PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of a Draft Initial Study and Intent to Adopt a Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration Markham Street Extension Project

PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION

<u>Date:</u> June 18, 2024 <u>Time:</u> 5:00 PM to 6:45 PM

Place: Woodcrest Community Library

16625 Krameria Ave, Riverside, CA 92504

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The County of Riverside Transportation Department (CEQA Lead Agency) is proposing roadway improvements to Markham Street between Roosevelt Street and Wood Road for approximately 1.3 miles to improve traffic circulation in the community of Woodcrest in Riverside County, California. Proposed roadway improvements would include two 12-foot-wide travel lanes (one in each direction), with a 5-foot-wide westbound and 6-foot-wide eastbound Class II bike lane. The northern edge of the roadway would have an 8-foot-wide unpaved shoulder, and the southern edge of the roadway would include curb and gutters, a 6-foot-wide sidewalk, and a 6-foot-wide parkway. Traffic signal improvements and intersection modifications would be required. Existing property driveways would be modified to connect to new roadway improvements. Drainage improvements would include storm drains along the roadway and the addition of culverts to direct storm-flow drainage across the roadway. Existing utilities may require relocation or modifications. The proposed project would require partial right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions, temporary construction easements, and permanent easements.



WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

The County of Riverside has studied the proposed project and concluded that it would not significantly affect the environment. The report detailing this finding is called an Initial Study. This notice serves to advertise the availability of the Draft Initial Study and your opportunity to read and comment on it, as well as the opportunity to attend a public meeting on **June 18**, **2024**. The meeting will be an open house format; no formal presentation is planned. The County of Riverside Transportation Department will consider approval of the proposed project and adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the project after June 27, 2024.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Draft Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Markham Street Extension Project will be available beginning May 28, 2024. **This document will be available for 30 days from May 28, 2024, until June 27, 2024.** The document will be available for review at the following locations:

- County of Riverside Transportation Department, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501
- https://rcprojects.org/d10078-markham-street-extension

Please submit your comments in writing no later than June 27, 2024, to David Castro, Riverside County Transportation Department, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501 or via email at dacastro@rivco.org. The date we will begin accepting comments is May 28, 2024. Based on study findings in the MND, the County of Riverside has determined that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment because potential effects are less than significant level through the incorporation of the avoidance and minimization measures. Pursuant to Section 15072(g)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, it has been determined that the project footprint is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code pertaining to hazardous wastes. Your written comments will be considered in the decision on the project and will be forwarded to the County Board of Supervisors before action is taken on the project. Notice of said decision will be mailed to any person requesting notification. No decision will be taken until after the review period is complete.

CONTACT

WHERE YOU COME IN

For more information about this project or to receive a copy of the Draft Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Markham Street Extension Project, please contact David Castro, Associate Transportation Planner, Riverside County Transportation Department, at (951) 955-9719 or dacastro@rivco.org. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations, including auxiliary aids and services at no cost, to participate in the meeting by contacting the individual noted above at least three (3) business days before the scheduled event. This document is available in alternate formats upon request.