

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE ROSELAND AREA/SEBASTOPOL ROAD SPECIFIC PLAN, ROSELAND AREA ANNEXATION AND ASSOCIATED GENERAL PLAN, DOWNTOWN STATION AREA SPECIFIC PLAN, ZONING CODE, AND BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN AMENDMENTS, AND REZONING AND PREZONING OF PARCELS WITHIN THE ROSELAND AREA/SEBASTOPOL ROAD SPECIFIC PLAN AND ROSELAND AREA ANNEXATION BOUNDARIES - FILE NUMBER ST13-003 AND ST14-001

WHEREAS, pursuant to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), the State CEQA Guidelines, and the Santa Rosa City Code, a notice of preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan, Roseland Area Annexation, associated General Plan, Downtown Station Area Specific Plan, Zoning Code, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Amendments, and Rezoning and Prezoning of parcels within the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and Roseland Area Annexation boundaries (Project) was circulated and a public scoping meeting was held on February 1, 2016, to offer interested individuals, organizations, and governmental agencies an opportunity to provide input regarding the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

WHEREAS, a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) was prepared and sent to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies; and

WHEREAS, a notice of availability of the Draft EIR was provided and the Draft EIR was made available to the public for review and comment for a period of 45 days beginning on May 20, 2016 and ending on July 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2016 the Planning Commission held a noticed public hearing regarding the Project and Draft EIR at which time all persons wishing to be heard were invited to speak or submit written comment; and

WHEREAS, written responses were prepared to all comments, oral and written, regarding the Draft EIR received during the public review period; and

WHEREAS, the Draft EIR (State Clearinghouse Number 2016012030), dated May 2016, and the Response to Comments, dated August 2016, which contains all comments and recommendations received on the Draft EIR, a list of persons, organizations and public agencies submitting comments on the Draft EIR, and responses by the City to comments received, and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, dated August 2016, comprise the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has recommended changes to the Draft Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and has independently analyzed, reviewed, and considered the Draft EIR and evaluated the comments received, and the written responses to the comments in light of those recommended changes; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2016, the Final EIR was presented to the Planning Commission in accordance with the requirements of CEQA and the Santa Rosa City Code; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found that the Final EIR adequately identifies and analyzes the environmental effects of the Project and was completed in compliance with the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA guidelines, and therefore recommended that the City Council certify the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed and analyzed the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Council has made changes to the Draft Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and has independently analyzed, reviewed, and considered the Final EIR in light of the changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa finds that the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Project, composed of the Draft EIR, the comments received and the response to comments and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, adequately identifies and analyzes the environmental effects of the Project, including changes to the Draft Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan recommended by the Planning Commission and adopted by the Council, and further finds that the Final Environmental Impact Report reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis and was completed in compliance with the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council has considered the information contained in the Final EIR and, based on the above findings and determinations, hereby certifies the Final EIR and adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program contained therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Planning and Economic Development shall be the custodian of the record of these proceedings and these materials shall be maintained in the Department of Planning and Economic Development, Room 3, Santa Rosa City Hall, 100 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa, California.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 18th day of October 2016.

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

APPROVED: _____
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Interim City Attorney