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Mr. Ken Domer Assistant City Manager City of Laguna Beach 505 Forest Avenue Laguna Beach, CA 92651 File: IGR/CEQA SCH#: 2022090383 12-ORA-2022-02099 SR 1, PM 5.638

Dear Mr. Domer,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the 31796 Coast Highway Fire Station No. 4 Relocation Project in the City of Laguna Beach. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment.

The project proposes the city's potential acquisition of an existing dental office with the intention to develop a fire station on 31796 Coast Highway. Regional access to the project area is provided by State Route 1 (SR 1) and State Route 133 (SR 133). Caltrans is a responsible agency for this project and upon review, we have the following comments:

Traffic Operations

The proposed project is located on the State Right of Way. As such, the
applicant is to submit the proposed project site plan documentation, including
and not limited to the driveways traffic circulation, proposed signal location, and
traffic control for further review during the encroachment permit process.

Encroachment Permit

2. Any project work proposed in the vicinity of the State Right-of-Way (ROW) would require an encroachment permit and all environmental concerns must be adequately addressed. If the environmental documentation for the project does not meet Caltrans's requirements for work done within State ROW, additional documentation would be required before approval of the encroachment permit. Please coordinate with Caltrans to meet requirements for any work within or near State ROW. For specific details for Encroachment Permits procedure, please refer to the Caltrans's Encroachment Permits Manual at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hg/traffops/developserv/permits/

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Please continue to keep us informed of this project and any future developments that could potentially impact State transportation facilities. If you have any questions or need to contact us, please do not hesitate to contact Joseph Jamoralin at (657) 328-6276 or Joseph.Jamoralin@dot.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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