



# Planning Commission Resolution 19-02

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## **RESOLUTION 19-02 FOR PL16-0127 REGARDING PROPOSED COUNTY-INITIATED ORDINANCES AMENDING VENTURA COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND VENTURA COUNTY NON-COASTAL ZONING ORDINANCE DIVISION 8, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLES 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 AND 18, PERTAINING TO REGULATION OF PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE HABITAT CONNECTIVITY AND WILDLIFE CORRIDORS OVERLAY ZONE AND CRITICAL WILDLIFE PASSAGE AREAS OVERLAY ZONE**

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2019, the Ventura County Planning Commission held a legally noticed public hearing to consider ordinances amending the Ventura County General Plan and Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance (NCZO) Division 8, Chapter 1, Sections 8102-0 (Definitions), 8103-0 (Purpose and Establishment of Zones), 8105-4 and 8105-5 (Permitted Uses); adding Sections 8104-7.7 (Purpose of Habitat Connectivity and Wildlife Corridors Overlay Zone), 8104-7.8 (Purpose of Critical Wildlife Passage Areas Overlay Zone), 8109-4.8 (Standards for Habitat Connectivity and Wildlife Corridors Overlay Zone) and 8109-4.9 (Standards for Critical Wildlife Passage Areas Overlay Zone); and amending the Zoning Map in Section 8118-2, pertaining to regulation of development for parcels located within the Habitat Connectivity and Wildlife Corridors Overlay Zone and the Critical Wildlife Passage Areas Overlay Zone; and

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

**WHEREAS**, after the close of the public hearing, Planning Commissioner Phil White, District 1, made a motion to approve staff's recommended actions subject to staff addressing several issues and concerns prior to presenting the item to the Board of Supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, the motion carried 5-0.

**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 General Plan amendments and amendments to the NCZO:

- a. **CERTIFY** that the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the Board letter, the Planning Commission staff report and all exhibits thereto, and has considered all other materials and public comments received during the public comment and hearing process;

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- b. **FIND** on the basis of the entire record and as set forth in Sections A - F of this Planning Commission staff report that the adoption of the proposed General Plan amendments (Exhibits 8 - 11 and 13)<sup>1</sup> and the proposed ordinance (Exhibit 14) amending Articles 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9, and adoption of the proposed ordinance amending the zoning maps contained in Article 18 (Exhibit 15) of the Ventura County NCZO to add a new Habitat Connectivity and Wildlife Corridors Overlay Zone and a new Critical Wildlife Passage Areas Overlay Zone is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the project may cause a significant effect on the environment; **FIND** that because the project consists of regulations intended to benefit the environment, it is also exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308; and **FIND** that there is no reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2;
- c. **FIND** based on the substantial evidence set forth in Sections A – F of the Planning Commission staff report, the public testimony received and entire record, that the General Plan Amendment (Exhibits 8 - 11 and 13) is in the public interest, and has the potential to benefit the general welfare, and is consistent with good planning practice;
- d. **FIND** based on the substantial evidence set forth in Sections A – F of the Planning Commission staff report, the public testimony received and entire record, that the proposed ordinances amending Articles 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9, and the zoning maps contained in Article 18 of the Ventura County NCZO (Exhibit 15) are consistent with the Goals, Policies and Programs of the Ventura County General Plan and good zoning practice and is in the interest of public health, safety or general welfare;
- e. **ADOPT** the proposed General Plan amendment (Exhibits 8 - 11 and 13);
- f. **ADOPT** the proposed ordinance amending Articles 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9 of the Ventura County NCZO (Exhibit 14);
- g. **ADOPT** the proposed ordinance amending the zoning maps contained in Article 18 of the Ventura County NCZO (Exhibit 15); and
- h. **SPECIFY** the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009 as the location and custodian of the documents and

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<sup>1</sup> All exhibit references herein are to the exhibits to the Planning Division's staff report for the January 31, 2019 Planning Commission hearing regarding this matter.

materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which these decisions are based.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution reflecting the actions taken by the Ventura County Planning Commission at a public hearing regarding PL16-0127 on January 31, 2019.

  
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Kim L. Prillhart, Secretary to the  
Ventura County Planning Commission