

RESOLUTION NO. 28187

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE NORTH SANTA ROSA STATION AREA SPECIFIC PLAN AND ASSOCIATED GENERAL PLAN, ZONING CODE, DESIGN GUIDELINES, CITYWIDE CREEK MASTER PLAN AND BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN AMENDMENTS - FILE NUMBER ST10-009

WHEREAS, pursuant to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), the State CEQA Guidelines, and the Santa Rosa City Code, a notice of preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and associated General Plan, Zoning Code, Design Guidelines, Citywide Creek Master Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Amendments (Amendments) was circulated and a public scoping meeting was held on January 4, 2012, to offer interested individuals, organizations, and governmental agencies an opportunity to provide input regarding the potential environmental effects of the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and associated Amendments; and

WHEREAS, a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was prepared and sent to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies; and

WHEREAS, a notice of availability of the DEIR was provided and the DEIR was made available to the public for review and comment for a period of 45 days beginning on April 12, 2012 and ending on May 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2012 the Planning Commission held a noticed hearing regarding the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan, associated General Plan, Zoning Code, Design Guidelines, Citywide Creek Master Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Amendments and DEIR at which time all persons wishing to be heard were invited to speak or submit written comment; and

WHEREAS, written responses were prepared to all comments, oral and written, regarding the DEIR received during the public review period; and

WHEREAS, the DEIR (State Clearinghouse Number 2011122034), dated April 2012, and the Response to Comments, dated June 2012, which contains all comments and recommendations received on the DEIR, a list of persons, organizations and public agencies submitting comments on the DEIR, and responses by the city to comments received, and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, dated June 2012, comprise the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has recommended changes to the Draft North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and has independently analyzed, reviewed, and considered the Draft EIR and evaluated the comments received, and the written responses to the comments in light of the recommended changes of the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Final EIR was presented to the Planning Commission in accordance with the requirements of CEQA and the Santa Rosa City Code; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed and analyzed the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Council has made changes to the Draft North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and has independently analyzed, reviewed, and considered the Final EIR in light of the changes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa finds that the Final Environmental Impact Report for the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and associated General Plan, Zoning Code, Design Guidelines, Citywide Creek Master Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Amendments, composed of the Draft EIR, the comments received and the response to comments and the mitigation monitoring and report program, adequately identifies and analyzes the environmental effects of the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and associated General Plan, Zoning Code, Design Guidelines, Citywide Creek Master Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Amendments, including changes recommended by the Planning Commission and further changes made by the City Council, and further finds that the Final Environmental Impact Report was completed in compliance with the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council has considered the information contained in the Final EIR and, based on the above findings and determinations, hereby certifies the Final EIR.

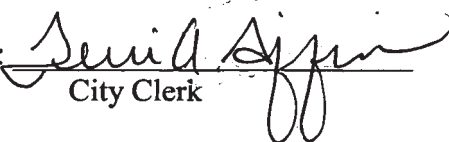
IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 18th day of September, 2012.

AYES: (6) Mayor Olivares, Vice Mayor Sawyer, Council Members Bartley, Gorin, Ours, Wysocky

NOES: (1) Council Member Vas Dupre

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: 
City Clerk

APPROVED: 
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Assistant City Attorney