

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration City of Imperial

Purpose

The City of Imperial has prepared an Initial Study and determined that there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project may cause a significant impact on the environment. Accordingly, under Public Resources Code Section 2108, the City of Imperial is proposing to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration. This Notice, the Mitigated Negative Declaration, and the Initial Study have been prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines (Public Resources Code, Division 13, and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3) for the project described below.

Public Review and Comment

From April 14, 2021 to May 14, 2021, the documents of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study of the environmental effects are available for review during normal office hours, **Monday through Friday 8AM to 5PM** at the Community Development Department- 400 South Imperial Avenue, Suite 101 and Imperial City Hall-420 South Imperial Avenue; Imperial, CA 92251. If you would like to know more about the proposed projects prior to the public hearing, please contact Tony Lopez, Park Superintendent, either via phone (760)-355-3134 or email: tlopez@cityofimperial.org.

The **Planning Commission Meeting** for the Public Hearing is **tentatively** scheduled to consider the adoption of the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting on **June 9, 2021** at **6:30 PM** at the City Council Chambers, 200 West Ninth Street, Imperial, CA 92251.

The **City Council Meeting** for the Public Hearing is **tentatively** scheduled to consider the adoption of the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting on **July 7, 2021** at **7:00 PM** at the City Council Chambers, 200 West Ninth Street, Imperial, CA 92251.

Any persons desiring a full PDF file of the proposed project please contact Tony Lopez, Park Superintendent via email: <u>tlopez@cityofimperial.org</u> or <u>phone:760-355-3134</u>. Any person desiring to comment on the above project may do so in writing prior to **May 14, 2021** or may appear in person at the public hearing. Written comments should be directed to Ms. Debra Jackson, City Clerk, City of Imperial, 420 South Imperial Avenue; Imperial, CA 92251. Please reference the project name in all written correspondence.

Project Description

The Townsite Park Project, is a community driven project that would be funded by Proposition 68 funds. That would be available during the fourth round of the California Department of Parks and Recreation Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Grant Program. The City of Imperial, in partnership with Imperial High school District, will apply to the State seeking the maximum funds available for this proposed project site to develop a new recreational facility.

The project would include the development of park facilities on a 4.16 acre site within the City of Imperial, California. The project may require change of existing zoning from R-1 (single-Family Residential) to Open Space Recreational.

Mandatory Findings of Significance

Based on the Initial Study, the City finds no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.