

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## Agency Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

DATE: November 28, 2022

TO: Responsible/Trustee Agencies

The Riverside County Planning Department is currently reviewing a development application (herein, "Project") in the Thousand Palms community of unincorporated Riverside County. The Project is subject to compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This notice is to inform public agencies and the general public that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared for the Project, and to solicit guidance as to the scope and content of the required EIR.

PROJECT CASE NO./TITLE: Thousand Palms Warehouse – General Plan Amendment No. 220004 (GPA 220004), Change of Zone No. 2200013 (CZ 2200013), and Plot Plan No. 220022 (PPT 220022)

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The proposed Project consists of applications for GPA 220004, CZ 2200013, and PPT 220022 to allow for the development of a 1,238,992 light industrial warehouse building on an 83.0-acre property located at the northeast corner of Rio Del Sol and 30th Avenue in the Thousand Palms community of unincorporated Riverside County. Proposed GPA 220004 would change the General Plan land use designation on the eastern +/- half of the property from "Medium Density Residential (MDR)" to "Light Industrial (LI)." Proposed CZ 2200013 would change the zoning classification for the eastern +/- half of the property from "Residential – Agriculture (R-A)" to "Manufacturing – Service Commercial (M-SC)." PPT 220022 is proposed to allow for development of the property with a 1,238,992 light industrial warehouse building that includes 20,000 square feet (s.f.) of office uses at the four corners of the proposed building and 1,218,992 s.f. of warehouse space. A total of 212 truck docking doors are proposed, with 106 docking doors on the southern façade of the building and 106 docking doors on the northern façade of the building. Access to the Project site would be accommodated by two driveways along Rio Del Sol and one driveway along 30th Avenue. Each of the proposed driveways would consist of full access driveways that would serve both passenger vehicles and trucks. Governmental approvals requested by the Project Applicant from Riverside County to implement the Project consist of the following:

- 1. Adoption by resolution of General Plan Amendment No. 220004
- 2. Adoption by ordinance of Change of Zone No. 2200013
- 3. Approval of Plot Plan No. 220022

## **LEAD AGENCY:**

Riverside County Planning Department 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor P.O. Box 1409 Riverside, CA 92502-1409

Attn: Russell Brady, Project Planner

## **PROJECT SPONSOR:**

Applicant: Majestic Realty Co.
Attn. Phillip Brown

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City of Industry, CA 91746-3497

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, notice is given to responsible and interested agencies, that the Riverside County Planning Department plans to oversee the preparation on an Environmental Impact Report for the above-described project. The purpose of this notice is to solicit guidance from your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR. Information in that regard should be submitted to this office as soon as possible, but <u>not later than thirty (30) days</u> after receiving this notice.

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- Aesthetics
- Agriculture & Forest Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology / Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology / Water Quality
- Land Use / Planning

- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Paleontological Resources
- Population / Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities / Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING: A Scoping Session has been scheduled in order to bring together and resolve the concerns of affected federal, State and local agencies, the proponent of the proposed Project, and other interested persons; as well as inform the public of the nature and extent of the proposed project, and to provide an opportunity to identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in depth in the EIR and help eliminate from detailed study issues found not to be important. The Scoping Session is not a public hearing on the merit of the proposed project and NO DECISION on the Project will be made. Public testimony is limited to identifying issues regarding the project and potential environmental impacts. The Project proponent will not be required to provide an immediate response to any concerns raised. The Project proponent will be requested to address any concerns expressed at the Scoping Session, through revisions to the proposed Project and/or completion of a Final Environmental Impact Report, prior to the formal public hearing on the proposed Project. Mailed notice of the public hearing will be provided to anyone requesting such notification.

TIME OF SCOPING SESSION: 1:30 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter

DATE OF SCOPING SESSION: December 12, 2022

Information on how to participate in the hearing will be available on the Planning Department website at: <a href="https://planning.rctlma.org/">https://planning.rctlma.org/</a>. For further information regarding this project please contact Project Planner Russell Brady at (951) 955-3025 or email at <a href="mailto:rbrady@rivco.org">rbrady@rivco.org</a>, or go to the County Planning Department's Planning Commission agenda web page at <a href="http://planning.rctlma.org/PublicHearings.aspx">http://planning.rctlma.org/PublicHearings.aspx</a>.

Please send all written correspondence to:

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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If you have any questions please contact Russell Brady, Project Planner at (951) 955-3025.

Sincerely,

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Russell Brady, Project Planner for John Hildebrand, Planning Director