

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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**DATE:** August 16, 2011  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** City Council Chambers  
350 Main Street  
El Segundo, CA

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TAKE NOTICE that the City of El Segundo (City) has: 1) prepared a Pool Alternatives Study regarding site selection and feasibility of a new aquatics facility and, 2) prepared the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed El Segundo Aquatics Site Feasibility Alternatives Project. The El Segundo City Council will hold a public hearing at the time and place indicated above on the following:

### **Environmental Assessment No. 836- Aquatics Facility Site Feasibility Study**

**Addresses:** 301 Maryland Street  
530 East Imperial Avenue  
219 West Mariposa Avenue

**Applicant:** City of El Segundo

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

A Draft EIR is an informational document that evaluates a proposed project's potential to result in significant impacts on the environment, while also identifying ways to reduce or avoid environmental impacts through mitigation measures and identifying and evaluating alternatives to the project. The City of El Segundo, as lead agency, originally noticed the availability of the El Segundo Aquatics Site Feasibility Alternative Project draft EIR (SCH # 2010071005) on April 28, 2011 pursuant to the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA *Guidelines*. This notice is intended to inform interested parties that the City Council will hold a hearing regarding the Draft EIR. The first purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to take public testimony on the Draft EIR and to consider taking appropriate actions regarding the Draft EIR.

### **PROJECT LOCATION**

The three sites under evaluation are all within the City of El Segundo, County of Los Angeles. Their locations are:

- Hilltop Park, a City-owned property at 301 Maryland Street, northwest of the intersection of East Grand Avenue and Maryland Street (“Hilltop Park Site”);
- An El Segundo Unified School District (ESUSD)-owned site located at 530 East Imperial Avenue between McCarthy Court and Sheldon Street (“Imperial Site”); and
- The current Urho Saari Swim Stadium facility located at 219 West Mariposa Avenue north of the intersection of Concord Street and West Mariposa Avenue (“Urho Saari Site”).

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The proposed project consists either of constructing a new aquatics facility at the Hilltop site or Imperial site or, alternatively, renovating and expanding the existing facility at the Urho Saari site (aka "The Plunge"). Two of these sites (Hilltop Park and Imperial) are being analyzed for two alternative options each, and the third site (Urho Saari) is being analyzed for one alternative option for a total of five (5) alternatives analyzed in the Draft EIR. A description of each project alternative is described below:

### Alternative Site #1: Hilltop Park Site

*Option 1:* This option involves constructing a 40-meter long, 25-yard wide competition swimming pool and associated amenities and supporting facilities.

*Option 2:* This option includes constructing all the elements listed in Option 1 and, additionally, a leisure/recreational pool for therapeutic uses and water play with associated amenities and supporting facilities.

### Alternative Site #2: Imperial Site

*Option 1:* Similar to Option 1 at the Hilltop Park Site, this option is construction of a 40-meter long, 25-yard wide competition swimming pool and the associated amenities and support facilities.

*Option 2:* This option includes construction of all the elements listed in Option 1, with the addition of a leisure/recreational pool for therapeutic uses and water play with associated amenities and supporting facilities.

### Alternative Site #3: Urho Saari Site

The Urho Saari option involves renovation and expansion of the existing aquatics facility at the Urho Saari Swim Stadium, also known as “The Plunge.” Expansion includes construction of a new 40-meter long, 25-yard wide outdoor competition pool with associated amenities and supporting facilities. Two new surface parking lots would be constructed on either side (east and west) of the existing Urho Saari structure.

## **DESIGNATION OF CULTURAL RESOURCE**

At its July 14, 2011 public hearing the City of El Segundo Planning Commission recommended that the City Council not designate the unused reservoir structure located within Hilltop Park at 301 Maryland Street a local cultural resource. The second purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to consider not designating the reservoir structure a local cultural resource and declare this action by resolution.

## **PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD**

The City made the Draft EIR available for public review and comment pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b). The 45-day public review period for the Draft EIR occurred between April 28, 2011 and June 13, 2011.

## **ANTICIPATED SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Based on the analysis in the Draft EIR, following the incorporation of mitigation measures, the project would have a significant and unavoidable impact relative to cultural resources and noise.

The Planning Commission recommended that the City Council approve the proposed Environmental Assessment at the July 14, 2011 meeting.

### **EIR DOCUMENT AND FILE FOR EA-836**

The Draft EIR and related files for EA-836 are available for public review during regular business hours at the City of El Segundo - Planning and Building Safety Department, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245

Additionally a copy of the Draft EIR may be viewed at the El Segundo Public Library, 111 West Mariposa Ave. and on the City's website at: <http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/planningsafety/planning>.

If you have any further questions regarding the proposed project and/or the availability of related environmental documents or applications, please contact Masa Alkire, AICP, Principal Planner, (310) 524-2371 or by email at [malkire@elsegundo.org](mailto:malkire@elsegundo.org).

### **POOL ALTERNATIVES STUDY**

The third purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to receive and file the completed Pool Alternatives Study.

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