OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

February 18, 2016

To the Honorable City Council
of the City of Pasadena

Mayor and Councilmembers:

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1. <u>Reminder: No Outdoor Watering February 25 to March 10, 2016</u>:

The City is reminding Pasadena residents and business that from February 25 through March 10, 2016, the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) will be halting imported water supply to Pasadena to conduct planned upgrades to its Weymouth Water Treatment Plant. Sixty percent of Pasadena's water supply consists of imported water from the MWD.

At the January 25, 2016 City Council meeting, the Council approved the temporary adoption and implementation of the Level 4 Water Supply Shortage Plan during the shutdown period. It is critical that Pasadena be able to preserve its drinking water as it will have to rely on local groundwater from local wells and reservoirs. Without strong conservation during this period, Pasadena will not have a sufficient water supply during the shutdown period.

According to Shari Thomas, Interim General Manager, the Level 4 Plan prohibits all outdoor watering, including the use of hand watering. The City will continue to do its part to conserve water and during the proposed shutdown period will not conduct any scheduled water quality flushing, new service connections, and fire flow testing.

There may be an opportunity for Pasadena to access an alternative imported water supply from MWD about half way through the currently scheduled shutdown period. Until delivery of the alternative water supply actually begins and that it is confirmed as a sufficient and reliable supply, the ban on all

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outdoor watering will remain in effect. PWP will notify the community when the Level 4 irrigation ban has ended through the use of roadside "reader boards," messaging on the City and PWP websites and social media outlets. When the City can safely lift the Level 4 restrictions and the ban on outdoor watering, the Level 2 Water Shortage Supply Plan will resume that limits watering to Saturdays only. To learn more about the shutdown and additional indoor and outdoor conservation tips, visit http://www.cityofpasadena.net/waterandpower/MWDshutdown/

2. Pasadena's Water Conservation Progress at 21%: June 1, 2015 – February 10, 2016:

The Pasadena Water Savings Gauge remained at 21% as City officials continue to urge everyone to conserve more water during this critical time. On February 2, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board ("SWRCB") extended the deadline of its statewide conservation mandate from February 2016 to October 2016. Pasadena is still required to meet its 28% goal.

Data from June 1, 2015 – Feb. 10, 2016
More conservation is needed.
Keep doing your part to save water.

For a weekly status on how much water Pasadena has conserved to date, the water savings gauge is posted to the city's website http://www.CityofPasadena.net, and can also be seen on KPAS during the Pasadena City Council meetings. Residents, visitors and businesses can also report water waste by calling the Pasadena Citizen Service Center at (626) 744-7311, reporting online at http://cityofpasadena.net/CSC or using the City's free app for smart phones and tablets. Links for all devices are available at http://www.cityofpasadena.net/CSC/Mobile-App/. To view a complete list of water restrictions or to learn how the water conservation goals are established, visit http://www.cityofpasadena.net/waterandpower/SaveWater/

3. Letter from Mic Hansen, Chair of the Planning Commission:

Attached from Mark Jomsky, City Clerk is a letter sent from Mic Hansen, Planning Commission Chair, to the City Council on behalf of the Commission regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Arroyo Seco Music and Arts Festival. Should you have any questions, please contact Mark at (626) 744-4709.

4. Legal Advertising and Public Notices:

The attached from Mark Jomsky, City Clerk is this week's submission of upcoming legal advertising and public notices set for publication. Furthermore, the webpage (to be known as the "Online Public Bulletin Board") is in the final stages of preparation to go live, which will occur in the next 7 to 10 days. This will be an additional method of publicizing legal and public notices generated by the City. If you require additional detailed information on these legal advertising and public notices, please contact Mark at (626) 744-4709.

