

CITY OF PORTERVILLE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE VILLAS AT SIERRA MEADOWS 4 & 5 RESIDENTIAL PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Porterville (City) plans to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the construction of the Villas at Sierra Meadows 4 & 5 Residential Project (PRC 2020-048-S). The public hearing will be held at the City of Porterville - City Hall, in the City Council Chambers, located at 291 North Main Street, Porterville, CA 93257, on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 6:30 pm. Participation in the meeting will also be available via Zoom. Login information for the Zoom call will be included in the agenda packet, which will post to the City's website on Friday, January 13, 2023.

Smee Homes intends to construct up to 80 single-family residential units and a neighborhood park on an approximately 20-acre parcel located at the southwest corner of W. Gibbons Avenue and S. Jaye Street. To facilitate the development, the Project also includes a General Plan Amendment, a Tentative Subdivision Map, a Conditional Use Permit, and Annexation to the City of Porterville. The City of Porterville General Plan designates the northern part of the site as Public Institutional and the southern part as Low Density Residential; the Project would amend the land use designation of the northern portion to Low Density Residential as well. The Project site is zoned RS-2.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, an Initial Study has been prepared describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the Project. Based on the Initial Study, the City has made a preliminary determination that, with mitigation incorporated, the Project will not result in any significant environmental impacts. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review upon written notice to 291 North Main Street, Porterville, CA 93257. The public review period during which the City will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on December 16, 2022, and end on January 17, 2023. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Jason Ridenour, Assistant City Manager at the address shown above or by email: jridenour@ci.porterville.ca.us.

The site has been reviewed in accordance with Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not listed as a hazardous waste or materials site.