

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION Ken Adam Park Discontinuance

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Lompoc is circulating Initial Study/ Negative Declaration (IS/ND) for public comment.

**Project/Location:** The subject property is approximately 82.13 acres of City-owned land (APN 095-070-008), including Ken Adam Park, located in the northern portion of the City of Lompoc ("Site") and lies off of Highway 1 at Hancock Drive and US Highway 1, adjacent to the Lompoc campus of Allan Hancock College. (See **Figure 1: Location Map**.)

**Project Description:** The City of Lompoc ("City") is considering whether to place a measure on the November 2024 election ballot that would discontinue the public park use of an approximately 82-acre parcel (APN 095-070-008) that includes Ken Adam Park (Proposed Action).

The Negative Declaration being prepared by the City that will evaluate changes for the proposed ballot measure is described as follows.

Consideration of a ballot measure at the March 2024 election to discontinue the use of Ken Adam
Park as a public park so that it may be used for other educational and recreational purposes, or
other open space purposes, or both, including a possible sale to Pale Blue Dot Ventures, Inc. for a
proposed space-themed educational and recreational development.

No development is proposed at this time or is part of the ballot measure. Any future development would be subject to environmental review under CEQA after any application is submitted to the City.

Neither the ballot measure nor the discontinuance of the park use would require the City to commit in any way to any possible use or development proposal on the Site nor any possible sale of the Site. Nor would the ballot measure or discontinuance of the park use restrict the City's discretion in any way with regard to its consideration of any possible future use or future development project, and would not restrict the City's ability to approve, conditionally approve, or deny any project or use or sale.

**Document Availability:** The IS/ND will be available for review at the following locations beginning on Monday, April 1, 2024:

• Lompoc City Hall, Planning Department, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA 93436

The document is also available on the City's website at:

https://www.cityoflompoc.com/government/departments/economic-community-development

Public Review Period: The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study/MND is from April 1, 2024 to April 30, 2024.

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**Comments:** Any person who wishes to comment on the City's intent to adopt the Negative Declaration must submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30, 2024. Written comments may be sent to c/o Teri Schwab at the City of Lompoc at 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA 93436.

Comments may also be sent by e-mail to: t\_schwab@ci.lompoc.ca.us

**Project Impacts:** Based on the findings of the Initial Study, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant effect upon the environment and no mitigation is required.

Additionally, the project site is not known to contain any significant hazardous waste contamination under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

**Public Hearing:** The date, time, and place of future public hearings will be appropriately notified per City and CEQA requirements. Currently, it is anticipated that the City Council will hear this item at its May 21, 2024 regular meeting.

Figure 1, Location Map