Respectfully Submitted,

JULIE A. GUTIERREZ
Assistant City Manager

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February 16, 2016

Honorable Mayor Terry Tornek
Honorable Council Members
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Ave., Room 235
Pasadena, CA 91105

RE: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) FOR THE ARROYO SECO MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL

Dear Mayor Tornek and Council Members:

I write in my capacity as Chair of the Planning Commission on behalf of my fellow Planning Commissioners. The Planning Commission appreciated the opportunity to review and discuss the Draft EIR for the Arroyo Seco Music and Arts Festival at its February 10, 2016 meeting. The Commission provided the following comments and recommendations regarding the DEIR, and approved four motions expressing the Commission's recommendations regarding the City's review of the proposed Arroyo Seco Music and Arts Festival (Project):

- The City should disclose to the public the proposed License Agreement with AEG at least 45 days prior to the final City Council vote on the Project.
- The City should disclose to the public any proposed Statement of Overriding Considerations (SOC) at least 45 days before a final City Council vote on the Project, including economic impact studies supporting the SOC.
- The City Council should create an Environmental Impacts Stakeholders Committee (Committee). The Committee would be advisory to the Council and include representatives from AEG, the RBOC, and adjacent neighborhood organizations, and would be responsible for:
    a. Developing the proposed Transportation Report Card;
    b. Drafting a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding impacts and mitigations for the Project, similar to the MOU created for the Rose Bowl renovation project;
    c. Monitoring the implementation of proposed Project mitigation measures; evaluating the efficacy of these measures following the first annual festival; and if necessary, recommending additional mitigation measures for future festivals.
- The Planning Commission be able to review the Project EIR after City Staff has responded in writing to public comments on the DEIR. This would enable the Commission to make advisory comments on the Final EIR and advisory findings as to whether the Project is consistent with the General Plan and other applicable land use plans. The Commission asks the removal of all references to the NFL from the EIR and from the Arroyo Seco Public Lands Ordinance.

The Planning Commission appreciates your consideration of these items, and will be pleased to respond to questions or further discussion regarding these recommendations.

Respectfully,

Mic Hansen
Chair
City of Pasadena Planning Commission

Notice of Public Hearing

Planning Commission

Notice of Public Hearing to Amend the Neighborhood District Overlay Zone (ND)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is a Zoning Code Amendment that would revise the development standards for new construction, additions, and alterations to single-family dwellings within the Lower Hastings Ranch neighborhood. The Neighborhood District Overlay Zone was adopted in 1991 as Section 17.28.090 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to create special development standards for single-family houses in the Lower Hastings Ranch neighborhood. In 2011, an amendment to the standards was approved by the City Council in an effort to promote greater consistency between new construction and existing houses. The proposed project continues these efforts to require development that is compatible with the existing single-family neighborhood.

PROJECT LOCATION: All properties zoned RS-6 ND.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: An initial environmental study prepared for the project in 2011 determined that there would be less than significant impacts on the environment, and a Negative Declaration was prepared. As part of the current Zoning Code Amendment, an addendum to the Negative Declaration has been prepared in compliance with Section 15164 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. The addendum prepared for the proposed Zoning Code revisions concluded that there has been no change to the project or substantial changes in circumstances or new information that would warrant subsequent environmental analysis in accordance with CEQA. The Planning Commission will review the addendum to the Negative Declaration at the hearing and forward a recommendation to the City Council.

APPROVALS NEEDED: The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing and consider the proposed amendments and Addendum to the Negative Declaration on March 9, 2016. The Planning Commission will forward its recommendation to the City Council. The City Council will make a final decision on the proposed amendments at a separately-noticed public hearing.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive input from the public and provide comments on proposed revisions to Section 17.28.090 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, pertaining to the Neighborhood District Overlay Zone.

Date: Wednesday, March 9, 2016
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: City Hall
Council Chamber, Room S249
100 North Garfield Avenue

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Any interested party or their representative may appear at the meeting and comment on the project. Written comments should be sent to Martin Potter, Associate Planner, at the address listed below. If you wish to challenge this matter in court you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or written correspondence delivered to the hearing body, at or prior to the public hearing.

