

Attachment 4: Environmental Impact Report Resolution

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CERTIFYING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT STATE CLEARINGHOUSE (SCH) No. 2021010130 (ENV-2020-6762-EIR) AS RELATED TO THE AMENDMENTS TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN, THE SAFETY ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN, AND THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN (“PROPOSED PROJECT”); ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21081(a), ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN, AND ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles analyzed the Proposed Project in the Environmental Impact Report (Case No. EIR-2020-6762-EIR and State Clearinghouse No. 2021010130) (“EIR”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15082, a Notice of Preparation for the Draft EIR was issued on January 13, 2021, by the City for a 30-day public review period (“Scoping Period”), with a closing date of February 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, two public scoping meetings were held during the Scoping Period on January 26, 2021 and January 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, during the Scoping Period, the City received a total of 252 written and verbal comments and letter responses to the Notice of Preparation, which are addressed throughout the Draft EIR, where relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Draft EIR was circulated for a 45-day public review and comment period, which began on July 22, 2021, with a closing date of September 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15088 of the CEQA Guidelines, written responses to all comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR received during the comment period are provided in the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) No. ENV-2020-6762-EIR and the whole of the administrative record in its determination of adopting the Proposed Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
2. CEQA Certification and Findings.
 1. Contents of FEIR. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15132, the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, at Exhibit 1, includes the Draft EIR SCH No. 2021010130 (ENV-2020-6762-EIR), dated July 22, 2021, the Draft EIR appendices, and the document titled “Final EIR” dated _____, including all its related appendices and attachments.

2. EIR Certification. The City Council certifies:
 1. The FEIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA;
 2. The FEIR was presented to the City Council and that the City Council has reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR prior to approval of the Proposed Plan, and all of the information contained therein has substantially influenced all aspects of the decision by the City Council; and
 3. The FEIR reflects the City Council's independent judgement and analysis.
- c. Mitigation Monitoring. The Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) set forth in Exhibit 2 to this resolution, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, is adopted to ensure that all mitigation measures described in the MMP are fully implemented. The City Council finds all of the mitigation measures in the MMP are feasible.
- d. CEQA Findings. The Council, in its independent judgement, based on the whole of the administrative record, adopts all of the findings in the EIR Findings set forth in Exhibit 1 to this Resolution, which are added hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. In adopting the EIR Findings, the Council ratifies, adopts, and incorporates the analysis and explanation in the FEIR, and ratifies, adopts and incorporates in these findings the determinations and conclusions in the FEIR relating to environmental impacts and mitigation measures.
- e. Statement of Overriding Considerations. The City Council adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations attached at Exhibit 3 to this Resolution, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The City Council finds that each listed Proposed Project benefit identified in the Statement of Overriding Considerations provides a separate and independent ground for its approval of the Proposed Project and overrides all of the identified significant and unavoidable impacts of the Proposed Project.
- f. Location and Custodian of Documents. The record of approval of the Proposed Project shall be kept in the office of the City Clerk, City of Los Angeles, City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012 which shall be held by the City Clerk as the custodian of the documents; all other record of proceedings shall be kept with the Department of City Planning and the Director of the Department of City Planning shall be the custodian of the documents.
- g. Notice of Determination. The Director of the Department of City Planning is directed to file a Notice of Determination as required by the Public Resources Code and CEQA Guidelines.