-foot building of over 300,000 square feet would have in its location adjacent to the southern portion of the Hayward Shoreline. It was noted, for example, that this data center would be the tallest building in Hayward. A dollar figure which was double that of the proposed community benefit package amount was suggested by the HASPA Board, with the proceeds supporting City of Hayward and other agencies' initiatives regarding the environment, small businesses, and climate change and sea-level rise adaptation.
2. One specific initiative the HASPA Board would like to see supported by the STACK community benefit package is a rebuilding and rebranding of the Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center, located about one mile north from the proposed data center. Owned and operated since 1985, Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (known as HARD) is transforming the beloved facility into a premier sea-level rise education center.

The HASPA Board requests that the STACK community benefit package total \$3,000,000 with an earmark of \$500,000 for Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center improvements, with an annual contribution of \$100,000 to the facility for the programming of educational opportunities and nature study for local residents and underserved youth. Additionally, the HASPA Board requests an annual contribution to HASPA of \$200,000 be included to be used at the HASPA Board's discretion. This is a similar arrangement with other projects in the shoreline industrial area.

In conclusion, the HASPA Board submits this letter to STACK Infrastructure, so that prior to formal entitlement hearings at the City of Hayward in 2025, the community benefit package proposed to the City Planning Commission in November 2024 may be reconsidered. The HASPA Trustees and staff are available to meet with you and your team in Hayward to discuss this letter.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Louis Andrade, as Chair of the HASPA Board of Trustees

President, HARD Board

Cc:

Director of Development Miles Kersten, STACK Infrastructure

Senior Planner Elizabeth Blanton, City of Hayward  
City of Hayward Planning Commission

HASPA Trustee agencies:

- City of Hayward City Council
- Hayward Area Recreation and Park District
- East Bay Regional Park District
- Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District