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RE: 2019-002271 KIPP Academy
Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
SCH # 2022050250
Vic. Multiple
GTS # 07-LA-2022-03945

Dear Sean Donnelly:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced MND. Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration related to a request for a Conditional Use Permit and Parking Permit to authorize a new public charter school facility for Grades K-8 in the R-3 (Limited Density Multiple Residence) zone. The proposed school consists of an approximately 34,044 square foot, two story, 35-foot-tall building containing 24 classrooms. A 4,700-square-foot outdoor landscaping and playground area is proposed. Parking will be located in a garage below the building, and will include standard, compact, and tandem parking spaces. The project site is 1.09 acres in size and consists of nine legal lots and is currently vacant. The site was previously used as a parking lot. The County of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project site is approximately 2.4 miles east of Interstate 110 (I-110) and 3 miles north of Interstate 105 (I-105). After reviewing the MND, the project is located within one-half mile of Metro's Firestone Station which is served by the Metro A Line (Blue), a light rail line providing service between Downtown Los Angeles and Long Beach. Based on the project's proximity to public transit and satisfying the related screening criteria provided in the County's Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) Guidelines, it is determined that the project is presumed to have a less than significant transportation impact related to Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT). Therefore, no additional analysis related to VMT is required. The following information is included for your consideration.

Any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. Caltrans recommends that the project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods

to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

Finally, any work completed on or near Caltrans' right of way may require an encroachment permit. However, the final determination on this will be made by Caltrans' Office of Permits. This work would require additional review and may be subject to additional requirements to ensure current design standards and access management elements are being addressed. For more information on encroachment permits, see: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen Herrera, the project coordinator, at Karen.Herrera@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2022-03945.

Sincerely,



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