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## **More Parking for Downtown San Jose with the Agency's Opening of a New Public Parking Garage**

*Central Place Garage at The 88 to add 330 more public parking spaces*

**Event:** The San Jose Redevelopment Agency and the City of San José will join the San Jose Downtown Association, Wilson Meany Sullivan, LLC., and Downtown Business owners and residents to celebrate the opening of the Central Place Parking Garage

**When:** **Thursday, August 27, 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Where:** **Central Place, Downtown San Jose**  
(Between Second and Third Streets, south of East San Fernando Street)

**Who:** San José Councilmember Sam Liccardo, District 3  
Harry S. Mavrogenes, Executive Director, San Jose Redevelopment Agency  
Elizabeth Monley, Chair, Downtown Parking Board  
Art Bernstein, Board of Directors, San Jose Downtown Association  
Seth Bland, Partner, Wilson Meany Sullivan, LLC

**Background:** Central Place Parking Garage, owned by the Redevelopment Agency, is a three-level underground parking facility located underneath The 88, a luxury residential condominium project in the heart of Downtown San Jose. The Parking Garage is part of the "Parking Plus" strategy, which adds public parking to newly-developed private projects, allowing for incremental parking spaces to be added throughout the downtown.

With the opening of the Central Place Parking Garage, patrons frequenting Downtown will be able to choose from approximately 8,000 public parking spaces. The San Jose Redevelopment Agency and Wilson Meany Sullivan, CIM Group and Stockbridge Capital collaborated to construct the 140,000 square-foot Garage as part of Phase One of The 88.

The new facility offers a state-of-the-art access control system, security camera and advance emergency telephone system, and will participate in Downtown Retail and Cinema Validation programs. The Parking Garage will also provide direct, easy access to The Market by Safeway, a new urban grocery concept by Safeway, which is scheduled to open at The 88 on **August 28, 2009, at 12:30 p.m.**

The incentives and features offered at the Central Place Parking Garage fulfill the goals of the City of San Jose's Downtown Parking Management Plan to provide clean, safe, convenient and available parking supply.

The San Jose Redevelopment Agency invested \$12.5 million towards the development of the Central Place Parking Garage project. For the last six years, the Agency has invested more than \$70 million to build three public parking garages, adding over 1,100 parking spaces to the Downtown San Jose area. To date, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency has invested nearly \$2 billion to revitalize Downtown San Jose. For more information about the Redevelopment Agency, visit [www.sjredevelopment.org](http://www.sjredevelopment.org).

Parking information is available at [www.sjdowntownparking.com](http://www.sjdowntownparking.com).

For more information about The Market by Safeway, located at 100 S. Second Street in Downtown San Jose, please visit [www.safeway.com/themarket](http://www.safeway.com/themarket) or call (408) 292-4010.

Learn more about The 88 at [www.the88sj.com](http://www.the88sj.com).  
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