

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE SOUTH PASADENA 2020 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of South Pasadena has prepared a Draft Initial Study and Negative Declaration (IS-ND) for the South Pasadena 2020 Climate Action Plan (CAP), as described below, and is requesting comments on the Draft IS-ND. The Draft IS-ND addresses the potential physical environmental effects of implementation of the 2020 CAP in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The City of South Pasadena is the Lead Agency for the proposed plan. This notice is being sent to the State Clearinghouse, Los Angeles County Clerk, and other interested agencies and parties. No responsible agencies, trustee agencies, or public agencies besides the City of South Pasadena that also have a role in approving or carrying out the CAP have been identified.

PLAN TITLE: South Pasadena 2020 Climate Action Plan

PLAN LOCATION: The South Pasadena 2020 CAP applies to all areas and plans/projects within the City of South Pasadena limits. The plan location includes all of South Pasadena's incorporated lands.

DESCRIPTION OF PLAN: The City of South Pasadena is preparing the 2020 CAP to include measures addressing municipal and communitywide GHG emissions. Using the 2016 GHG emissions as a baseline, the City is committed to a GHG emissions reduction target of 40 percent below 2016 levels by 2030. This 2030 GHG emissions goal is selected to be consistent with California Senate Bill 32 State emissions targets and CEQA Guidelines §15183.5 for a qualified GHG emissions reduction strategy, and to be achievable by City-supported measures identified in the South Pasadena 2020 CAP. To achieve the South Pasadena 2030 GHG emissions target, the City has developed 15 CAP Plays (i.e., measures) and supporting Moves (i.e., actions) related to energy, transportation, water, solid waste, and carbon sequestration.

SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS: As discussed in the Draft IS-ND, the 2020 CAP was found to result in no significant environmental effect or a less-than-significant environmental effect with regard to all CEQA Guidelines Appendix G environmental topics. No mitigation measures are required.

DRAFT IS-ND REVIEW PERIOD: The City is soliciting comments on the Draft IS-ND from **October 7, 2020** through **November 5, 2020**. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074, the City of South Pasadena will consider the IS-ND together with any comments received during the public review process. Comments on the Draft IS-ND and any questions or comments should be directed in writing to:

Julian Lee, Deputy Public Works Director City of South Pasadena Public Works Department 1414 Mission Street South Pasadena, CA 91030

Comments may also be submitted via email to <u>jlee@southpasadenaca.gov</u>. Comments on the Draft IS-ND must be received **on or before November 5, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**

COPIES OF THE DRAFT IS-ND: The Draft IS-ND is available for review online on the City's website: <u>www.southpasadenaca.gov/cap</u>. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, hard copies will be mailed upon request rather than accessible to the public at a physical location. If you need a hardcopy of the IS-ND or the documents referenced therein, please contact Julian Lee at <u>ilee@southpasadenaca.gov</u> or (626) 460-6392.

PUBLIC HEARING: The South Pasadena City Council is anticipated to consider the IS-ND and make a decision on the CAP during a future regularly scheduled meeting to be noticed to the public. Interested attendees should visit the City Council webpage to confirm the meeting date, time, agenda, and logistics: www.southpasadenaca.gov/government/city-council-meetings/2019-council-meetings-copy.

Signature: Julian Lee, Deputy Public Works Director City of South Pasadena

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