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

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**FROM:** City of Commerce  
Department of Economic Development  
and Planning  
2535 Commerce Way  
Commerce, California 90040

**Subject:** Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration/Notice of Availability and Initial Study for the Commerce Energy Storage 2023 Project at 6920 East Slauson Avenue, 6904 East Slauson Avenue and 6319-6337 Garfield Avenue, Commerce, California

**Introduction:** The City of Commerce Economic Development and Planning Department, in its capacity as the lead agency, is reviewing a development application for a proposed energy storage facility.

**Project Location:** The City of Commerce is located approximately six miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles and is bounded by the City of Montebello on the north and east, unincorporated East Los Angeles on the north, the cities of Vernon, Bell, and Maywood on the west, and the City of Bell Gardens on the south. The proposed project site is located in the southeastern portion of the city at 6920 East Slauson Avenue, 6904 East Slauson Avenue, and 6319-6337 Garfield Avenue.

**Project Description:** The proposed project calls for adding a battery energy storage facility at 6920 East Slauson Avenue, modifying the previously approved battery energy storage facility at 6904 East Slauson Avenue, and making related modifications at the Southern California Edison substation located at 6319-6337 Garfield Avenue.

**Findings:** The environmental analysis provided in this Initial Study indicates that the proposed project will not result in any significant adverse unmitigable impacts. For this reason, the City of Commerce has determined that a mitigated negative declaration is the appropriate CEQA document for the proposed project. The proposed use will be required to comply with all Federal, State, and local regulations regarding the battery energy storage. Furthermore, the project will be required to meet all State and local guidelines regarding wastewater discharge.

**Public Review:** The Initial Study for the proposed project has determined that the project will not have significant adverse environmental impacts on the environment. Copies of the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for public review at the following location:

City of Commerce Civic Center/Library  
Department of Community Development  
2535 Commerce Way  
Commerce, California 90040

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be submitted no later than 21 days after receipt of this notice. Please send your comments to Louis Morales, Interim Director, Economic Development and Planning at the City of Commerce, 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, California 90040. *A public hearing is scheduled to consider the proposed project for the Planning Commission on May 22nd, 2024 (6:30 PM) in the Public Safety Conference room.*

**Date:** April 19, 2024

**Signature:** 

Louis Morales  
Interim Director, Economic Development  
and Planning