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Sunnyvale Projects Honored for Six ‘Structures’ Awards

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – Sunnyvale projects had a very strong showing in the annual Structures Awards sponsored by the *Silicon Valley Business Journal*. The awards, given to the most impactful projects and people in Silicon Valley real estate and development, recognized six projects in Sunnyvale.

The City of Sunnyvale received the award for ‘*Most Creative Deal*’ of the year acknowledging the complexity of the Onizuka Air Force Station land transfer from the US Air Force to the City, the US Department of Veteran’s Affairs and Foothill DeAnza Community College District. Mayor Anthony “Tony” Spitaleri received the award at the Structures ceremony on Thursday, September 26 and dubbed the project “a terrific example of collaboration and vision that will benefit Sunnyvale and the region for years to come.”

Winning ‘*Developer of the Year*’ was the Jay Paul Co. that has six million square feet of office space in the development pipeline, much of it in Sunnyvale to include Moffett Place and Moffett Gateway. These Class A office campuses in Sunnyvale’s prime Moffett Park location continue to attract high tech companies to the city. The ‘*Judge’s Choice*’ winner was Kilroy Realty Corp. for their major push into the Bay Area that included the December purchase of the future LinkedIn campus in Sunnyvale. The LinkedIn project, being constructed on Mathilda Avenue, also received honors as a finalist in the ‘*Deal of the Year*’ category.

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One of the City's largest employers, Sunnyvale-based Juniper Networks won the '*Best Green Project/Most Innovative Design*' category for its high tech Moffett Park campus that received LEED Gold and Platinum certifications. Connie Verceles, the City's Economic Development Manager, noted that "Juniper Networks was one of the earliest tenants in Moffett Park and a leader in innovation and design. They clearly see the value of the area by building their own campus and are demonstrating their commitment to sustainability to their employees, customers and the City."

Lastly, BRE Properties was a finalist in the '*Best Residential Project*' category for Solstice, its mixed-use development that will put about 34,000 square feet of retail space and 280 apartments in the heart of Sunnyvale's downtown shopping, dining and transit district. "Projects like this highlight the attractiveness of our downtown because of its location and combination of residential, retail and office uses," said Verceles. "There is a lot of excitement about the new businesses and residents that will get to take advantage of all that downtown has to offer."

Details on all of the awards and stories about each can be found on the Business Journal's website at www.bizjournals.com/sanjose/feature/structures-2013.html.

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