NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 700 BLOCK OF K STREET PROJECT

The City of Sacramento and the Redevelopment Agency of the City are co-lead agencies for this project. The project site is composed of 11 parcels on the Southeast corner of 7th Street and K Street, which make up the entire half-block between K Street and the K/L alley. The site is currently built out. The ground floors of the buildings were previously developed with retail and restaurant establishments, with some residential and office uses on the upper levels. Two of the buildings are registered historic structures. The 700 Block of K Street represents the original historic fabric of K Street and; therefore, it is the City’s desire to keep the block face intact to maintain the pedestrian scale and authentic storefronts.

COMMENT PERIOD:  Wednesday, February 16, 2011 through Monday, April 4, 2011
(Comment Period Ends at 4:00 pm when the public counter closes.)

The City of Sacramento, Community Development Department completed the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 700 Block of K Street project. The document is now available for public review and comment. You may obtain a CD of the document at the City of Sacramento, 300 Richards Boulevard, Third Floor, Sacramento, California between 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (except holidays and the first Friday of every month). The document is also available electronically at the Central City library and on the City’s website at http://www.cityofsacramento.org/dsd.

The project proposes redevelopment of the existing structures along K Street (the north half of the block), rehabilitation of the historic facades, and keeping ground-floor retail, but conversion of the upper floors to residential/office uses. The south half of the block is proposed for demolition and construction of an approximately five-story apartment building over a two-story parking garage.

The proposed mixed-use project would include approximately 153 dwelling units, 63,780 square feet of commercial area, and a 91-space parking garage for the residents.

An EIR focused on the potential impacts to cultural resources was prepared. The remaining issue areas of air quality, biological resources, geology, hydrology and water quality, hazards, noise and vibration, public services, parks, transportation and circulation, public utilities, and urban design and visual resources are addressed in the Initial Study. Although most potential impacts were determined to be less than significant, significant and unavoidable impacts would result to cultural resources (for changes in the significance of historic resources (the K/L “Greyhound Alley” district within the project boundary).

Written comments regarding the Draft EIR should be received by the Environmental Planning Services NO LATER THAN 4:00 pm., Monday April 4, 2011. Written comments should be submitted to:

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