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***City of Los Alamitos***

**NOTICE OF INTENT**

**TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

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The City of Los Alamitos (the "Lead Agency") hereby gives notice, that pursuant to the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the City Staff has analyzed:

**PROJECT NAME:** Los Alamitos Boulevard Median Island Beautification Project

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Los Alamitos Boulevard between Katella Avenue and Cerritos Avenue, in the City of Los Alamitos, CA 90720

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City is the lead agency for the Los Alamitos Boulevard Median Islands Beautification Project. This project includes the beautification of Los Alamitos Boulevard by installing a new landscaped center median from Katella Avenue north to Cerritos Avenue.

The Project will reduce the scale of Los Alamitos Boulevard, provide pedestrian refuge, and reduce existing pedestrian/automobile conflicts by allowing pedestrians to cross only one direction of traffic at a time. Adequate left-turn pockets are incorporated to provide space for vehicles making the left turns and U-turns. The medians include fixed objects, including trees, boulders, monument signs and decorative light poles placed to be set back from the island curb. Signage within the raised median islands has been incorporated in order to direct visitors to shopping and dining opportunities and to create a statement at the entrance to our community. Lighting has also been incorporated into the proposed medians to create a safe and secure environment for pedestrians at night. In addition, banner hardware has been incorporated into the design of the lighting fixtures to allow for the use of banners for special events and related municipal celebrations



The Initial Study was completed in accordance with the City's Guidelines implementing CEQA. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the "project" may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of the analysis within the Initial Study, the City Staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment with the incorporation of mitigation measures, and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the City.

Public comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be received by the City beginning on December 14, 2016 through January 4, 2017. Written comments should be sent to the attention of Mr. Steven Mendoza, Community Development Director, 3191 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA, 90720. Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 7, 2017.

A public hearing on the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and development project will be held by the City of Los Alamitos City Council on **January 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers at 3191 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA.

Copies of the Negative Declaration and all relevant documents are available for public inspection at the County of Orange Library, Los Alamitos-Rossmoor Library located at 12700 Montecito Road, Seal Beach, CA, Los Alamitos City Hall, Community Development Department, 3191 Katella Avenue during regular business hours, or via the City of Los Alamitos web site at: [http://cityoflosalamitos.org/Development Services/Planning Division](http://cityoflosalamitos.org/Development/Services/Planning%20Division)

Should you have any questions, you may reach Mr. Mendoza at (562) 431-3538.

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

Steven Mendoza, Director

Date: December 5, 2016