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

Public Resources Code Section 21092 and Cal. Code of Regulations Title 14, Section 15072 (the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act) require a local agency to provide a notice of intent to adopt a negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration to the public, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and the county clerk of each county within which the proposed project is located, sufficiently prior to adoption by the lead agency of the negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration to allow the public and agencies the review period provided under Section 15105 of the Guidelines.

Project Title: ENV-2024-575-MND

Project Location: 16600 – 16602 West Vanowen Street and 16601 W. Archwood Street, 91406

Project Description: The proposed project is the construction, use and maintenance of a new two-story, 33 feet in height, 56,366 square foot public charter school with a maximum enrollment of 564 students (grades 6-12) on two vacant, adjoining lots totaling approximately 108,938 square feet (2.5 acres). As proposed, the project includes 27 classrooms, administrative office space, a 1,753 square foot Multipurpose Room (MPR), 16,738 square foot gymnasium, and 14,363 square foot play yard area. The applicant is proposing to provide 91 automobile parking spaces, 111 bicycle parking spaces (108 short-term and 3 long-term), 400 square feet of loading space, 25,253 square feet of landscaping, and 47,473 square feet of hardscape. Additionally, the project proposes to maintain the existing eight foot concrete cement wall along the perimeter of the south and west property lines and proposes an eight foot wrought iron fence along the north and east property lines with the exception of two eight foot vehicle gates to be located at the ingress and egress along the southeastern property line on De Celis Place and northwestern property line along Vanowen Street. An eight foot pedestrian gate is also proposed at the northwestern portion of the property. One 16 foot high net is proposed along the northeastern property line to shield any oncoming traffic from play area activity. The proposed project would include the removal of 20 mature, significant trees and no grading. The project proposes a total of 39 replacement trees (including 23 parking lot shade trees).

Schedule: The City of Los Angeles will receive comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for 30 days beginning **Thursday, April 24, 2025** and ending **Tuesday, May 27, 2025**. The City of Los Angeles, as lead agency, will make a determination on the project, following a public hearing to be scheduled.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced in the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available on the Department of City Planning's website at <https://planning.lacity.org/project-review/environmental-review/published-documents>. Submit your comments by contacting Courtney Yellen at courtney.yellen@lacity.org or (818) 374-5059 or if you need to review the case file materials.

Signature: *Courtney Yellen* Date: 4/17/2025