

County of Ventura  
Board of Supervisors Hearing  
September 15, 2020  
Case No. PL17-0141

## **Exhibit 18**

### **Board of Supervisors Resolution Regarding the 2040 General Plan and Final EIR**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-106

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF VENTURA

**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 2040 GENERAL PLAN, REPEALING THE EXISTING GENERAL PLAN EXCEPT FOR PORTIONS CONSTITUTING THE 2014-2021 HOUSING ELEMENT, AND APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2040 GENERAL PLAN, 2040 GENERAL PLAN BACKGROUND REPORT, AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE 2040 GENERAL PLAN PROJECT (PLANNING DIVISION CASE NO. PL17-0141)**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Ventura (County)-initiated project identified as Planning Division Case No. PL17-0141 consists of an update to the Ventura County General Plan which includes the following documents and legislative actions (Project):

- (1) Approval and adoption of the 2040 General Plan, including the Climate Action Plan;
- (2) Approval and adoption of the 2040 General Plan Background Report;
- (3) Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and approval and adoption of related findings, statements and documentation prepared for the 2040 General Plan pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- (4) Repeal of the existing General Plan except for those portions constituting the County's 2014-2021 Housing Element;

**WHEREAS**, County staff notified all federal, state and local entities and agencies that the 2040 General Plan was available for their review and comment pursuant to Government Code Section 65352;

**WHEREAS**, County staff provided the 2040 General Plan to the California Department of Forestry, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection for review and comment pursuant to Government Code Section 65302;

**WHEREAS**, County staff updated the elements of the existing General Plan by incorporating into the 2040 General Plan cross-cutting policies and programs addressing environmental justice consistent with Government Code Section 65302 (Senate Bill 1000), and considered and incorporated certain environmental justice revisions recommended by the state Attorney General's office;

**WHEREAS**, County staff updated the elements of the existing General Plan by incorporating into the 2040 General Plan cross-cutting policies and programs addressing climate adaptation and resiliency and greenhouse gas reductions, which are also contained in the Climate Action Plan, Appendix B of the 2040 General Plan;

**WHEREAS**, County staff completed Native American tribal consultation requirements pursuant to Government Code Section 65352.3 (Senate Bill 18) and Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1 et seq. (Assembly Bill 52) with eight Native American tribes by

providing the 2040 General Plan and EIR to these tribes for review and comment, and conducted consultation engagements with two tribes, the Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians and the Fernandefio Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, at their request, and incorporated certain revisions recommended by the Fernandefio Tataviam Band of Mission Indians into the 2040 General Plan and EIR;

**WHEREAS**, on July 16, 2020, the Planning Commission held a legally noticed public hearing on the Project at which time it received, heard, and considered oral and written comment and testimony from the public and County staff, including the Planning Division staff report and exhibits thereto;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission, following the public hearing and deliberations, voted 3-1 to adopt a resolution (Exhibit 2)<sup>1</sup> recommending that the Board of Supervisors (Board) certify, adopt and approve the Project documents incorporating certain revisions as described and referenced in said resolution;

**WHEREAS**, the Board held a legally noticed public hearing and heard all public testimony provided, including 40 live video public comments, 17 email comments read at the meeting, and 1,041 email comments not read at the meeting, on the Project in Ventura, California, on September 1, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, on September 1, 2020, the Board opened the public hearing regarding the Project, and following staff presentation, public testimony and Board deliberations, the Board, by a 3-to-2 vote, approved a motion: tentatively approving the recommended actions set forth in the September 1, 2020 Board letter regarding the 2040 General Plan, EIR, and related documents (collectively, Project Documents); directing staff to revise the Project Documents as stated in the Board's said motion; and continuing the public hearing to September 15, 2020 at 3:00 pm for the Board to consider certifying, adopting and approving the Project Documents in their final form; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to this Board action and direction, staff incorporated into the Project Documents all revisions that were made or requested as part of the September 1 motion and also incorporated into the Project Documents the revisions set forth in the errata and recommended revisions to the Project Documents (Exhibits 4, 6 and 7; SR Exhibit 22) that the Board tentatively approved on September 1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board considered the Planning Commission's recommendation as well as all written and oral comment and testimony from County staff and the public on this matter.

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<sup>1</sup> All references to exhibits in this resolution are to the consecutively numbered exhibits to the Planning Division Board letters for the September 1 and 15, 2020 Board of Supervisors hearing regarding the public hearing for the Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board:

1. **CERTIFIES** that it has reviewed and considered the Planning Commission's July 16, 2020 resolution stating the Planning Commission's recommended actions regarding the Project (Exhibit 2); the September 1 and 15, 2020 Board letters and all exhibits thereto regarding the Project; and has considered all comments received during the public hearing process;
2. **CERTIFIES** that (1) the 2040 General Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (Exhibits 19.a through 19.n) has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); (2) the EIR was presented to the Board and that the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained therein and all comments and responses to comments prior to approving the project; and (3) the EIR reflects the County's independent judgment and analysis;
3. **ADOPTS** the CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations (Exhibit 20), and the Mitigation Monitoring Program (Exhibit 21) based upon substantial evidence in the record;
4. **FINDS** based on the substantial evidence in the record that adoption of the 2040 General Plan (Exhibits 22.a through 22.e) is in the interest of public health, safety or general welfare and good zoning practice;
5. **REPEALS** the existing Ventura County General Plan (i.e., version last amended March 19, 2019) including its Resources, Hazards, Land Use, and Public Facilities and Services Appendices, except for the portions of the existing General Plan constituting the County's 2014-2021 Housing Element which consists of Chapter 3.3, Policies 3.4.2-8, 3.4.2-9, and Program 3.4.3-3 of the Goals, Policies and Programs (SR Exhibit 2.6 [legislative format showing repeal of non-Housing Element content]), and Chapter 3.3 and Chapter 3.4 of the Land Use Appendix (SR Exhibit 2.7 [legislative format showing repeal of non-Housing Element content]);
6. **APPROVES** and **ADOPTS** the 2040 General Plan (Exhibit 22) and 2040 General Plan Background Report (Exhibit 23); and

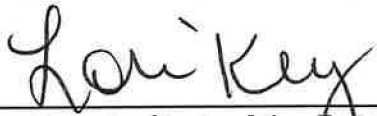
7. **SPECIFIES** the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009 as the custodian and location of the documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which these decisions are based.

On motion of Supervisor Parks, seconded by Supervisor Bennett, the Board adopted this resolution on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

  
KELLY LONG  
Chair, Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura

ATTEST:

MICHAEL POWERS,  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura, State of California.

By:   
Deputy Clerk of the Board

