



## CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

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### CITY OF FRESNO

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

- Project Name:** City of Fresno McKinley Avenue Widening Project
- Lead Agency:** City of Fresno  
Public Works Department  
2600 Fresno Street, Room 4016  
Fresno, CA 93721
- Contact Person:** Brandon Chacon  
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- Project Location:** The project site consists of an approximately 0.5-mile segment of McKinley Avenue between Marks and Hughes Avenues in the City of Fresno, California
- Project Sponsor:** City of Fresno  
Public Works Department  
2600 Fresno Street, Room 4016  
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- Project Description:** The City of Fresno proposes to widen an approximately 0.5-mile segment of McKinley Avenue between Marks Avenue and Hughes Avenue. The project would include the widening of McKinley Avenue to the ultimate right-of-way (ROW) configuration and construction of associated roadway improvements, including installation of curbs, gutters, sidewalks, curb ramps, 15 streetlights, a high-intensity activated crosswalk (HAWK) signal, traffic signal modifications, signage, and striping. The proposed project would require partial ROW acquisitions from seven parcels along westbound McKinley Avenue. The project would result in a new dedicated right-turn lane between Marks Avenue and Pleasant Avenue; however, the project would not create any new through lanes.

The proposed project would require partial ROW acquisitions from the following seven parcels along westbound McKinley Avenue, listed by Assessor's Parcel Number (APN; Figure 2):

- APN: 442-111-20
- APN: 442-111-12
- APN: 442-111-11
- APN: 442-111-10
- APN: 442-351-08
- APN: 442-351-07
- APN: 442-352-07

The project would not require the removal or demolition of any existing buildings or structures on the parcels proposed for partial ROW acquisition.

The project would result in approximately 6.75 acres of ground disturbance, including 650 cubic yards of cut and 650 cubic yards of fill. The maximum depth of excavation would be up to 9 feet for replacement of existing wood Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) electric poles. The project includes the removal of three ornamental trees. The project includes the temporary relocation of existing public utilities in the project area, including manhole covers, water valves, storm drain inlets, and electric poles. Construction of the proposed project is expected to occur over a 9-month period beginning in June 2026.

**Initial Study:**

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Fresno Capital Projects Department has undertaken environmental review for the proposed City of Fresno McKinley Avenue Widening Project and intends to adopt an IS/MND. The City of Fresno Capital Projects Department invites all interested persons and agencies to comment on the proposed project.

A 30-day public comment period for this IS/MND begins on April 25, 2024 and ends on May 25, 2024. During this comment period, written comments regarding this project, the findings of the proposed IS/MND, and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study, may be submitted to the City of Fresno Capital Projects Department (at the above address). A public hearing before the City of Fresno City Council will be scheduled for a later date, to be determined and noticed separately. All hearings and meetings will be located

in the City Hall Chambers, 2600 Fresno Street 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Fresno, California 93721

Additional information on the proposed project, including the proposed environmental finding of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Initial Study may be obtained from the Transportation Project Management, Capital Projects Department, 747 R Street, 2nd Floor, Fresno, California 93721. Please contact Brandon Chacon Projects Administrator at (559) 621-8713 or via email at [brandon.chacon@fresno.gov](mailto:brandon.chacon@fresno.gov) for more information.

ANY INTERESTED PERSON may comment on the proposed environmental finding. Comments must be in writing and must state (1) the commentor's name and address; (2) the commentor's interest in, or relationship to, the project; (3) the environmental determination being commented upon; and (4) the specific reason(s) why the proposed environmental determination should or should not be made. Any comments may be submitted at any time between the publication date of this notice and close of business on May 25, 2024. Please direct comments to Brandon Chacon Projects Administrator, Transportation Project Management, Capital Projects Department, 747 R Street, 2nd Floor, Fresno, California 93721; or by email to [brandon.chacon@fresno.gov](mailto:brandon.chacon@fresno.gov).