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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR
BURBANK BLVD. WIDENING – LANKERSHIM BLVD. TO CLEON AVE.
(W.O. E1906869)**

Date: July 14, 2009

To: All Interested Persons

The City of Los Angeles (City) proposes to widen a 0.6-mile stretch of Burbank Boulevard from Lankershim Boulevard to Cleon Avenue by approximately 13 feet on each side of the street. The widened portion of Burbank Boulevard would be restriped to include two lanes for through traffic, a left-turn lane, and a parking lane in each direction. Sidewalks would be constructed to a uniform width of 10 feet. The project would also involve constructing catch basins, installing the necessary storm drain pipes, and making curb drain adjustments. Further improvements include adjusting multiple maintenance holes to grade, planting new trees, and relocating utilities including power poles, streetlights, and traffic signals, where necessary.

The existing eight streetlights would be removed and reinstalled within the project limits and sixty-two additional streetlights installed. Approximately eight street trees would be removed and replaced, according to city policy, at a ratio of 2:1.

The proposed project would require permanent easements on 18 parcels to accommodate the expanded right-of-way. An existing building at 11178 Burbank Boulevard, located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Klump Avenue and Burbank Boulevard, would either be cut and refaced or demolished to accommodate the expanded right-of-way.

During construction, which is scheduled to begin in July 2012 and last for 24 months, at least one lane in each direction would be maintained, with no detours expected. After completion of the widening and restriping, some street parking spaces would be eliminated, resulting in the net loss of approximately five to seven parking spaces on the north side of Burbank Boulevard east of Elmer Avenue and west of Fulcher Avenue.



This project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In compliance with CEQA requirements, an initial study has been prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of this proposed project. Based on that study, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required. Therefore, the City proposes to adopt a negative declaration. This notice is intended to give interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed project and the initial study.

The negative declaration and initial study are available, in English, for review at:

- North Hollywood Regional Library, 5211 Tujunga Avenue, (818) 766-7185
Hours: Mondays thru Thursdays 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Fridays and Saturdays 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Sundays 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Online at http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/Environmental_Review_Documents.htm
- Bureau of Engineering, Environmental Management Group office. Please call Julie Van Wagner at (213) 485-5754 to schedule an appointment.

Comments on the environmental document must be submitted in writing to:

Julie Van Wagner
City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Works
Bureau of Engineering, Environmental Management Group
1149 S. Broadway, Suite 600
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Or via fax to (213) 847-0656
Or via e-mail to Julie.VanWagner@lacity.org

The 20-day public comment period begins Thursday, July 16, 2009. **Comments must be in writing and received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2009.** All comments will be entered into the record and submitted with the environmental document to the City Council for adoption of the negative declaration and consideration of the project.

