NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY DRAFT FOCUSED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

DATE: February 18, 2022

PROJECT TITLE: Tapestry III (T-6195)

OVERVIEW: The City of Fresno (City) is the Lead Agency on the below-described Tapestry III Project and has prepared a Draft Focused Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Notice is hereby given that the City is seeking written comments on the DEIR in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15085 and 15087(c), which requires public notification of availability of a Draft EIR. The DEIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2021060089) is available for review and comment as described below.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Tapestry III Project is located on ±17.58 acres on the west side of North Thiele Avenue, north of West Spruce Avenue within the city limits of Fresno, CA The immediate area to the north lies the San Joaquin River. Development further east includes the Riverside Golf Course, further west includes the Union Pacific Railroad, future California High Speed Rail, and State Route 99, and further south includes single-family residences

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Tapestry III Project will consist of the construction of 89 single-family residential units through Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6195 and installation of a trail system that will connect to the City's existing trail network in the area. The applicant is proposing to change the current planned land use from Open Space, Regional Park (±14.0 acres), Open Space, Multi-Use (±1.30 acres), and Public Facility, PG&E Substation (±2.28 acres) to Medium Density Residential (±17.58 acres) and rezone to RS-5/BL (*Single-Family Residential, Medium Density/Bluff Protection Overlay District*) zoning to match the proposed land use designation.

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: CEQA Guidelines Section 15087(c)(4) requires that the Notice of Availability list the significant effects anticipated as a result of the Project. The DEIR identified significant and unavoidable impacts in the following areas: **Transportation** – Transportation effects would result in increases above the established thresholds.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: February 18, 2022 through April 4, 2022. Due to potential closures of public facilities in response to COVID-19, the DEIR will be available for viewing through online links to the documents as well as additional viewing methods at City Hall.

ADDRESS WHERE COPY OF DEIR AND ALL REFERENCED DOCUMENTS WITHIN ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW: City of Fresno, 2600 Fresno Street, Fresno, CA 93721. Please contact Rob Holt, Planner III, at (559) 621-8056 or Robert.Holt@fresno.gov for information on obtaining a copy of the DEIR.

WEBSITE WHERE DRAFT EIR CAN BE FOUND FOR REVIEW:

https://www.fresno.gov/darm/planning-development/plans-projects-under-review/

Written comments concerning the DEIR are due by 5:00 p.m., April 4, 2022 and should be submitted to:

City of Fresno

Rob Holt, Planner III 2600 Fresno Street, Room 3043 Fresno, CA 93721

Or via email to Robert.Holt@fresno.gov

PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS: CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 describes the public review procedures for a DEIR. The DEIR will be subject to public review and comment for a period of at least 45 days. The City of Fresno requests that reviewers submit comments on the DEIR consistent with the provisions of CEQA Guidelines Section 15087.

Following the public review period, the DEIR; Final EIR; Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and Responses to Comments will then be submitted to the Planning Commission at a public hearing for review and recommendation to the City Council, who has final authority to certify the Final EIR. The public hearing will be duly noticed in accordance with CEQA requirements and City noticing procedures. For additional information, please contact Rob Holt at (559) 621-8056 or Robert.Holt@fresno.gov.