NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Irvine is considering a recommendation that the project herein identified will have no significant environmental impact in compliance with Section 15070 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. Copies of the **PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ND)** and **INITIAL STUDY (IS)**, which support the proposed findings, are on file at the City of Irvine.

State Clearinghouse No.: (if applicable)	N/A
Project Title and File No.:	City of Irvine General Plan Housing Element 2021–2029 Update File No. 00832121-PGA
Project Applicant:	City of Irvine Community Development Department 1 Civic Center Plaza Irvine, California 92606
Project Location:	Citywide
Project Description:	The City of Irvine Community Development Department is currently preparing a 6th Cycle update of its Housing Element for the 2021–2029 planning period pursuant to state requirements. The Housing Element Update includes a comprehensive analysis of the community's current and future housing needs and includes policies and actions to help facilitate the preservation, improvement, and development of housing to accommodate the City's share of the state-mandated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) allocation by income levels. Although the City does not build the housing, the City's Housing Element creates a plan and regulatory framework, which provide opportunities for the private sector to do so where market conditions determine when and where housing is built.
Information Available:	Copies of the Draft ND are available for your review at the Community Development Department, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine (City Hall), during normal work hours. In addition, the IS/ND and other project information is accessible online at <u>www.cityofirvine.org/HEUpdate</u> .
Citizen Involvement:	The Draft IS/ND is being circulated for a 30-day public review period as follows: <u>beginning on November 15, 2021, and ending on December 15, 2021</u> . All written comments on the Draft IS/ND must be received by the close of business on December 15, 2021, and can be emailed and/or mailed to:
	Melissa Chao, Senior Planner City of Irvine, Community Development Department 1 Civic Center Plaza Irvine, CA 92606 <u>mchao@cityofirvine.org</u>
	Following the close of the public review period, the Community Development Department will incorporate responses to comments received and prepare a Final IS/ND. The Final IS/ND and the Housing Element Update will be considered by the Planning Commission and City Council at noticed public hearings in the coming months.

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Notice Date: November 12, 2021