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TO: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

SUBJECT: **Notice of Availability** and **Notice of Intent** to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Moss Street Beach Access Rehabilitation Project - CIP 21-9461

This serves as the City of Laguna Beach Public Works Department's Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Moss Street Beach Access Rehabilitation Project - CIP 21-9461, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

PROJECT TITLE: Moss Street Beach Access Rehabilitation Project - CIP 21-9461

PROJECT LOCATION: Western terminus of Moss Street at the Pacific Ocean, City of Laguna Beach, County of Orange

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Laguna Beach Public Works Department is proposing the Moss Street Beach Access Rehabilitation Project. The Project includes rehabilitation and replacement of existing stairs, a viewing deck, and landscaping associated with coastal access point improvements. The rehabilitated coastal access point will provide controlled direction of areas of interest to enjoy scenic vista corridors of the Pacific Ocean and the City Beach. The proposed improvements will enhance accessibility and provide new railings for increased safety. The Project will also enhance landscaping at the access point. It will also include the installation of a permanent Lifeguard Observation Tower (LOT) manned by a lifeguard seasonally (Memorial Day through Labor Day). The Project would entail demolition and disposal of existing walls and stairs and construction of the base piling for the LOT. The construction duration is estimated to take up to four months to complete. Typical construction methods would be employed (e.g., cast-in-drilled hole foundations, retaining walls, slab on grade, minor structural earthwork and grading, street and storm drain improvements, LOT pre-assembly). Construction is expected to commence in 2022 and be completed by 2023.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: The City of Laguna Beach Public Works Department proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, through compliance with the Mitigation Measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts would be reduced to less than significant with mitigation. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City of Laguna Beach Public Works Department.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for a 30-day review period from **November 17, 2021 through December 17, 2021.** The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and associated documents may be viewed at the following locations:

- City of Laguna Beach Public Works Office, 479 Ocean Avenue, Laguna Beach, California 92651
- Laguna Beach Public Library, 363 Glenneyre Street, Laguna Beach, California 92651
- City of Laguna Beach Website:
https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/pw/cityprojects/moss_street_beach_access.htm

For questions regarding the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration contact Mr. Matthew Oxford, Project Manager, Tel. (949) 497-0792, E-mail: moxford@lagunabeachcity.net


In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, any comments concerning the findings of the proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and received by the City of Laguna Beach Public Works Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 17, 2021, in order to be considered prior to the final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period. Please mail or email your written comments to: Mr. Matthew Oxford, Project Manager, Tel. (949) 497-0792, E-mail: moxford@lagunabeachcity.net

Starting Date: November 17, 2021

Ending Date: December 17, 2021

CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH HEARING:

A public hearing to review this project will be scheduled in early 2022. Additional public noticing regarding the date, time, and place of the hearing will be provided.

Date: November 16, 2021 Signature: 
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