

## CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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## Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

**TO:** Agencies, Organizations and Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the

Alamitos Avenue "Complete Streets" Improvements Project (SCH#

2017011072).

As the Lead Agency overseeing this project's environmental review, the City of Long Beach initiated the preparation of an EIR to determine the nature and extent of the proposed project's impact upon the environment. An EIR also identifies ways to reduce environmental effects and analyzes reasonable alternatives to avoid or minimize significant environmental effects.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15087(a), this Notice has been prepared to advise that the City of Long Beach has completed a Draft EIR for the proposed project listed above and described below. The Draft EIR is available for public review.

PROJECT TITLE: Alamitos Avenue "Complete Streets" Improvements Project

**PROJECT SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach, 333 West Ocean Boulevard 5th Floor, Long Beach, California, 90802

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The project site encompasses the stretch of Alamitos Avenue between 7th Street and Ocean Boulevard in the City of Long Beach, California.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project involves a modification to Alamitos Avenue between 7th Street and Ocean Boulevard to a two-lane divided roadway with onstreet bike lanes that would match the roadway section north of 7th Street. North of 7th Street, Alamitos Avenue has been restriped to provide a two-lane, divided roadway, separated by a two-way left-turn, with on-street parking and on-street bike lanes, as well as a buffer to separate bicycle traffic from vehicular traffic. Currently, most of the project site provides two-lanes in each direction separated by a two-way left-turn lane; south of 3rd Street, only one southbound through lane is provided to just past Broadway. Before restriping activities, the project would remove and recycle existing asphalt within the project site and resurface the roadway. The project site is approximately 3,400 feet of road length and 4.7 acres.

**SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OF THE PROJECT**: The Draft EIR has determined that the proposed project would have potentially significant and unavoidable traffic impacts.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The public comment period during which the City of Long Beach will receive written comments on the Draft EIR is:

Beginning: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 Ending: Monday, June 5, 2017

The City of Long Beach must receive all written comments relating to the Draft EIR no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 5, 2017. Comments should be sent to:

Christopher Koontz Planning Bureau, Development Services Department City of Long Beach 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Or via phone at: (562) 570-6288

Or via email to: Christopher.Koontz@longbeach.gov

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Draft EIR is available for public review online and at the locations listed below during regular business hours:

http://www.lbds.info/planning/environmental\_planning/environmental\_reports.asp Long Beach Main Library, 101 Pacific Avenue Long Beach City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

If you require additional information, please contact Christopher Koontz at (562) 570-6288 or at Christopher.Koontz@longbeach.gov