For more information about the project and the related environmental documentation or to schedule an appointment:

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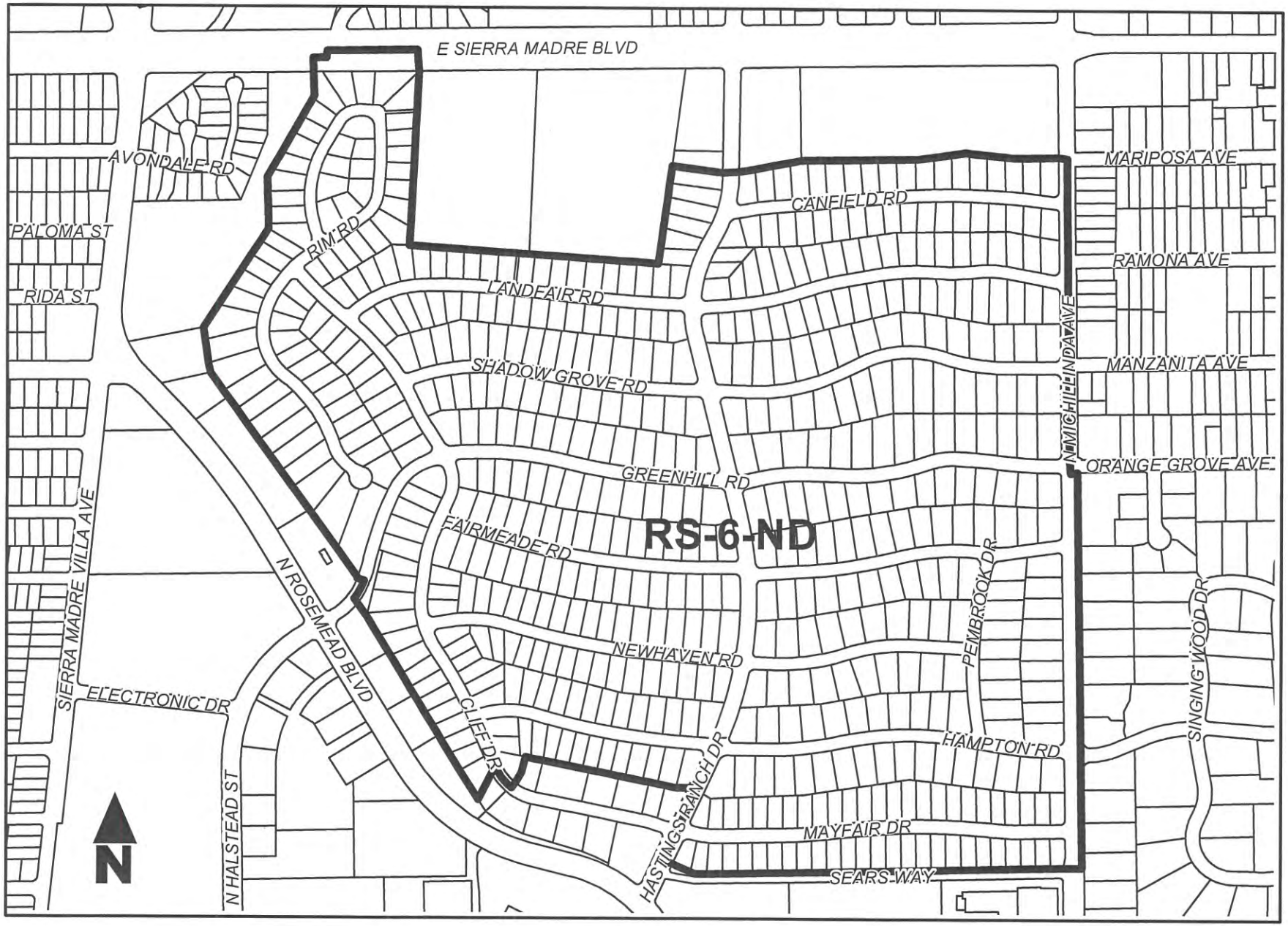
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