

Alameda County

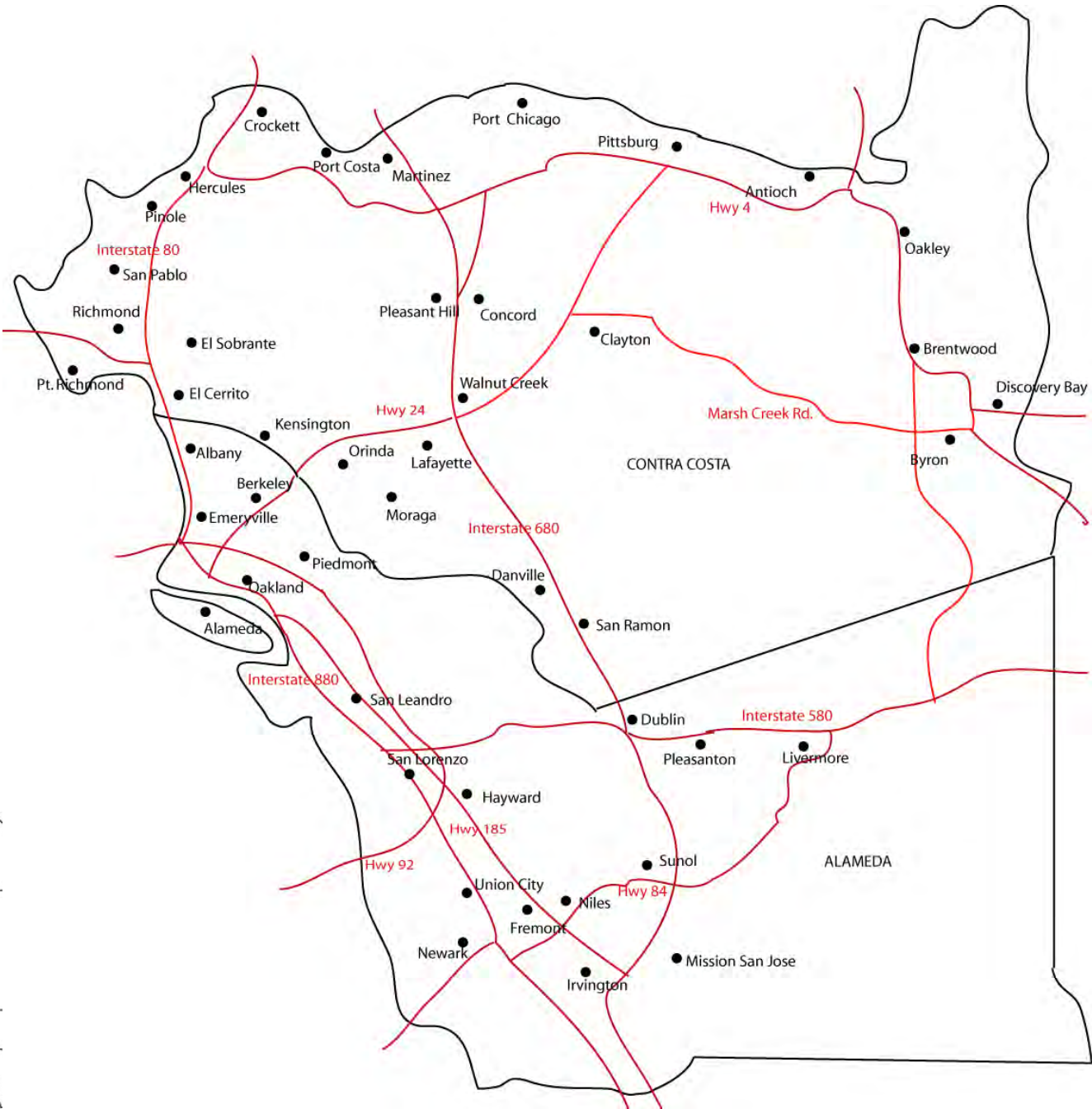
The Alameda County Courthouse in Oakland.
Part 4 of 5: San Leandro, Hayward, Union City, Newark,
San Lorenzo, Fremont.



Alameda County

The communities south of Oakland are a mixed bag – industrial, working class and upscale suburbs.

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San Leandro

San Leandro is just south of Oakland. The city was laid out in 1855. A large number of Portuguese from the Azores settled here in the 1880's. Today the population is 85,000. (July 2003)



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Hayward

Hayward has a population of about 145,000. The city dates back to the 1850's. The first post office was established in 1860. (September 2005)



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The former city hall is now the city museum. (September 2005)



