

RESOLUTION NO. 677 (10)

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC RECOMMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL CERTIFY THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (FEIR 09-01) FOR THE CITY OF LOMPOC COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc has initiated a comprehensive update to the City's General Plan in conformance with Government Code Section 65300 (the "Update"), which requires a City to adopt a comprehensive General Plan and update it as needed. City staff and Rincon Consultants, Inc. have conducted workshops and meetings with members of the community and the decision makers to assure public participation in the process; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc as Lead Agency determined the Update to the General Plan is a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and issued a Notice of Preparation (NOP) to interested parties on August 11, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a Scoping Meeting was held on August 26, 2008 to receive comments from the public regarding issues to be addressed in the EIR; and

WHEREAS, a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was circulated for public review from October 12 through November 25, 2009 and comments were received from seven (7) individuals and agencies in response to the Draft EIR; and

WHEREAS, a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR 09-01) (SCH NO. 2008081032) has been prepared by Rincon Consultants, Inc. in conformance with CEQA and the Environmental Guidelines of the City of Lompoc to study the environmental impacts of the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program has been prepared pursuant to Section 15097 of the CEQA Guidelines and considered as part of the Planning Commission FEIR review for consideration by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the FEIR reflects the City of Lompoc's independent judgment and analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Project was considered by the Planning Commission at duly-noticed public hearings on June 9 and June 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting of June 9, 2010, City Engineering, Public Safety, and Planning staff and Mr. Richard Daulton of Rincon Consultants were present and answered Planning Commissioners' questions and addressed their concerns; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting of June 9, 2010 Christina McGinnis of EDC; Judy Taggart of Healthy Lompoc Coalition; Dr. Takashi Wada, Director of Santa Barbara County Public Health Department; Bess Christensen, resident; Bob Braitman, Executive Director of the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO); and Joyce Howerton, resident addressed the Planning Commission regarding the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting of June 23, 2010 City Engineering, Public Safety, and Planning staff and Mr. Richard Daulton of Rincon Consultants were present and answered Planning Commissioners' questions and addressed their concerns; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting of June 23, 2010 Joyce Howerton of the Santa Barbara County Action Network; Christina McGinnis of EDC; Bess Christensen, resident; Carol Nash, Vandenberg Village resident; Steve Orosz, partner in the Wye Expansion Area; Warren Culberson, resident; Judy Taggart of Healthy Lompoc Coalition; Dr. Takashi Wada, Director of Santa Barbara County Public Health Department; and Margaret Weiss, resident addressed the Planning Commission regarding the General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: After reviewing and considering:

- a) the Lompoc General Plan FEIR;
- b) the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations prepared for Planning Commission review;
- c) the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and

after hearing testimony, considering the evidence presented, and engaging in due deliberation of the matters presented, the Planning Commission hereby recommends the City Council, in the exercise of its independent judgment, and taking into consideration the comments and responses to comments included within the Final Environmental Impact Report:

- a) certify the Final Environmental Impact Report – FEIR 09-01 for the City of Lompoc General Plan Update is complete and in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) and CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000 et seq.) (Exhibit A); and

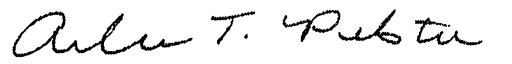
- b) adopt the proposed Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations (Exhibit B);
- c) adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Exhibit C).

The foregoing Resolution, on motion by Commissioner Hain, seconded by Commissioner Rodenhi, was adopted at the Planning Commission meeting of June 23, 2010 by the following vote:


AYES: Commissioners Hain, Free, Griffith, Rodenhi

NOES: Commissioner Gonzales

The above vote by individual Commissioners does not apply to aspects of the Environmental Impact Report to which the Commissioner may have a potential conflict of interest.



Arleen T. Pelster, AICP, Secretary



Jack Rodenhi, Chair

Attachment: Exhibit A – Final Environmental Impact Report dated December 2009
Exhibit B – CEQA Findings of Fact
Exhibit C – Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program