COMBINED NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND RELEASE OF A RESPONSE TO COMMENTS/ FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON CERTIFICATION OF THE EIR, AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY EXPANSION PROJECT

TO:

All Interested Parties

PROJECT NAME:

Mountain View Cemetery Expansion Project

PROJECT LOCATION:

5000 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland; APN 048A700200302

PROJECT SPONSOR:

Mountain View Cemetery Association

CASE FILE NO:

ER15001;

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Mountain View Cemetery occupies a site of approximately 223 acres located primarily within the City of Oakland, surrounded by the Claremont Country Club and St. Mary Cemetery on the north, the City of Piedmont on the south, and Oakland residential neighborhoods to the east and west. The Project site consists of approximately 7.5 acres of currently undeveloped land within the upper hillside portion of the

Cemetery.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project site includes development plans at three separate but interrelated development plots on the Cemetery property, all of which are entirely within the City of Oakland. The three new development sites will be connected to each other and to the existing portions of the Cemetery by extensions of on-site roadways. The intent of the Project is to develop new burial sites that are gently pitched to the southwest, offering panoramic views of the San Francisco Bay and skyline. Individual plot sales and development are to be implemented in phases for operational and economic purposes. Activities at the new burial sites will be the same as the majority of the Cemetery, primarily a pastoral and scenic area with occasional burial services and visitors. With a design capacity of approximately 6,300 individual plots among the three development sites, the Project would provide Mountain View Cemetery with an estimated 15 years of additional operational capacity.

The Project Applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit and Regular Design Review approval. Modification to the City's standard conditions of approval to accommodate build-out of the Project over a 15-year period is requested as part of the Conditional Use Permit. The Project will also need an approved Creek Permit and a Tree Permit prior to construction.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: Preparation of the Response to Comments/ Final EIR has been overseen by the City's Environmental Review Officer, and the conclusions and recommendations in the document represent the independent conclusions and recommendations of the City. Starting after 12 pm on Friday, October 27, 2017, copies of the Responses to Comments/Final EIR will be available for review or distribution to interested parties at no charge, at the City of Oakland Bureau of Planning, 250 Frank H.

Ogawa Plaza, Suite 2214, Oakland, CA 94612, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Responses to Comments/ Final EIR may also be reviewed at the following website:

http://www2.oaklandnet.com/government/o/PBN/OurServices/Application/DOWD009157

This is Item forty-three (43).

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON FEIR:

The Oakland City Planning Commission a will conduct a public hearing on **November 15**, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, to consider certification of the Final EIR and project approvals

Copies of the Draft EIR were available for review at the City of Oakland Bureau of Planning, Planning and Zoning Division, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 2214, Oakland, California and on the City's website at:

http://www2.oaklandnet.com/government/o/PBN/OurServices/Application/DOWD009157

The Draft EIR is also under item number forty-three (43). Copies of the Draft SEIR were also distributed to interested parties.

If you challenge the environmental document or other actions pertaining to the Project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearings described above, in written correspondence received by the Bureau of Planning, Planning and Zoning Division on or prior to 4:00 p.m. on November 15, 2017.

For further information, please contact Catherine Payne at (510) 238-6168 or cpayne@oaklandnet.com.

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Date of Notice: October 27, 2017

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