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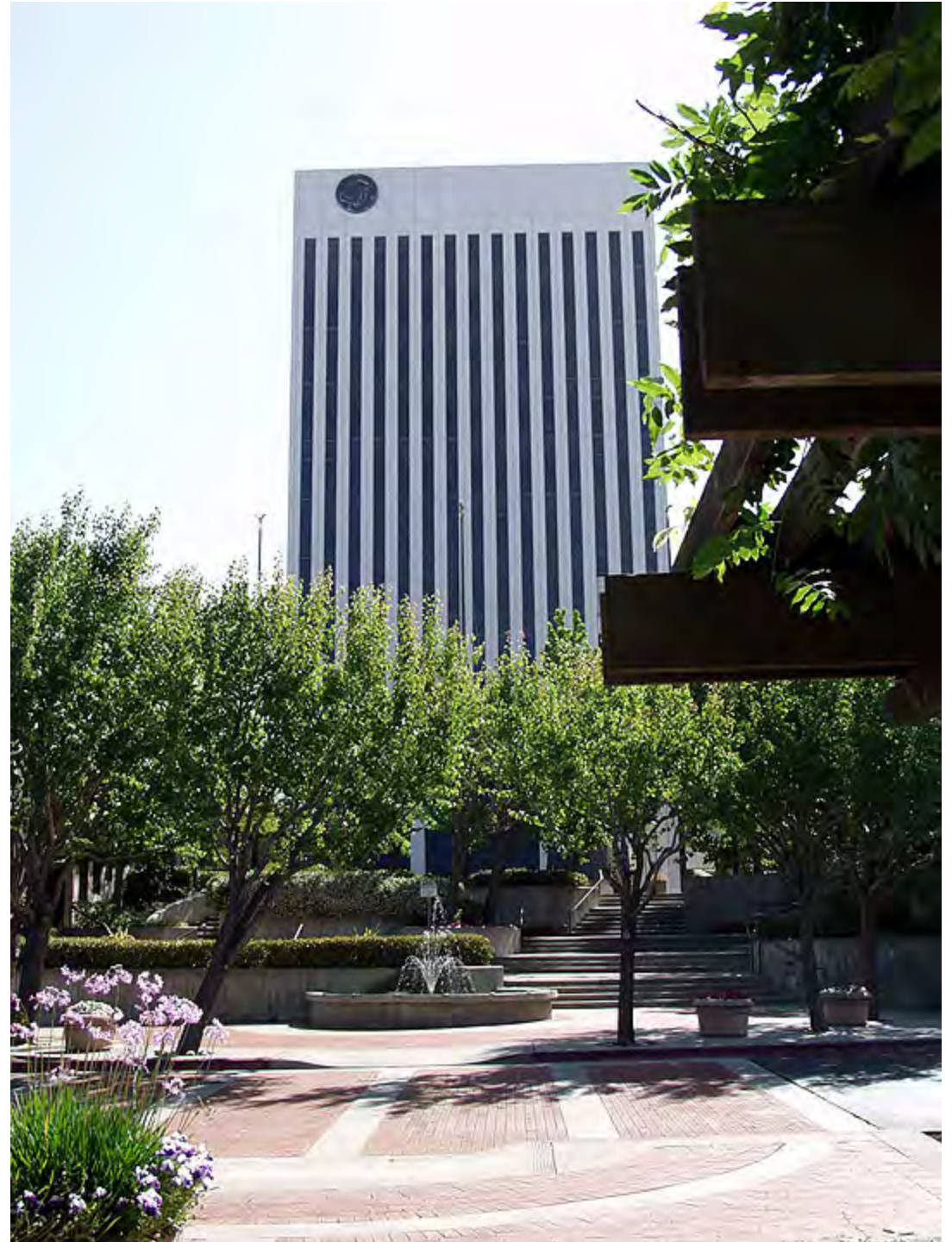
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Hayward

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Hayward – Meek Estate

The Meeks mansion is in San Leandro but is maintained by the city of Hayward. The mansion was built by a cherry grower when this area was a major cherry growing region. San Leandro still has a Chrerry Festival. (September 2005)



Coyote Hills

(June 2003)



(June 2003)



Coyote Hills

The Coyote Hills are on the edge of the South Bay. The 1,000 acre park is supervised by the East Bay Park District. Surrounding them are the salt flats which are now in the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. Part of the salt flats are being returned to nature and other parts remain in commercial salt production. (June 2003)



Coyote Hills

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Newark

Newark got a post office in 1878 and was incorporated as a city in 1955. This is the city hall. (May 2009)



Newark

The area has a large Portuguese population dating back to the 1870's. This is a Portuguese organization, (June 2003)



Newark

(June 2003)



Newark

The local salt factory had a lot of old equipment laying about. The salt flats have gone through different ownerships (Leslie, Cargill) and some of the flats are going out of production. At this point things seem to be in transition. High tech firms have located here. (June 2003)



Newark

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Newark

*This old salt factory seemed to still be operating but at low capacity.
(June 2003)*



Union City

Union City was formed in 1959 from two old historic communities – Alvarado and Decoto. The population of the sprawling city is around 70,000. The historic communities date back to the 1850's. (May 2009)



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Fremont

The city of Fremont was formed to bring order from the chaotic development in the Southbay. The city was formed in 1956 out of five communities – Centerville, Niles, Irvington, Mission San Jose and Warm Springs. The population is about 214,000. (January 2006)



