NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

for the Long Beach Citadel Project

This serves as the City of Long Beach's (City) Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Long Beach Citadel Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

Name of Project: Long Beach Citadel Project

Project Location: The project site is located on approximately 3.6 acres at 3012 Long Beach Boulevard

and 455 East Spring Street in the City of Long Beach. The project site includes Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs) 7207-019-018 to 020, 028 to 032, 052 and 053, 7207-020-022 to 026, 060 and 061. The site is situated along the north side of East Spring Street, east of the intersection with Long Beach Boulevard. The project site includes portions of Elm and Pasadena Avenues just north of East Spring Street.

Lead Agency: City of Long Beach, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5th Floor, Long Beach, California 90802

Project Description: The project site is located on a portion of an approximately 3.6-acre existing Salvation Army Citadel Community Center Campus. The project involves construction of a new two-story 22,391 square foot two-story gymnasium that includes a fitness center and activity room. This project also includes a youth soccer field and 70 additional on-site surface parking spaces for a total of 180 on-site surface parking spaces for this Salvation Army Campus. This project would require the vacation of a portion of Elm Avenue where it passes through the site to engage the soccer field and activities to the east as well as the gym and Community Center to the west, and the vacation of a north south alley located between Elm and Pasadena Avenue. Elm Street would become a cul-de-sac at the northern site boundary. Gym access would be provided by drive lanes from Spring Street and Long Beach Boulevard, through the existing parking lot located at the intersections of these two streets. Altogether, the existing and proposed improvements for this Campus would include a 215 seat chapel, classrooms for after school programs, computer labs, library resource center, senior day activities center, kitchen, multi-purpose rooms, indoor sports court, fitness center, jogging track, lockers, showers, outdoor walking paths, soccer field, outdoor children's playground, support offices, and a food pantry.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting materials are available for public review at the following locations:

- City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5th Floor, Long Beach, California 90802;
- Long Beach Main Library, 101 Pacific Avenue, Long Beach, California 90802; and
- City of Long Beach website at: http://www.lbds.info/planning/environmental_planning/environmental_reports.asp

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Public Review Period: Begins – March 1, 2018 Ends – March 30, 2018

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 no later than 4:30 p.m. on the closing date of the public review period as cited above*, 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 public review period. Please submit your written comments to Steven Valdez, City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90802.