

# CITY OF PASADENA

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

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**PROJECT TITLE:** Holly Street Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project  
**APPLICANT NAME:** City of Pasadena  
**PROJECT SITE ADDRESS:** Holly Street Bridge over Arroyo Seco Flood Control Channel (southeast of Linda Vista Avenue)  
**ZONING DISTRICT:** ROW, OS-Open Space, RM-Multi-Family Residential, and RS-Single-Family Residential  
**GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION:** Low Density Residential, Medium Density Residential, Open Space

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of Pasadena, in coordination with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), proposes to rehabilitate and seismically retrofit the existing two-lane Holly Street Bridge (No. 53C1041) over the Arroyo Seco Channel, the Arroyo Seco Trail (a Class 1 multi-use trail), and North Arroyo Boulevard. The seismic retrofit would occur on the Holly Street Bridge southeast of Linda Vista Avenue, and entirely within the City of Pasadena, Los Angeles County, California. The existing bridge was constructed in 1925 and is 45.3-feet wide by 400.0-feet long. The bridge is a concrete arch-deck span constructed from cast-in-place concrete. According to the Caltrans Bridge Inspection Report (BIR), the bridge currently (July 2016) holds a sufficiency rating of 39.4 and is classified as Structurally Deficient.

The proposed Project would provide needed rehabilitation and a seismic retrofit to the existing bridge. Bridge retrofit and rehabilitation would include a deck and barrier replacement, luminaire replacement, archway stiffening, joint strengthening, column strengthening, pier cap strengthening, retrofit foundation hold-downs, concrete spall repair, crack sealing, and a bonded grout treatment. Construction is estimated to last for approximately 18 months, and the Holly Street Bridge would be closed to vehicle and pedestrian traffic for approximately 9 months. The City plans to offer a detour route using Linda Vista Avenue, San Rafael Avenue, Colorado Boulevard, and Orange Grove Boulevard.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** An Initial Study was prepared and concluded that the Proposed Project could have a significant effect on the environment; however, with inclusion of mitigation measures, these potential impacts would be reduced to a less than significant level. Therefore, the City has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** The project site is not listed on any hazardous materials or waste databases pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** Comments on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration may be received in writing between July 17, 2019 and August 15, 2019. Written comments should be sent to James Tong, Senior Civil Engineer, 100 North Garfield Avenue, N306, Pasadena, CA 91101 or to JTong@cityofpasadena.net. If you wish to challenge this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised through the public comment period described above. The Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration may be viewed on the City's environmental notices webpage at ww5.cityofpasadena.net/planning/category/environmental-notices/. The documents are also available during regular business hours at the City of Pasadena Public Works Division, 100 North Garfield Avenue, N306, Pasadena, CA 91101, and at the Pasadena Central Library, 285 E. Walnut Avenue, Pasadena CA 91101.

**PUBLIC WORKSHOP:** During the public review period, the City will be hosting a Public Workshop to provide additional information and answer any questions on the project in general, or regarding the findings and conclusion provided in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Public Workshop will be held on July 31, 2019 from 5:30pm to 7pm at the La Casita del Arroyo – 177 South Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91103).

**APPROVALS NEEDED:** The Pasadena City Council will consider the proposed project and any public comments received during the public review period and make a decision if the City should adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and advance to the Final Design phase. This decision is expected to occur at a regularly scheduled City Council Public Hearing in the Fall of 2019. City Council Hearings are held in the Pasadena City Hall Council Chamber – S249 (100 North Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101).

For additional information contact: James Tong, Senior Civil Engineer, (626) 744-3971.