NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lemoore City Council will conduct a Public Hearing at a Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. to consider and accept public comment for Annexation 2021-01 (Batth) and Prezoning: a request by People's Properties, LLC (Austin Ewell, agent) for a proposed annexation of approximately 137 acres with prezoning of Heavy Industrial (MH) and Light Industrial (ML). This is to advise that the City of Lemoore has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project. The meeting will be held at the Lemoore Council Chambers, 429 C Street, Lemoore, CA.

Due to the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering the State of California and the Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, physical attendance by the public cannot be accommodated given the current circumstances and the need to ensure the health and safety of the City Council, City staff, and the public as a whole. All upcoming regular and special City Council meetings will *only be accessible online at* www.Youtube.com/c/cityoflemoore.

Project Title: People's Properties Cannabis Cultivation Project

Project Location: The project site is located east of South 19th Avenue, north of Idaho Avenue, east of Vine Street, and south Iona Avenue in the City of Lemoore, Kings County, CA. The project site is within Assessor's Parcel Numbers 024-052-059, 024-052-067 and 024-052-068 totaling approximately 137 acres.

Project Description: The proposed project proposes to develop outdoor cannabis cultivation on approximately 137 acres. There are currently five residential dwellings on the project site that will remain onsite. A portion of the property was formerly used as a dairy. The proposed project will require an approval of a Project Development Agreement by the Lemoore City Council. Additionally, the proposed project will require an annexation into the City of Lemoore, with prezoning of Heavy Industrial (MH) on the northwesterly 19.8 acres and ML (Light Industrial) on the rest of the site. The project site has a Kings County General Plan land use designation of Limited Agriculture and is within the AL-10 (Limited Agricultural-10 acres) zone district. The project also requires all the necessary cannabis-related permits issued by the State of California. Water for the project will be provided onsite. The entire site will be surrounded with eight-foot chain-link fence topped with three strands of barbed wire for security. Lighting will be located on the fence.

The document and documents referenced in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at the City of Lemoore Community Development Department at 711 West Cinnamon Drive, Lemoore, CA 93245. Persons wishing to review information on file must contact staff by phone at (559) 924-6744. Ext. 740 or by email at <u>planning@lemoore.com</u> to make arrangements. Due to the limits mandated by State law, mailed responses must be filed with the City Clerk's office, City of Lemoore, 711 W. Cinnamon Drive, Lemoore CA 92345 no later than September 27, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

Persons having comments or concerns about the proposed project *must submit your public comments by e-mail to*: <u>planning@lemoore.com</u>. *In the subject line of the e-mail, please state your name and the item you are commenting on*. Persons unable to email comments may send them via USPS mail or other courier to City of Lemoore, Attn: Community Development Department, 711 W. Cinnamon Drive, Lemoore CA 93245. Mailed comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. the day of the meeting to be entered into record.

As mandated by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the public review period for this document is 30 days (CEQA Section 15073[b]). The public review period begins on August 27, 2021 and ends on September 27, 2021. For further information, please contact Judy Holwell at (599) 924-6744.

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