

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Heritage Park Master Plan



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 Sections 21092, 21092.3, and 315070 of State of California, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. A copy of the **PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and INITIAL STUDY**, which support the proposed findings are on file at the City of Irvine.

Project Title: Heritage Park Master Plan for the long-term rehabilitation of Heritage Community Park including an array of improvements to the park grounds and facilities.

Lead Agency: City of Irvine, 1 Civic Center Plaza, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575

Applicant: City of Irvine, 1 Civic Center Plaza, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575

Project Location: The project site is located at 14301 Yale Avenue, north of Walnut Avenue, south of the Interstate-5 (I-5) Freeway, east of Esclar, and west of Yale Avenue in Planning Area 11 (El Camino Real) in the City of Irvine, County of Orange.

Project Description: The project consists of a plan for long-term rehabilitation of Heritage Community Park including the following improvements: a new community center; an expanded fine arts center; new play areas; new pickleball courts; new and updated water features; walking, exercise, and picnic amenities; a new swimming pool and ancillary locker/shower/restroom building addition to the Woollett Aquatics Center; a new interconnecting parking lot and a small expansion of an existing parking lot; circulation improvements throughout for pedestrians and vehicles; accessibility improvements; irrigation and lighting improvements; modernization of existing buildings; and, various hardscape and landscape improvements.

Public Review Period: Begins: November 14, 2024 Ends: December 6, 2024
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Info Available: The **Draft Initial Study - Mitigated Negative Declaration** is available for your review on the City's website at:

<https://www.cityofirvine.org/parks-facilities/heritage-community-park-improvements-master-plan>

Environmental Impact: Mitigation Measures have been included in the project to avoid potentially significant effects in the following areas:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Hazards and Hazardous Material
- Geology and Soils
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Noise

Hazardous Waste Sites: The project site is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5.

Public Comments: In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines for implementing CEQA, any written comments concerning the findings of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received by the City of Irvine no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 6, 2024, in order to be considered prior to the City's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this 30-day public review period. Please send your comments to Kathleen Haton, Project Manager, via mail to City of Irvine, Public Works and Sustainability Department, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575 or via email to khaton@cityofirvine.org.

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Date: November 14, 2024