



# Notice of Public Hearing

## City Council

### Notice of Public Hearing of an Ordinance to Modify Regulations Pertaining to Research and Development (R&D) Land Uses

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Planning and Community Development Department is bringing forward a Zoning Code Amendment to amend Title 17 (the Zoning Code) of the Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) to revise the land use definitions for Research and Development (R&D) land uses (also known as Life Science uses), for non-office and office, modify development standards specific to the R&D land use, and allow R&D land uses with a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) in Public-Semi Public (PS) zones and as a permitted use in certain non-residential and mixed-use zones.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Properties within PS zones and certain non-residential and mixed-use zones.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The City Council will be asked to consider whether this project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Public Resources Code §21080(b)(9); Administrative Code, Title 14, Chapter 3, 15305 (Class 5 – Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations).

**PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** On October 25, 2023, the Planning Commission considered the proposed Zoning Code Amendment at a publicly noticed hearing and recommended that the City Council approve the environmental determination and Zoning Code Amendment as presented by staff, with the following amendments:

1. Clarify that the R&D use should not include the distribution of products and clarify examples of the types of activities involved in the use, and
2. Expand the use beyond scientific research and development to include other forms of research.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City Council will conduct a public hearing and consider the proposed Zoning Code Amendment and proposed environmental determination. The hearing is scheduled for:

**Date:** Monday, December 4, 2023

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**Place:** Council Chambers, 100 North Garfield Avenue, Pasadena CA Please refer to the City Council agenda for instructions to view a live stream of the meeting. The meeting agenda will be posted at:

[http://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/councilagendas/council\\_agenda.asp](http://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/councilagendas/council_agenda.asp)

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