NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing for the City Council regarding a Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Report for Dorsey Marketplace

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Grass Valley City Council will hold a public hearing on September 10th, 2024 at 6:00 pm at City Hall located at 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley. The purpose of the hearing will be to consider the certification of the Supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Report (SFEIR) for the Dorsey Marketplace Project. In April 2020, the City certified the Final EIR and granted several discretionary approvals in support of the Dorsey Marketplace Project. In August 2020, the adequacy of the Final EIR was challenged by a Petition for Writ of Mandate. The trial court found in favor of the City and the plaintiffs appealed that decision. The Court of Appeal found that the EIR did not adequately address potential human health effects associated with mobile source air pollution emanating from SR 20/49 under a cumulative impacts scenario. Accordingly, on October 19, 2023, the Nevada County Superior Court issued a judgment and peremptory writ of mandate directing the City to correct the deficiencies in the EIR's analysis of SR 20/49 as a contributor of mobile source emissions, and the associated health risks for future Project residents and occupants, and the degree to which the Project may exacerbate these risks. Due to the court's ruling, this SFEIR addresses only the issue of potential health effects due to exposure to mobile source air pollution associated with traffic on SR 20/40. No other portion of the 2019 EIR or the project approvals is revised or supplemented.

The 2019 Final EIR identified potentially significant impacts related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, climate change, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, land use, noise, and transportation. Most of these impacts will be substantially reduced or avoided with implementation of mitigation measures; however, impacts associated with climate change and transportation were identified as significant and unavoidable. The SFEIR does not identify any new significant impacts or impacts more severe than those that were identified in the 2019 Final EIR. The SFEIR was available for a 45-day public review and comment from February 3 through March 19, 2024. Responses to Comments were published on the City's website and at the State Clearinghouse on August 22, 2024.

Information related to this item is available at 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, between the hours of 7:30AM-5PM on Monday thru Thursday.

Written comments can be directed to the City of Grass Valley, at 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945 or by telephone or email at 530-274-4390 no later than 5 pm on September 10th, 2024, to ensure placement in the official record of the hearing.

The City of Grass Valley does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify, age, religion or disability. If you require specific accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk, at 530-274-4716 at least 2 days prior to the scheduled hearing.

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Taylor Day, City Clerk

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