



Planning Commission Resolution 24-XX

County of Ventura • Resource Management Agency

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RESOLUTION 24-xx FOR PL24-0027 REGARDING COUNTY OF VENTURA INITIATED AMENDMENTS TO THE VENTURA COUNTY GENERAL PLAN ECONOMIC VITALITY ELEMENT AND ARTICLES 5 AND 7 OF THE VENTURA COUNTY NON-COASTAL ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW AND ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR THE PROCESSING OF LOCALLY GROWN FOOD IN THE AGRICULTURAL EXCLUSIVE, OPEN SPACE AND RURAL AGRICULTURAL ZONES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S SAVE OPEN-SPACE AND AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES (SOAR) ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, on April 4, 2024, the Ventura County Planning Commission (“Commission”) held a legally noticed public hearing to consider county-initiated amendment to the Economic Vitality Element of the General Plan, and an ordinance amending Articles 5 and 7 of the Ventura County Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance to allow and establish regulations for the processing of locally grown food in conformance with Section 2(1)(l)(m) of the County’s 2050 SOAR Ordinance (collectively, “Proposed Amendments”); and to consider a finding that adoption of the Proposed Amendments is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission considered all written and oral testimony from County staff and public on this matter; and

WHEREAS, after the close of the public hearing, Commissioner XXX, District XXX, made a motion to approve staff’s recommended actions, seconded by Commissioner XXX, District XXX;

WHEREAS, the motion carried X-X; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission recommends that the following actions be taken by the Board of Supervisors with respect to the proposed amendments:

1. **CERTIFY** that the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the Board letter and all exhibits thereto, the April 4, 2024 Planning Commission staff report and all exhibits thereto, and has considered all other materials and public comments received during the public comment and hearing processes;
2. **FIND** on the basis of the entire record and as set forth in Section B of the April 4, 2024 Planning Commission staff report, that adoption of the proposed amendments to the General Plan and Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance (NCZO) (Exhibits 5 and 6) is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections: (1) 15301 (Class I) because it involves the potential use of developed facilities, (2) 15303 (Class 3) for new, small facilities or structures or the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another, (3) 15304 (Class 4) because it involves the potential minor

alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation, and (4) that no unusual circumstances or other exception set forth in CEQA Guidelines 15300.2 precludes use of these categorical exemptions.

3. **FIND**, on the basis of the entire record and as set forth in Sections A, B, C, and D of the April 4, 2024 Planning Commission staff report, that the proposed amendments to the General Plan (Exhibit 6) and the NCZO (Exhibit 5) are consistent with the goals, policies, and programs of the General Plan and good planning practices, and are in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare;
4. **ADOPT** a resolution approving the proposed amendments to the General Plan (Exhibit 8);
5. **ADOPT** the proposed ordinance (Exhibit 5) amending Articles 5 and 7 of the Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance (4/5ths vote required); and
6. **SPECIFY** the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is the custodian, and 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009 is the location, of the documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which these decisions are based.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that the Planning Commission makes its above recommendation based upon, and finds that the proposed Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance amendment's relationship and consistency with the General Plan are addressed, in the Planning Commission staff report prepared for the April 4, 2024, hearing which is incorporated herein by this reference.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution reflecting the actions taken by the Commission at a public hearing regarding the above-described matter on April 4, 2024.

Dave Ward, AICP, Secretary to the
Ventura County Planning Commission