Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

Date: May 16, 2022

To: Responsible Agencies, Interested Parties and Organizations

Subject: Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Vesting Tentative Tract

Map No. 6294 Project in Fresno, CA

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Notice is Hereby Given: The <u>City of Fresno</u> (City) is the Lead Agency on the below-described Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6294 (Project) and has prepared a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The NOP is intended to solicit the views of the public, interested parties, and/or agencies as to the scope and content of the environmental information which is relevant to you or your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Specifically, the City is requesting that commenters identify environmental topics (and/or special studies) that they believe need to be explored in the forthcoming EIR, and to identify other relevant environmental issues related to the scope and content of the forthcoming EIR.

Project Title: Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6294 Project

Project Location: The proposed Project is located on approximately 30 acres at 5326 North Grantland Avenue, Fresno, California at the southeast corner of North Grantland Avenue and West Barstow Avenue. Site Latitude: 36.817221°, Site Longitude: –119.916142°. Mount Diablo Base & Meridian, NW quarter of Section 9, Township 13 South, Range 19 East (APN 505-060-07).

Project Description: Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6294 proposes the construction of 185 single-family residences, a 0.61-acre park, and public improvements on approximately 30-acres, located at the southeast corner of Grantland Avenue and Barstow Avenue in the City of Fresno. Associated entitlements to facilitate development of the proposed subdivision include a General Plan Amendment (Regional Mixed Use to Medium Density Residential), a Rezone from RMX to RS-5 (Regional Mixed Use to Single Family Residential, Medium Density), and a Planned Development Permit to modify building setback requirements. The project will also require dedications and/or acquisitions for public street rights-of-way and utility easements, as well as the construction of public facilities and infrastructure in accordance with the standards, specifications, and policies of the City of Fresno in order to facilitate the future proposed development of the subject property.

Areas of Potential Environmental Effects: Potentially significant environmental impacts of the Project include, but are not limited to, the following: Air Quality; Hydrology and Water Quality; Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Noise; Transportation.

Document Availability and Public Review Timeline: Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response to the NOP must be sent *no later than 30 days* after publication of this notice. The review period for

the NOP will be from May 16, 2022 to June 14, 2022. Copies of the NOP can be reviewed at the City of Fresno, 2600 Fresno Street, Room 3043, Fresno, CA 93721. Electronic copies can also be accessed on the City's website at: https://www.fresno.gov/darm/planning-development/plans-projects-under-review/

Public Scoping Meeting: The CEQA process encourages comments and questions from the public throughout the planning process. Pursuant to Section 15083 of the CEQA Guidelines, a Public Scoping Meeting will be held to solicit public comments on the scope and content of the EIR. A public scoping meeting for this project will be conducted virtually at 6:00 P.M. on May 31, 2022. The Webinar information is provided below:

Via Zoom online meeting at: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88343425130

Or by Phone at: +1 312 626 6799 Webinar ID: 883 4342 5130

Submitting Comments: Comments and suggestions as to the appropriate scope of analysis of the EIR are invited from all interested parties. Written comments or questions concerning the EIR for the proposed Project should be directed to the City's Project Planner at the following address by 5:00 p.m. on <u>June 13</u>, <u>2022</u>. Please include the commenter's full name, address, phone number and/or email so that we may contact you for clarification, if necessary. Please submit comments to:

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Figure 1: Regional Location

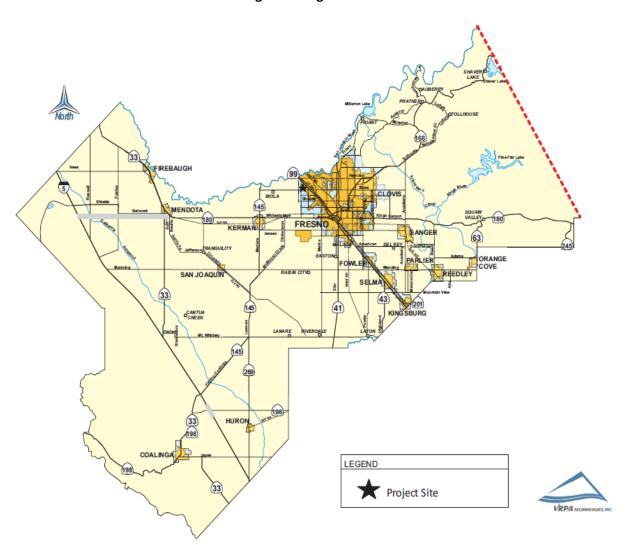


Figure 2: Location within City of Fresno

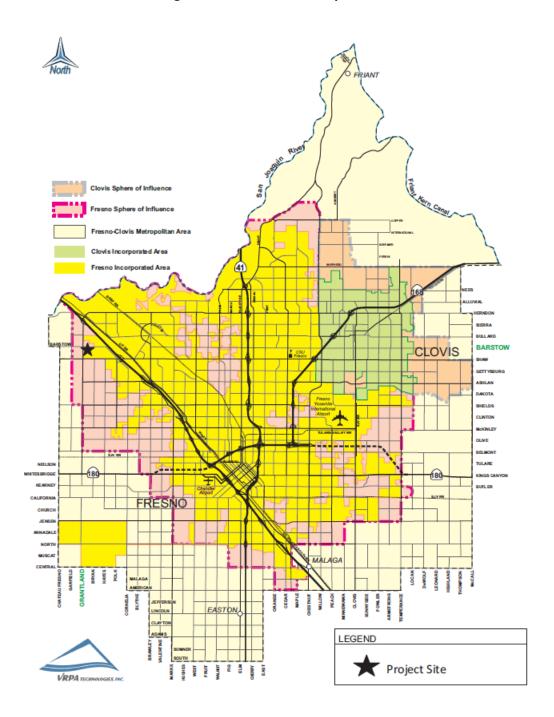


Figure 3: Site Plan

