

CITY OF HERCULES

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FRANKLIN CANYON RV RESORT PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Hercules (the City) has prepared an Initial Study to evaluate the environmental impacts of the proposed Franklin Canyon RV Resort Project, described below, and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Initial Study concludes that the proposed project would not have a significant adverse effect on the environment if the mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study are adopted and made conditions of approval of the proposed project.

FROM: City of Hercules, Community Development Department

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Contact: Robert Reber, AICP, Community Development Director

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PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for public review at the following locations:

- Hercules City Hall, 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547
- Online at City of Hercules website under "Government > Community Development >
 Development Projects > Franklin Canyon > Golf Course/RV Resort"
 https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/government/community-development/development-projects/franklin-canyon/golf-course-rv-resort

The Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for a 30-day review period beginning **Monday, March 15, 2021** and **ending Thursday, April 15, 2021**. Comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing within the 30-day review period and sent by mail or email to:

City of Hercules, Community Development Department 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547 Contact: Robert Reber, AICP, Community Development Director (510-799-8248 or rreber@ci.hercules.ca.us) **PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The Hercules Planning Commission refers and recommends projects to the City Council, which is the decision-making body responsible for adopting the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and approving the proposed project.

City of Hercules Planning Commission Monday, March 15, 7:00 PM

This meeting is strictly for presenting information about the project and receiving comments on the environmental review documents; no actions on the project will be taken at this meeting. The Planning Commission will schedule a hearing for a date to be determined after the conclusion of the public comment period to consider recommending the project to the City Council. Due to Covid-19, the meeting will be held remotely online; refer to agenda link below to get instructions on participating in the meeting.

Please note that agendas are subject to change. Please contact the Community Development Department at (510) 777-8200 or the City's website to confirm the hearing dates: https://hercules.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

LOCATION OF PROJECT:

3100 Franklin Canyon Road, Hercules, CA (Assessor's Parcel Number 362-020-021-6)

SUMMARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The property consists of one parcel totaling approximately 161.95 acres, collectively called the Franklin Canyon RV Resort Project (project). The applicant is proposing development of 160 recreational vehicle (RV) visitors' camping spaces and 22 walk-in campsites with tent bungalows. The proposed project would eliminate the existing 18-hole golf course but would retain the existing driving range and build a new 18-hole putting green and clubhouse to feature dining facilities, a fitness and wellness center, and an outdoor swimming pool.

The project would remove the existing two-story 7,200-square-foot clubhouse and replace it with a new two-story 10,500-square-foot clubhouse with employee housing on the second story. Other proposed facilities would include a 2,500-square-foot maintenance building, a 120-square-foot security and information building, and 50 covered RV storage spaces (27,000 square feet; distinct from the 160 RV active camping spaces). The project would construct a total of 40,000 square feet of permanent structures, for a net increase of 27,470 square feet of structures over existing conditions. Approximately 70 acres of the 75 acres that is currently used as the westernmost nine holes of the golf course would be deeded to the John Muir Land Trust for use as public open space. The project includes playgrounds, a pickle ball court(s), and horseshoe pits for guest recreation.

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