

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA
RECOMMENDING APPROVAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A GENERAL PLAN
AMENDMENT TO REVISE FIGURE 5-2 IN THE GENERAL PLAN, REMOVING A
SEGMENT OF BICYCLE ROUTE 231 - FILE NUMBER PRJ17-064

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2018, the Planning Commission conducted a hearing in consideration of a General Plan Amendment for properties located at 6450 Timber Springs Drive and 545 White Oak Drive to remove a segment of the proposed bicycle Route 231 from Figure 5-2 of the General Plan, in compliance with the court ruling in City of Santa Rosa v. Villages at Wild Oak Association, et al.; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the Planning and Economic Development Department conducted an analysis and rendered an environmental determination that the proposed General Plan Amendment would not have significant effects the environment because it would remove a proposed bicycle route from a figure in the General Plan, and therefore does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15061; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission finds that a General Plan Amendment to revise Figure 5-2 of the General Plan to eliminate a portion of proposed Route 231 is justified to achieve the objectives and policies of the General Plan in that:

- A. The proposed amendment ensures and maintains internal consistency with the goals and policies of all elements of the General Plan in that the change to the General Plan would also be reflected in the related plans, and maintain consistency between them, and proposed bicycle circulation in this area will be addressed in the update to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, which is currently underway and anticipated to be complete in late winter to early spring of 2019;
- B. The proposed amendment would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City in that no physical change to the environment would occur as the result of the removal of the proposed bicycle route from the City's infrastructure plan, and proposed bicycle circulation in this area will be addressed in the update to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, which is currently underway and anticipated to be complete in late winter to early spring of 2019;
- C. The proposed project has been reviewed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that it does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and is therefore exempt from review pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15061(b)(3).

- D. The proposed project does not identify specific sites for new development. Therefore, the finding pertaining to site suitability considerations including access, the absence of physical constraints, compatibility, and provision of utilities, is not applicable to this project.

WHEREAS, the proposed General Plan Amendment is part of the Winter 2018 package, which is one of the three General Plan amendments allotted to the City per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of the City of Santa Rosa recommends that the City Council adopt the General Plan Amendment in the form set forth in Exhibit "A" to this resolution.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Planning Commission of the City of Santa Rosa on this 12th day of April, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVED: _____
CHAIR

ATTEST: _____
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

ATTACHMENTS:
Exhibit A – General Plan Revisions

Exhibit 'A'
RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO THE GENERAL PLAN

1. General Plan, Figure 5-2: Bicycle Corridors

Replace Figure 5-2 with the following new figure:

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Figure 5-2

