NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Culver Drive and Alton Parkway Intersection Improvement Project



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Irvine is considering a recommendation that the project herein identified will have no significant environmental impact in compliance with Sections 21092, 21092.3, and 315070 of State of California, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. A copy of the **PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and INITIAL STUDY,** which support the proposed findings are on file at the City of Irvine.

Project Title: Culver Drive and Alton Parkway Intersection Improvement Project

Lead Agency: City of Irvine, 1 Civic Center Plaza, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575

Applicant: City of Irvine, 1 Civic Center Plaza, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575

Project Location: The project site is located at the intersection of Culver Drive and Alton Parkway, within the

City of Irvine, County of Orange.

Project Description: The proposed project improvements include the following: 1) Add a fourth northbound

through lane on Culver Drive; 2) Remove the southbound free right turn lane on Culver Drive and convert it to a standard right turn lane; 3) Add the southbound right turn overlap phasing on Culver Drive in conjunction with the eastbound left turn phasing on Alton Parkway; 4) Add a new bus stop and bus pad at the northwest corner of the intersection fronting the retail business at 3995 Alton Parkway (currently Starbucks); 5) Add three concrete bus pads to three existing bus stops located at the northeast corner (Culver Drive), northwest corner fronting the retail business at 3755 Alton Parkway, (currently Olive Garden), and southeast corner fronting the Alders HOA condominiums (Alton Parkway); 6) Extend the eastbound and westbound left turn pockets on Alton Parkway in both directions approaching the Culver Drive intersection; 7) Provide enhanced striping to existing on-street bike lanes on all four legs of the intersection; and 8) Other supporting improvements with signage, traffic signals, streetlights, utility relocations, drainage and water quality improvements, retaining walls, landscape, and lighting. The proposed Project is one of the mitigations identified in both 2010 and 2015 Irvine Business Complex (IBC) Vision Plan Traffic Studies and would improve circulation in both the short- and long-term to the intersection by providing capacity

enhancements and improve circulation.

Info Available: The Draft Initial Study - Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for your review at

the City's website at:

https://www.cityofirvine.org/public-works-transportation-department/current-environmental-reviews

Environmental Impact: Mitigation Measures have been included in the project to avoid potentially significant effects in the following areas:

Biological Resources

Hazards & Hazardous Materials

Cultural Resources

Public Services

Hazardous Waste Sites: The project site is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5.

Public Review Period: Begins: July 2, 2020 Ends: August 1, 2020

Public Comments: In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines for implementing the California

Environmental Quality Act, any written comments concerning the findings of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received by the City of Irvine no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 1, 2020 in order to be considered prior to the City's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this 30-day public review period. Please send your comments to Melissa Dugan, Supervising Transportation Analyst, City of Irvine, Department of Public Works and

Transportation, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575.

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