NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE I STREET BRIDGE DECK CONVERSION FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

(Pursuant to CEQA Section 21092 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15072)

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the City of West Sacramento has prepared an Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the I Street Bridge Deck Conversion for Active Transportation (the proposed project). Based on the results of the Initial Study, the City of West Sacramento determined that construction and operation of proposed project would not have significant impacts on the environment. All potentially significant impacts identified in the Initial Study would be reduced to less than significant levels with implementation of the identified appropriate mitigation measures.

Project Description: The I Street Bridge Deck Conversion for Active Transportation Project would maintain and improve active transportation use on the upper deck of the existing I Street Bridge. As a part of the separate I Street Bridge Replacement Project, the existing roadway approach ramps to the I Street Bridge from I Street and Jibboom Street in Sacramento and from C Street in West Sacramento would be removed. The proposed project would retain a portion of each approach ramp structure on each end of the existing I Street Bridge to accommodate access points for pedestrians and bicyclists. The retained portions would be used as raised platforms to which ADA-compliant pedestrian ramps would be attached. These platforms already span over the active railroad tracks. Four ADA-compliant bicycle/pedestrian ramps would be constructed, two in West Sacramento and two in Sacramento. In West Sacramento, one ramp would be constructed north of the existing I Street Bridge, and the other to south of the existing bridge. In Sacramento, one ramp would be constructed north of the existing bridge, the other would be to the south and would be designed to accommodate maintenance vehicles to allow Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) to access the bridge for their routine maintenance activities and to provide City maintenance or emergency vehicle access, when required. The new ramps would provide user connectivity to existing pathways and travel routes for bicyclists and pedestrians (commuting and recreational use). One ramp in Sacramento would be designed to accommodate maintenance vehicles to allow Union Pacific Railroad to access the bridge for their routine maintenance activities. Stairways may be incorporated into one ramp on each side.

Public Comment Period: October 11, 2022, to November 10, 2022.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of West Sacramento intends to adopt a CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project on **December 7, 2022**, at its regular City Council meeting, in accordance with the CEQA Guidelines.

The public, all interested agencies, and stakeholders are invited to review the IS/MND and submit written comments, pursuant to CEQA. The IS/MND may be accessed through the City of West Sacramento's website:

https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/departments/communitydevelopment/transportation-and-mobility/i-street-bridge-deck-conversion

Written comments are due by 5 PM on November 10, 2022, and may be sent via USPS mail to: City of West Sacramento

Community Development Department Attn: Jason McCoy 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California 95691

Or via email to: mccoyj@cityofwestsacramento.org *Please reference* I Street Bridge Deck Conversion *comments in the subject line*.