

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ADOPTING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CERTIFIED ROSELAND AREA/SEBASTOPOL ROAD SPECIFIC PLAN AND ROSELAND AREA ANNEXATION PROJECTS FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2016012030) FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION AT HEARN AVENUE AND BURBANK AVENUE

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2016, the Council adopted Resolution Number 28873 certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (2016 FEIR) 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 (State Clearinghouse No. 2016012030) in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Resources Code § 21000 et seq), the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14 § 15000 et seq.) and the City's local CEQA Guidelines (collectively, "CEQA"); and

WHEREAS, the 2016 FEIR was not challenged and is presumed to be valid pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21167.2; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic Signalization at Hearn Avenue and Burbank Avenue Project is within the boundaries of the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Project will disturb unpaved areas for traffic signal modifications, pole foundation installation and pedestrian improvements; and

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 provides that an addendum to an approved EIR is appropriate when only minor technical changes or additions are made but none of the conditions described in section 15162 has occurred; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Coordinator reviewed the 2016 FEIR and determined that there has been no substantial change in circumstances as a result of the proposed Project modifications that would cause new or more intense significant impacts that were not previously analyzed in the 2016 FEIR and there is no new information of substantial importance that identifies new or more intense significant impacts than were identified in the 2016 FEIR and therefore the use of an Addendum in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum concluded that the proposed Project would not cause new significant environmental impacts or substantial increases in the severity of significant effects beyond those previously identified as part of the City's environmental review process and none of the circumstances under CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 were triggered; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(c), the Addendum is not required to be circulated for public review but can be attached to the adopted Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan FEIR; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2023, staff provided a cultural resource report for the project to the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria and Lytton Rancheria and no requests for additional consultation was received; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum was prepared pursuant to CEQA and all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa, based on the materials and evidence presented, hereby resolves, declares, determines and orders as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Compliance with CEQA. CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 requires lead agencies to prepare an Addendum to a previously certified EIR if some changes or additions to the project are necessary, but none of the conditions requiring preparation of a subsequent EIR are present. The City Council has reviewed and considered the Addendum for the proposed Project and the certified 2016 Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan FEIR and finds that those documents taken together contain a complete and accurate reporting of the environmental impacts associated with the proposed Project. The City Council further finds that the Addendum and administrative record have been completed in compliance with CEQA and the Addendum reflects the City's independent judgment.

Section 3. Findings Regarding Environmental Impacts. Based on the substantial evidence set forth in the record, including, but not limited to, the Addendum, the City Council finds that an Addendum is the appropriate document for disclosing the minor changes and additions that are necessary to account for the proposed Project impacts. The City Council finds that based on the whole record before it, including, but not limited to, the Addendum, the 2016 FEIR, all related and supporting technical reports, and the staff report, none of the conditions identified in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 requiring the need for a Subsequent EIR because:

- a. The proposed Project does not constitute a substantial change that would require major revisions of the previously certified 2016 FEIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; and
- b. There have been no substantial changes with respect to the circumstances under which the proposed Project will be constructed that would require major revisions of the previously certified 2016 FEIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of the previously identified significant effects; and
- c. There has been no new information of substantial importance that was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the 2016 FEIR was certified that has come to light, and that shows any of the following: (i) that the proposed Project or Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan would have one or more significant effects not discussed in the certified 2016 FEIR; (ii) that significant effects previously examined would be substantially more severe than shown

in the certified 2016 FEIR; (iii) that mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects, but the applicant declined to adopt such measures; or (iv) that mitigation measures or alternatives considerably different from those analyzed previously would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but which the applicant declined to adopt.

Section 4. Approval of Addendum. The City Council hereby approves and adopts the Traffic Signalization at Hearn Avenue and Burbank Avenue Addendum to the 2016 Final Environmental Impact Report for the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and Roseland Area Annexation Projects.

Section 5. Notice of Determination. The City Council hereby directs staff to prepare, execute and file a Notice of Determination with the Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder's Office within five (5) working days of the approval of this Resolution.

Section 6. Custodian of Records and Location of Documents. The documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which this Resolution is based are located at the City of Santa Rosa, Transportation and Public Works Department, 69 Stony Circle, Front Counter, Santa Rosa, California, 95401, and are available on the City's Website <https://srcity.org/425/Plans-Studies-EIRs>. The custodian for these records is Jose Mederos, Assistant Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Exhibit A is made part of this Resolution.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 9th day of January 2024.

AYES: (6) Mayor N. Rogers, Vice Mayor Stapp, Council Members Alvarez, Fleming, MacDonald, Okrepkie

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Council Member C. Rogers

ABSTAIN/RECUSE: (0)

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

Exhibit A - Traffic Signalization at Hearn Avenue & Burbank Avenue (PID 02391) Addendum to the 2016 Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and Roseland Area Annexation EIR State Clearinghouse No. 2016012030, dated October 12, 2022