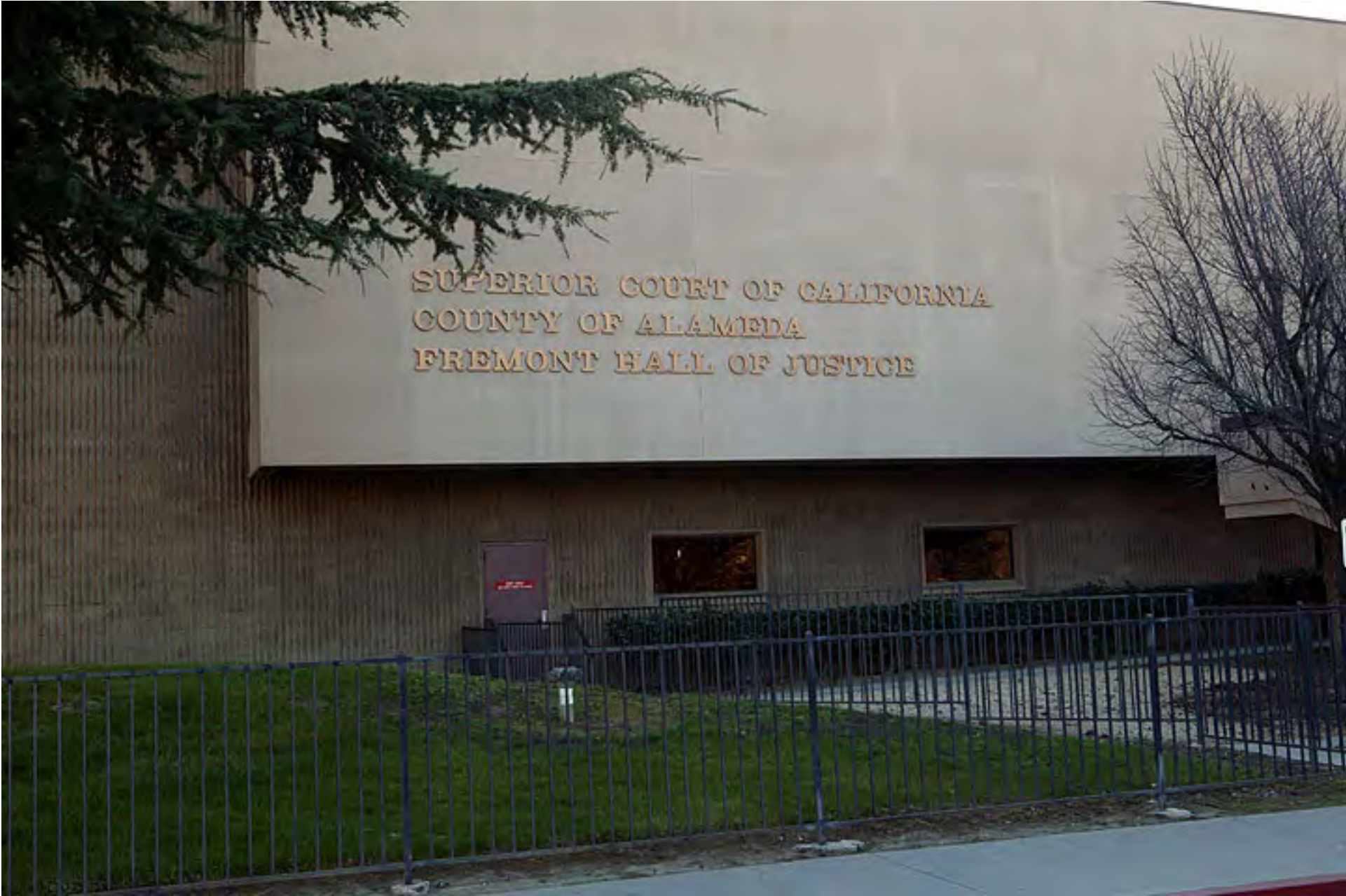
Fremont

The city hall. (January 2006)



Fremont

(January 2006)



Fremont

This solar array covers the parking lot at the branch court house. (January 2006)



Fremont

(June 2003)



Fremont

The auto plant at Irvington in Fremont. This plant was built in 1960 by General Motors. In 1984 it became a joint GM and Toyota operation. It closed in 2010. Toyota and Tesla Motors have announced that they will produce an electric car here. (June 2003)



Fremont

If there is a downtown Fremont, this comes close to it at the Paseo Padre and Mowry. That is a Kaiser Hospital in the back. (June 2003)



Fremont

Much of Fremont is subdivisions and shopping centers such as this one. (June 2003)



Fremont

(June 2003)



Fremont

Fremont Ave. is one of the main streets of Fremont.
This is the Irvington neighborhood. (June 2003)



Mission San Jose

You would think that Mission San Jose would be in San Jose, but it is not. It is one of the neighborhoods of Fremont. (July 2005)



Salt flats near Union City

(2011)

