

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND)

Lead Agency: City of Lompoc

Street Address: 100 Civic Center Plaza

City/State/Zip Lompoc, California 93436

Contact: <u>Greg Stones, Principal Planner</u>

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** the City of Lompoc intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the following project. The MND has been distributed pursuant to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

City Project Number: CCU 22-02, ER 23-01

**Project Location**: 1601 West Central Avenue, in the City of Lompoc, County of Santa Barbara. (APN - 093-040-036)

**Project Description**: The Babylon Gardens, LLC. Proposes to complete improvements and reengineering to portions of two of the existing industrial buildings for an indoor cannabis cultivation and processing facility. Previously, the three existing buildings were used as a Tire and Auto Repair shop called Rolling Tire and Auto Repair. Currently the structures are vacant. The cannabis cultivation facility would occur within all of building A and portions of building B and would total approximately 20,370 square feet. The growing facility would typically operate from 6:30am to 4:30pm Monday through Saturday and would require approximately 19 employees.

Building A (7,000 square feet) would be dedicated to flowering plant cultivation. Building B (total of 13,370 square feet) would be used for cultivating mother/clone plants and flowering plants (9,000 sq.ft.) and used for water tank storage, freeze rooms, a cannabis trimming and dying area, and general office uses such as offices, breakroom, restrooms (4,370 square feet). The facility would only sell cannabis products to State licensed facilities on a wholesale basis and there would be no retail sales on-site. As such, the proposed facility would not be open to the public and visitors would be permitted only with a specific business purpose.

Project Issues: Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hydrology/Water Quality

Public Hearing Date: Not Applicable

Public Review Period: begins September 6, 2023, and ends October 6, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

**Document Availability:** Copies of the MND are available at the City of Lompoc Planning Division office, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA 93436 by appointment, at the Lompoc Public Library, 501 East North Avenue, Lompoc during regular library hours, and on the City website at <a href="https://www.cityoflompoc.com/government/departments/economic-community-development/planning-division/environmental-documents/open-for-public-review">https://www.cityoflompoc.com/government/departments/economic-community-development/planning-division/environmental-documents/open-for-public-review</a>

Any interested person may submit written comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, and written comments should be addressed to Greg Stones, Principal Planner, Community Development Department, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA 93436.

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