City of Santa Rosa



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ROSA AND SANTA ROSA CITY SCHOOLS TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVES TO CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OR SCHOOL FACILITIES ON FIR RIDGE DRIVE, LOT "F" (APN 173-620-

030)

The City of Santa Rosa ("City") and Santa Rosa City Schools ("District"), are parties to an Agreement regarding development of the Fir Ridge site ("Site"), located in the City of Santa Rosa (APN 173-620-030). Pursuant to the original subdivision approvals, the Site is designated for development of either an elementary school or low and/or moderate-income housing. In 2016, Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") to extend the term of the Agreement to allow the District until June 30, 2020, to commence construction of affordable housing for lower income District employees on the Site or sell the Site to a third party for construction of affordable units. The MOU provides that, in the event the District fails to meet this deadline, the Agreement shall terminate and the District shall transfer title of the Site to the City to enable the City to either develop the Site with affordable housing or sell the Site and use all proceeds to finance construction of low and/or moderate-income units in the City.

In part due to the October 2017 Tubbs and Nuns Fires which significantly damaged the area surrounding the Site, the District has been unable to commence construction or identify a potential buyer for the Site and has initiated discussions with the City to discuss alternatives to developing the Site with affordable housing. These alternatives include: City and District extending the current MOU to allow the District additional time to fulfill its obligations under the MOU; District transferring title of the Site to the City for City's development or facilitating development of affordable housing; District selling the Site to a third party and using proceeds to develop low and/or moderate income housing for District employees on a different site within the City limits; or District selling the Site and using the proceeds to create a Loan Program to provide down payment assistance for District employees to purchase homes in the City.

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Attachments: 1. Staff Report, 2. Attachment 1 - Amendment Timeline, 3. Attachment 2 - Map, 4. Attachment 3 - 2016

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