May 21, 2013

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Article 7 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering has prepared an Initial Study for the project described below. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts and proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration.

PROJECT TITLE: VAN NUYS FIRE STATION NO. 39 (W.O. E170094B)

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project would be located on the 14600 block of Oxnard Street, within the Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks Community Plan Area.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Los Angeles (City) is proposing to construct a replacement fire station on two vacant lots located on the corner of Oxnard Street and Vesper Avenue in Van Nuys. The existing Los Angeles City Fire Station No. 39, located at 14415 Sylvan Street (approximately 0.5 mile northeast), cannot house the additional resources needed to meet present and future demands for fire protection services. Prior to construction, the City would acquire the property under consideration. The proposed project will use accrued interest and savings from Proposition F, approved by voters on November 7, 2000. The replacement fire station will include an approximate 18,533-square-foot facility and other associated improvements. Disposition of the existing Fire Station No. 39 at 14415 Sylvan Street has not been determined at this time. Until such a determination is made, the Department of General Services would maintain the buildings.

In compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study has been prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of this project. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts. As such, the City proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The proposed project Initial Study/Negative Declaration will be circulated for a 21-day public review period, beginning on May 23, 2013 and ending on June 12, 2013. Copies of the document are available for review at the following location:

Van Nuys Branch Library
6250 Sylmar Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91401
Phone: (818) 756-8453

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A copy of this document may also be obtained by calling Catalina Hernandez of the Bureau of Engineering at (213) 485-5756 or by visiting the office address listed below, or by viewing the Bureau of Engineering Website, http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/. All comments must be submitted in writing no later than 4:00 PM on June 12, 2013, by mailing to:

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City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Works  
Bureau of Engineering  
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Los Angeles, CA 90015

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Thank you for your interest.

Figure 1. Project Location – Vacant parcels located on the 14600 block of Oxnard Street