NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Railroad Street Improvements Project
April 24, 2019

Notice is hereby given that the City of Elk Grove, as lead agency, has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the below referenced Project. The Draft MND analyzes the potential environmental effects associated with the proposed Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In accordance with Section 15072 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of Elk Grove has prepared this Notice of Intent (NOI) to provide responsible agencies and other interested parties with notice of the availability of the Draft MND and solicit comments and concerns regarding the environmental issues associated with the proposed Project.

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PROJECT TITLE: Railroad Street Improvements Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed Project is located in the city of Elk Grove, Sacramento County, California. Specifically, the Project is located along Railroad Street from Elk Grove Boulevard to Grove Street and along Grove Street from Railroad Street east to the eastern boundary of the City owned Old Town Plaza parcel, and includes the intersections of Elk Grove Boulevard and Railroad Street, and Grove Street and Railroad Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Elk Grove in coordination with the Department of Housing and Urban Development proposes to construct roadway improvements on Railroad Street in the City of Elk Grove, California, as part of the Railroad Street Improvements Project.

The proposed improvements would consist of road reconstruction, and construction of new curbs, gutters, accessible sidewalks and ramps, utilities, and two parking lots along an approximate 2,000-foot long segment of Railroad Street.

Sidewalks are proposed along the east and west sides of Railroad Street and along the north and south sides of Grove Street that tie into the intersections of Elk Grove Boulevard and Railroad Street and Grove Street and Railroad Street. An approximately 2,000-foot long segment of Railroad Street would be reconstructed. Ramp reconstruction is proposed at the intersection of Elk Grove Boulevard and Railroad Street and six accessible ramps would be constructed (two at the intersection of Grove Street and Railroad Street, two south of the intersection of Grove Street...
and Railroad Street, and two along Railroad Street). Two parking lots would also be constructed, one on the west side of Railroad Street adjacent to the historic Elk Grove Winery Warehouse and one on the east side of Railroad Street. New gas, sanitary sewer, and storm drain lines are proposed along Railroad Street and Grove Street.

The purpose of the proposed Project is to provide necessary improvements to Railroad Street and adjacent sidewalks in support of the City’s goals to develop a multi-use plaza and pertinent infrastructure in the City’s historic district.

The Project is needed for improved flow of traffic for travelers, as well as improved accessible ramps and sidewalks for safety and efficiency.

Permanent right-of-way acquisitions are anticipated along Railroad Street and Grove Street to accommodate the proposed Project. Temporary construction easements, utility easements, and encroachment permits may be needed on a limited basis to accommodate installation of the proposed improvements. Existing private utilities will remain active during Project construction. No road closures are anticipated to occur and access to each residence will be maintained. Minor temporary detours for local traffic may take place. Construction is anticipated to last six months.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 30-day public review period for the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will commence on April 24, 2019 through May 24, 2019 for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received by the Public Works Department at the above address within the public review period. Comments can also be made during the public informational meeting and the public hearing. Copies of the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are available for review at the City at the above address and on the website at:

http://www.elkgrovecity.org/city_hall/departments_divisions/public_works/environmental/

PUBLIC HEARING: The public hearing for the Mitigated Negative Declaration is tentatively scheduled to be heard at the June 26, 2019 Elk Grove City Council Meeting. Please check the City Council Agenda at:

http://www.elkgrovecity.org/city_hall/city_government/city_council/council_meetings/agendas_minutes/ for changes to this tentatively scheduled hearing date.