

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

for the Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Intersection Improvement Project (CIP No. 19-07)

This serves as the City of Downey's (City) Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Intersection Improvement Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines and local implementation procedures.

Name of Project: Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Intersection Improvement Project

Project Location: Regionally, the project site is located in the northeastern portion of the City, within the County of Los

Angeles. Locally, the project site is the intersection of Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Avenue.

Lead Agency: City of Downey, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California 90241

Project Description: The proposed project involves roadway widening, to provide additional left turn lanes in the northbound and

southbound directions on Lakewood Boulevard, pavement reconstruction, traffic signal modification and utility relocations to the existing Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Avenue intersection within the City of Downey. The project area includes the Lakewood Boulevard at Florence Avenue intersection and approximately 150 feet to 500 feet of all four roadway approaches. Partial right-of-way acquisition will be required on the east side of Lakewood Boulevard and on the south side of Florence Avenue east of

Lakewood Boulevard in order to provide the necessary street width for the additional turn lanes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council, pursuant to law, will conduct a public hearing at its regular City Council meeting on a future date to be determined at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California, to consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration. To confirm the date and time of the meeting, please check the City's website: http://www.downeyca.org. The MND is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed MND, and supporting materials are available for public review at the following locations:

- Downey City Hall, Public Works Department, 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California 90241
- City of Downey website at http://www.downeyca.org

Public Review Period: Begins - August 10, 2020 Ends - September 11, 2020

Any person wishing to comment on the proposed project may do so in writing and *must be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on the closing date of the public review period as cited above*; or, may appear and be heard at the time and place noted above for the public hearing. All comments will be submitted to the City Council, and the City Council will consider such written comments, in addition to any oral testimony, before making a decision on the proposed project.

If this project is challenged in court, the issues may be limited to those raised at the public hearing, described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. Be advised that as a result of public hearings and comment, the City Council may amend, in whole or in part, the proposed project. Accordingly, the designations, development standards, design or improvements, or any properties or lands within the boundaries of the proposed project may be changed in a way other than specifically proposed.

The City of Downey sent a Notice of Project Application to numerous Native American tribes notifying each of the opportunity to consult with the City on the proposed project. The City did not receive a request to consult on this project within the 30 days specified as part of California Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1.

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



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