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Re: Notice of Intent to File Suit Under The California Environmental Quality Act Regarding the Arden Way Affordable Housing Project (DR18-390)

Dear Addressees:

Please take notice, pursuant to Public Resources Code (“PRC”) § 21167.5, that Petitioner Woodlake Neighbors Creating Transparency (“Petitioner”) intends to file a Verified Petition for Peremptory Writ of Mandate (“Petition”) under the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), PRC § 21000 *et seq.*, against Respondents City of Sacramento and Sacramento Department of Community Development regarding challenging the June 26, 2019 decision of the Sacramento Department of Community Development including their: (1) exemption of the Arden Way Affordable Housing Project from CEQA review under Public Resources Code section 21155.4; and (2) exemption of the Arden Way Affordable Housing Project from CEQA review under Government Code section 65457.

Among other issues, Petitioners will allege that Respondents failed to proceed in the manner required by law by exempting the Arden Way Affordable Housing Project from CEQA review despite new information since environmental impact report for the Swanston Station Transit Village Special Plan was certified and despite the Arden Way Affordable Housing Project’s inconsistencies with the Swanston Station Transit Village Special Plan.

The petition being filed will seek the following relief:

1. For a stay pending trial of Respondents’ decisions exempting the Project from CEQA review.
2. For a peremptory writ of mandate ordering:
 - a. Respondents to vacate and set aside its exemption of the Project from CEQA review on the grounds that adequate compliance with Government

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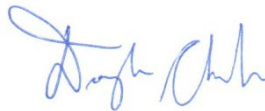
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Code section 65457 and Public Resources Code section 21155.4 did not precede the exemption; and

- b. Respondents to comply with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines in any subsequent action taken to consider approval of the Project.
3. For the costs of suit.
4. For an award of attorney fees pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5 and any other applicable provisions of law or equity.
5. For any other equitable or legal relief that the Court considers just and proper.

Petitioners urge Respondents to rescind the exemption of the Project from CEQA review, to conduct the appropriate environmental review, and to prepare the appropriate CEQA document for the Project as required by law.

Sincerely,



Doug Chermak
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Attorney for Petitioner

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Toyer Gear, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the State of California, and employed in Oakland, California. I am over the age of 18 years and am not a party to the above-entitled action. My business address is 1939 Harrison Street, Suite 150, Oakland, California, 94612.

On August 8, 2019, I served a copy of the foregoing document entitled:

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on the following parties:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BY MAIL. By placing the document listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid for First Class mail, in the United States mail at Oakland, California addressed as set forth above.
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed April 30, 2019 at Oakland, California.



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