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CEQA – NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Project Title

Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report, Campus Master Plan, Housing Expansion Phase I – Parkside North Housing Project – July 2019

State Clearinghouse Number

2007061092

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**Project Location – City of Long Beach,
Los Angeles County**

**Specific Campus – California State University,
Long Beach**

Project Description:

The EIR for the California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) Campus Master Plan Update was certified as adequate by the Board of Trustees of The California State University (CSU) on May 13, 2008. This Addendum to the Final EIR for the Campus Master Plan Update was prepared pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15164, to address minor project changes to proposed student housing on the campus since certification of the Campus Master Plan Update EIR in 2008.

In addition to comprehensive guidance for physical and programmatic improvements to accommodate 31,000 FTE students by 2020, the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update identifies five area plans for detailed development on campus, including a Student Housing area plan. The Campus Master Plan Update EIR evaluated the construction of 2,000 new bed spaces on campus, specifically providing for “Campus Housing Phase 1”, which would include almost 1,000 beds, dining commons, a coffee house, offices, and other amenities in the Parkside and Hillside Residential Housing complexes; and “Campus Housing Phase 2”, which would include more than 1,000 beds and other support facilities. While many of the other area plans proposed in the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update have been completed, none of the proposed new bed spaces have been built on the campus to date.

The currently proposed Parkside North Housing Project evaluated in this Addendum would be built on a portion of the “Campus Housing Phase 1” site designated for a student residential building in the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update and evaluated in the Campus Master Plan Update EIR. The portion of “Campus Housing Phase 1” planned on the Project site in the Campus Master Plan Update consisted of two L-shaped residential buildings or halls containing 522 beds (508 student beds and 14 resident assistant beds) around a central courtyard on the current site of the Housing and Residential Life (HRL) Office building (the Project site). A south residence hall was planned for four stories in height while a north residence hall was planned for three stories in height to maintain a low profile facing adjacent off-campus uses.

The proposed Project’s building characteristics are similar, but not identical, to those proposed for the Parkside North Student Housing building in the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update EIR. The currently proposed Project would include demolition of the existing, approximately 3,800-gross-square-foot (GSF) HRL Office building and construction of a new, approximately 136,000-GSF, three- and four-story

residential building; utility infrastructure improvements; and new lighting and landscaping. The Project would not include additional parking facilities.

In accordance with CEQA, an Addendum to the Campus Master Plan Update EIR certified in May 2008 was prepared to analyze the potential environmental effects associated with the currently proposed Parkside North Housing Project as compared to the project and associated analysis contained in the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update and Campus Master Plan Update EIR. The analysis presented in this Addendum concludes that the Parkside North Housing Project would not result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects. Therefore, the proposed Parkside North Housing Project does not trigger the need for further environmental analysis in a subsequent or supplemental EIR under the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, and an Addendum is the appropriate CEQA document (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15000 et seq.).

The California State University as the lead agency approved the above-described Project on July 23-24, 2019, and has made the following determinations regarding the Project:

1. The EIR for the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update addressed the potential significant environmental impacts, mitigation measures, comments, and responses to comments associated with the 2008 Campus Master Plan Update and all discretionary actions related thereto. The Board of Trustees certified the EIR as adequate under CEQA and approved the Campus Master Plan Update on May 13, 2008.
2. Subsequent to Campus Master Plan Update EIR certification in 2008, CSULB has made certain limited revisions to student housing as originally proposed within the portion of the approved Campus Master Plan Update designated for "Campus Housing Phase 1". An Addendum to the Final EIR has been prepared which has determined that these revisions would not involve new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of significant effects previously identified in the Final EIR. The Board of Trustees of the California State University, through the Office of the Chancellor, considered the Addendum with the Final EIR prior to its action approving the proposed Project.

This is to certify that the July 2019 Addendum to the Campus Master Plan Update Final EIR, supporting documentation, and record of Project approval are available to the General Public at: California State University, Long Beach, Physical Planning/Facilities Management, 1331 Palo Verde, Long Beach, CA 90807; and the CSU Office of the Chancellor, Capital Planning, Design and Construction, 401 Golden Shore, Long Beach, CA 90802-4210.



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