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SCH #:  Not Available

Project Title: Freeway Adjacent Digital Display Billboards Ordinance

Lead Agency: City of Oxnard

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Project Location: Oxnard  Ventura
City  County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Project involves amendments to Article IX. Advertising Signs of the Oxnard City Code to permit Freeway Adjacent Digital Display Billboards on parcels designated as commercial, industrial, or public facilities within 400 feet of the U.S. 101 right-of-way within the City of Oxnard. The installation and operation of individual electronic billboards would require approval of a Special Use Permit. No Freeway Adjacent Digital Billboard may be placed at a distance of less than 100 feet from the property line of any residentially zoned parcel. All Freeway Adjacent Digital Display Billboards would have a maximum face display area of 14 feet in height and 48 feet in width, would be oriented primarily for viewing from the adjacent freeway, and would have a maximum height of 55 feet as measured from the pavement level of the adjacent freeway to the bottom of the digital display. Each Freeway Adjacent Digital Display Billboard shall be separated from every other Freeway Adjacent Digital Display Billboard by at least 2,000 feet.

Identify the project’s significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The implementation of the proposed Project would result in potentially significant impacts associated with aesthetics (lighting), air quality, biological resources, cultural resources and tribal cultural resources, and noise. Mitigation measures have been required to reduce each potentially significant impact to less than significant. Compliance with State law and the General Plan goals and policies identified within Sections 3.1 (Aesthetics and Urban Design), 3.3 (Air Quality), 3.4 (Biological Resources), 3.6 (Cultural Resources and Tribal Cultural Resources), and 3.12 (Noise) and implementation of the required mitigation measures within the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration would reduce potential significant impacts. These measures include: (AES-1 through AES-3) regulating light trespass, including an operating mechanism for electronic billboard malfunctions or failures, conducting a third party test for the installed electronic billboard, (AQ-1) demonstrating that the electronic billboard would not exceed Ventura County Air Pollution Control District thresholds of significance, (BIO-1 and BIO-2) conducting a pre-construction survey for active bird nests and conducting protocol focused survey for least Bell’s vireo, and (CUL-1 through CUL-3) monitoring and collecting, if necessary, any discovered historical, archaeological, paleontological, and tribal cultural resources. After the implementation of the required mitigation measures, the potential significant impacts would be reduced to less than significant. No remaining significant impacts would occur.

If applicable, describe any of the project’s areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The known potential areas of controversy include visual impacts from U.S. 101 and surrounding areas and impacts on biological resources.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

No approvals from other public agencies are required for the proposed Program.