



# City of El Segundo

Planning & Building Safety Department

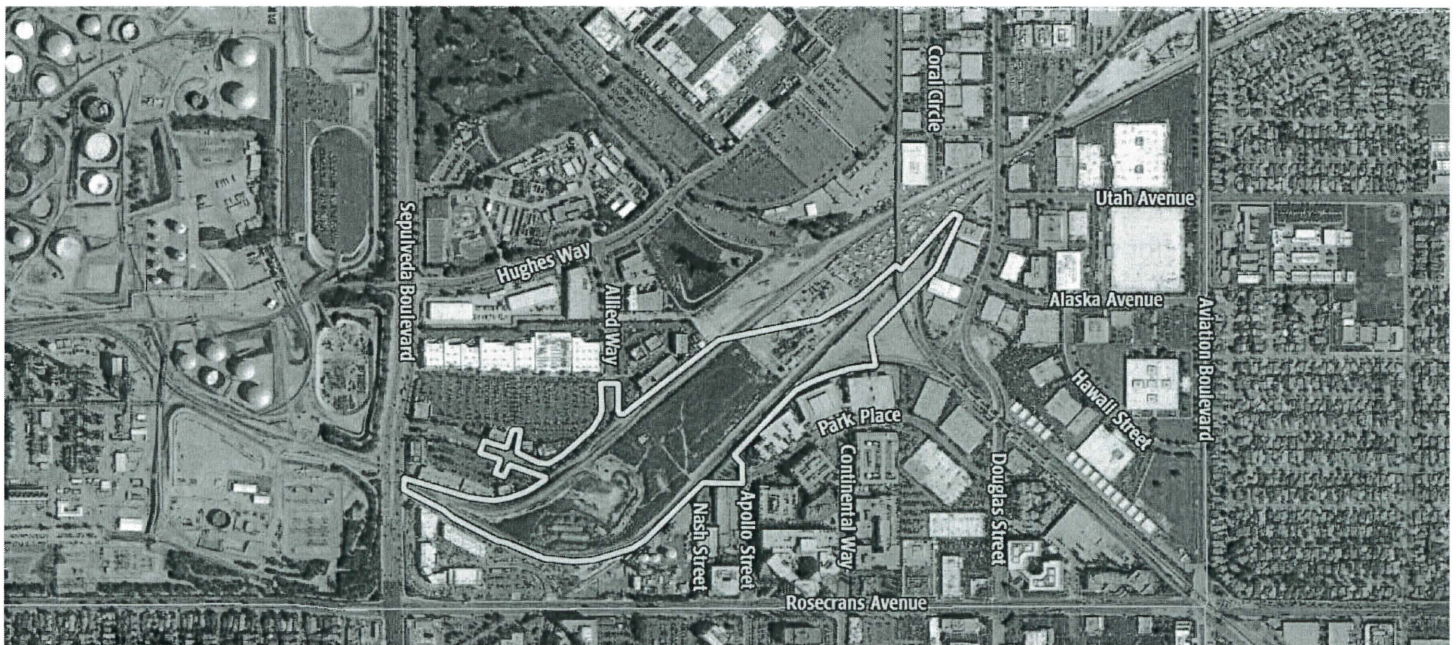
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO CERTIFY AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PARK PLACE EXTENSION AND GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

**Public Hearing:** Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of El Segundo (City) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 28, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA, to consider the Park Place Extension and Grade Separation project.



**Location:** The project area is generally east of Pacific Coast Highway and north of Rosecrans Avenue, between the existing alignments of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad. The eastern limit of the project area is near Douglas Street.

**Project Description:** The City of El Segundo (City) proposes to extend Park Place from Allied Way to Nash Street with a railroad grade separation to implement a critical project as identified in the City's 2004 General Plan Circulation Element Update, its 2005 Traffic Impact Fee Study Update, and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Park Place currently exists in two segments with a roughly quarter mile gap across an undeveloped area which consists of Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad spurs. The project would implement a gap closure to develop Park Place as an alternate east-west route between Sepulveda Boulevard and Douglas Street to relieve congestion along portions of Rosecrans Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard, as well as to improve local traffic circulation and access to and from the I-105 freeway. The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 7 is the lead agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), while the City is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). There are four Build Alternatives and



a No-Build Alternative under consideration.

**Required Approvals.** The Park Place Extension and Grade Separation project would require City of El Segundo approval of Environmental Assessment (EA 1152): a) to certify a Final Environmental Impact Report and b) to adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

The Planning Commission will make recommendations to the City Council regarding this approval. A duly noticed City Council hearing will be scheduled once the Planning Commission acts on this approval.

**Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment:** In conjunction with Caltrans, the City prepared an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (SCH# 2016101075) for the Park Place Extension and Grade Separation project. The EIR/EA was prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.), and the State CEQA Guidelines for Implementation of CEQA (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000 et seq.). Based on the analyses contained in the EIR, with the incorporation of mitigation measures, the Project is not expected to result in any significant environmental impacts as defined under CEQA.

The City made the Draft EIR/EA available for public review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15082(b). The 45-day public review period began on September 27, 2018 and ended on November 13, 2018. Public comments and responses to those comments have been incorporated into a Final EIR (FEIR), which is now being presented to the Planning Commission for review. The full nature and extent of the project's potential impacts is explained in the FEIR.

**Comments:** The file for the project, including the EIR/EA, and supporting documents are available for public to review online at: [www.elsegundo.org/depts/planningsafety/planning](http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/planningsafety/planning) and at:

- City of El Segundo Planning and Building Safety Department, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245  
7 AM to 5 PM, Monday-Thursday and 7 AM to 4 PM on alternating Fridays
- City of El Segundo Public Library, 111 West Mariposa Avenue, El Segundo, CA 90245  
9 AM to 9 PM, Monday-Thursday and 10 AM to 5 PM on Fridays and Saturdays

Any person may give testimony at the hearing at the time and place indicated above. Note that any appeal of a decision made following a public hearing may be limited to the issues raised by evidence submitted before or during that public hearing. Please email your written comments to: [psamaras@elsegundo.org](mailto:psamaras@elsegundo.org), or mail them to:

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