

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE ENVISION STOCKTON 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE (GENERAL PLAN) AND UTILITY MASTER PLAN SUPPLEMENTS (UMPS), ADOPTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, REJECTING LAND USE ALTERNATIVES, AND ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS

On January 26, 2016, the City Council of the City of Stockton (City Council) authorized the preparation of the Envision Stockton 2040 General Plan Update (General Plan), Utility Master Plan Supplements (UMPS), and General Plan and UMPS Environmental Impact Report (EIR); and

On May 24, 2017, a Notice of Preparation (NOP) was prepared and circulated through the State of California Governor's Office of Planning and Research for a programmatic EIR for the General Plan and UMPS (State Clearing House Number 2017052062); and

On June 8, 2017, the City held a duly-noticed public scoping meeting for the Draft General Plan and UMPS programmatic EIR (Draft EIR) at the Jack Silva Conference Room at the City of Stockton Permit Center, located at 345 N El Dorado St, Stockton, California; and

On July 25, 2017, after numerous public meetings and workshops, and subsequent analysis and consideration of alternative plan ideas, the City Council identified the preferred draft General Plan land use alternative to be analyzed in the General Plan and UMPS programmatic EIR; and

On August 23, 2017, the NOP was reissued, exclusively to reflect a single map correction, which began a second 30-day review period; and

On June 26, 2018, a Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR was prepared and circulated through the State of California Governor's Office of Planning and Research, and the 45-day public review and comment period took place between June 26, 2018 and August 10, 2018; and

On June 26, 2018, a Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft EIR and notice of the public comment hearing for the Draft EIR were distributed to responsible agencies; local, State, and federal agencies; interested groups; and interested persons; and on that same day notices thereof were posted at Stockton City Hall, in a local newspaper The Record, and on the General Plan website; and

On August 2, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly-noticed review and comment meeting on the Draft EIR; and

On October 10, 2018, the City published the Final General Plan and UMPS programmatic EIR (Final EIR), which included responses to comments received on the Draft EIR; and

On October 25, 2018, and November 15, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly-noticed public hearing regarding the General Plan and UMPS EIR, Adoption of Findings of Fact, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and Draft General Plan and UMPS, and the Commission voted 6-1, Davie dissenting, to recommend that the City Council certify the EIR and approve the General Plan and UMPS; and

On December 4, 2018, the City Council held a duly-noticed public meeting to consider the Final EIR and proposed General Plan and UMPS (together, "the Project") as recommended by the Planning Commission, and the Council received testimony from City staff, City's consultants, and interested persons, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Council of the City of Stockton does hereby certify that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. and finds in regard to the Environmental Impact Report that:

1. The City Council of the City of Stockton has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR prior to approving the proposed General Plan and UMPS.

A. Changes or alterations have been incorporated into the project, including policies and actions contained in the plan and mitigation measures, which mitigate or avoid the significant effects on the environment, including as incorporated into the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program to be adopted for the project (Exhibit 2).

B. Those changes or alterations that are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency have been, or can and should be, adopted by that other agency.

C. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations identified in detail in the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations (Exhibit 1) make infeasible certain mitigation measures or the alternatives identified in the Final EIR.

D. The benefits of the proposed project outweigh the unavoidable adverse environmental effects and, thus, the adverse effects of the project are found to be acceptable as detailed in the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations (Exhibit 1).

E. The significant effects which cannot be mitigated are found to be acceptable to support approval of the Project based upon the information

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