

## **NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING**

The County of Los Angeles (“County”) is the lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) for the proposed project identified below. The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (“NOP”) is to notify agencies and the general public that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared to evaluate the potential environmental effects of the project and to solicit comments on the scope and content of the EIR.

**PROJECT TITLE/NO. & PERMIT(S):** Hope Gardens, 2020-000397-(5), Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2020000694, Oak Tree Permit No. RPPL2020000706, Environmental Review No. RPPL2020003232

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 2846-001-017, 018, 019 and 020, 12249 Lopez Canyon Road, Kagel/Lopez Canyons

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project applicant, Union Rescue Mission (“URM”), is requesting a new Conditional Use Permit (“CUP”) to replace an existing housing building known as the Sequoia Building with a new housing building within the Hope Gardens Family Center. The new building will be used for 117 housing units and supportive services. The project proposes to increase the housing capacity for up to a total of 525 formerly homeless women and children. The project requests a building height limit to increase up to 51 feet. The project proposes the removal of five oak trees and encroachment into the protected zone of eleven oak trees, including one (1) heritage tree.

### **POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:**

The project may result in significant environmental effects in the following subject areas that will be analyzed in the EIR:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology/Soils
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Wildfire
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

**NOTICE OF SCOPING MEETING:** The County will conduct a public scoping meeting to present the project as well as the EIR process and to receive public comments and suggestions regarding the scope and content of the EIR.

The Scoping Meeting will be held at the following time and location:

**Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.**

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87596867124>

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Translation in other languages can be made available at the meeting upon request. Please submit translation requests at least seven business days before the scheduled meeting to [mbush@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:mbush@planning.lacounty.gov).

All comments related to this Notice must be postmarked or received by **July 19, 2022**. Comments may be sent to Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning, Foothills Development Services Section, Attention: Michele Bush, 320 West Temple Street, Room 1348, Los Angeles, CA 90012, or emailed to [mbush@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:mbush@planning.lacounty.gov).

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The NOP and Initial Study are available for public review online at <https://planning.lacounty.gov/case/view/2020-000397>.