

EXHIBIT 2

Planning Commission Resolution

Proposed Ordinance Establishing Setbacks from 16
Wildlife Crossing Structures in the Northern Portion of
the Ventura County Unincorporated Area

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RESOLUTION 21-~~XX~~ FOR PL19-0088 REGARDING PROPOSED COUNTY-INITIATED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VENTURA COUNTY NON-COASTAL ZONING ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SETBACKS FROM 16 WILDLIFE CROSSING STRUCTURES IN THE NORTHERN PORTION OF THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREA; AND RELATED FINDING THAT THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2022, the Ventura County Planning Commission ("Commission") held a legally noticed public hearing to consider a county-initiated ordinance amending Articles 2 and 6 of the Ventura County Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance (NCZO) to establish setbacks from 16 wildlife crossing structures in the northern portion of the Ventura County unincorporated area (Proposed Ordinance); and to consider a finding that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);

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

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

WHEREAS, the motion **carried X-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 Ordinance:

1. **CERTIFY** that the Board has reviewed and considered the Board letter and all exhibits thereto, 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 processes;
2. **FIND**, on the basis of the entire record and as set forth in Section B of the Planning Commission staff report that the adoption of the Proposed Ordinance amending Articles 2 and 6 of the Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Exhibit 4) 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 for the benefit and protection of natural resources and the environment, it is also exempt from CEQA

pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308; and **FIND** that no substantial evidence exists precluding the use of the above categorical exemptions based on the presence of unusual circumstances or any other exception set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2;

3. **FIND**, on the basis of the entire record and as set forth in Sections A, B, C and D of the Planning Commission staff report, the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit 4) is consistent with the goals, policies and programs of the Ventura County General Plan and good planning practices and is in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare;
4. **ADOPT** the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit 4) amending Articles 2 and 6 of the Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance; and
5. **SPECIFY** that 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 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission's reasons for the above-stated recommendations to the Board, and the relationship between the Proposed Ordinance and the General Plan, are specified in Sections A, B, and C of the Planning Commission staff report and exhibits thereto. As a general summary, the Proposed Ordinance would establish 200-foot setbacks from 16 road crossing structures identified as highly functional wildlife crossing structures in the northern Ventura County unincorporated area (Exhibit 10). The Planning Commission finds that the Proposed Ordinance furthers the purposes of biological resource protection, while also allowing reasonable development and enjoyment of property. The Proposed Ordinance is consistent with the General Plan and helps further various policy objectives that seek to minimize impacts to wildlife movement, facilitate wildlife passage, and preserve open space. The Proposed Ordinance also helps to reduce collisions between vehicles and wildlife by facilitating the use of wildlife crossing structures.

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 the above-described matter on November 3, 2022.

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