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Notice of Intent to Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration

Project: Construction of a Battery Energy Storage System on an 11-acre vacant lot and a Transmission Line to PG&E Martin Substation

Project Location: 2150 Geneva Avenue (APN 005-050-020)

Request: General Plan Amendment GP-11-22-015959, Zone Change ZC-11-22-015960, Use Permit UPR-11-22-015962 & Design Review DR-11-22-015961

Project Description: The project applicant proposes to construct an approximately 6.9-acre, 250-megawatt Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on an 11-acre vacant lot and an underground 115 kilovolt (kV), 1.2 mile long, transmission line to the PG&E Martin Substation. The BESS will be composed of lithium-ion batteries installed in racks, inverters, medium-voltage (MV) transformers, switchgear, a collector substation, and other associated equipment to interconnect into the Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) Martin Substation (point of interconnection). The batteries will be installed in purpose-built enclosures which will include storage racks, with relay and communications systems for automated monitoring and managing of the batteries to ensure design performance. The project includes a General Plan Amendment from Commercial Retail and Office (C-RO) to Industrial (I), a Zone Change from Light Commercial (C1) to Heavy Commercial (C2), a Use Permit and Design Review permit.

CEQA Determination: The City of Daly City, as the Lead Agency, has prepared an Initial Study for the project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations §15000 et. seq.) and the regulations and policies of the City of Daly City, California. Following the conclusion of the public review period outlined below, the City of Daly City will consider the adoption of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the project at a regularly scheduled meeting. The City shall consider the IS/MND together with any comments received during the public review process. Upon adoption of the MND, the City may proceed with project approval actions.

Cortese List Designation: The proposed project site is not on a list of hazardous material sites compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5 (Cortese List).

Public Comment Period: A detailed Environmental Checklist form (Initial Study), location map, and project discussion are contained in materials that can be commented on for 30 days between November 1, 2024 and November 30, 2024. These materials can be obtained from the Daly City Planning Division and the Daly City City Clerk's Office: 333 90th Street, Daly City, California 94015.

Persons desiring to comment on the IS/MND may do so prior to 5:00 P.M. on December 2, 2024, by written correspondence to:

Sam C. Fielding, Associate Planner City of Daly City – Planning Division 333 90th Street, Second Floor Daly City, CA 94015

The Planning Commission is scheduled to consider this project on December 3, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 333 90th Street, Daly City. Final consideration of the IS/MND Declaration will occur by the City Council, tentatively scheduled for December 9, 2024. Questions concerning the Initial Study or project in general may be directed to Sam C. Fielding at (650) 991-8156 or sfielding@dalycity.org.

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Director of Economic & Community Development

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