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San Benito County Residents Invited to View Design Concepts for Hollister Courthouse

Two Open Houses Are Scheduled

What: Open houses to view design concepts in progress and ask questions about a new courthouse in the City of Hollister.

Who: The Superior Court of San Benito County invites residents to learn more about the process being used by the architectural firm, SmithGroup, to design the new courthouse.

When: Tuesday, June 30, 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 2, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Where: Veterans Hall
Second Floor, Conference Room 218B
649 San Benito Street
Hollister, CA 95023

Why: The current courthouse, located at Fifth and Monterey Streets, has inadequate security and no room for expansion, and it is functionally deficient for judicial services. The proposed new courthouse, which is planned for Fourth and Monterey Streets, will include three courtrooms, holding cells for inmates, space for court staff, and parking for the public and court users. Initial funding has been provided by the state Legislature, and the State Public Works Board has approved acquisition of the property. The Administrative Office of the Courts, working with the county and the city, has agreed to close escrow within the next few months. Completion of the project is expected by the fall of 2012.

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