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Redevelopment Agency Partners to Rehabilitate Historic Building in Arts District

BCA Architects Relocates Headquarters to Downtown San Jose

Event: The San Jose Redevelopment Agency and BCA Architects celebrate the opening of the new BCA Architects headquarters in downtown's South First Area (SoFA).

When: **Thursday, August 26, 2010**
4:00 p.m.

Where: BCA Architects
505 South Market Street (near William Street)

Who: Councilmember Sam Liccardo, District 3, City of San Jose
Harry S. Mavrogenes, Executive Director, San Jose Redevelopment Agency
Paul Bunton, President, BCA Architects

Background: Established in 1989, BCA Architects is an award-winning firm with five offices throughout the State (San Diego, San Jose, Los Angeles, Orange and Merced). The firm specializes in educational, civic and religious projects. BCA Architects partners with its clients to achieve excellence in design projects. The San Jose office currently has approximately 45 employees.

BCA Architects recently relocated its corporate headquarters to the Eagle Body Manufacturing building, an historic building constructed in 1921, and is located in downtown San Jose premiere arts and cultural district. BCA Architects partnered with the Redevelopment Agency to renovate and modernized the 16,385-square-foot building by adding 4,000 square feet of structural upgrades, facade improvement and building system upgrades to accommodate the office use. The San Jose Redevelopment Agency contributed \$630,000 to the \$3.1 million historic preservation project. During the past two decades, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency has invested more than \$152 million to rehabilitate and preserve 110 historic properties.

Additionally, the Agency has invested more than \$120 million towards improvements in the SoFA district. Some noted projects include street improvements and beautification, renovation of the historic California Theatre; assistance to galleries—Anno Domini Gallery, MACLA, Works/San José Gallery, San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, and performance centers—City Lights Theater Company and San Jose Stage. www.sjredevelopment.org

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