

Attachment 3

PLANNING COMMISSION  
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Thursday, October 24, 2103

PRESENT: Commissioners Don Campbell, Ken Topping, Tim Murphy, Eric Meyer, Jim Irving,

ABSENT: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-018**

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADOPTION  
OF AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY GENERAL PLAN, SAFETY  
ELEMENT

WHEREAS, State Law requires that a General Plan be adopted; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Element of the San Luis Obispo County General Plan was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 22, 1980, and is a proper element of the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, public necessity, convenience and general welfare requires that the elements of a General Plan be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the County of San Luis Obispo held a public hearing on October 24, 2013, to consider the San Luis Obispo County General Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission, at the conclusion of the public hearing, recommended approval to the Board of Supervisors of the amendments to the San Luis Obispo County General Plan, Safety Element.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission recommends to the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, that the Amendments to the San Luis Obispo County General Plan, Safety Element be adopted as follows:

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1. Adopt the Amendments to the San Luis Obispo County General Plan, Safety Element and the exhibits listed below, and which is expressly referred to and incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

- a. Exhibit LRP2012-00005:A - Findings
- b. Exhibit LRP2012-00005:B - Amendments to the Safety Element of the General Plan.

On motion of Commissioner Meyer, seconded by Commissioner Topping, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Commissioners Meyer, Topping, Campbell, Murphy, Irving

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

                  /s/ Jim Irving  
Chairman of the Planning Commission

ATTEST:

                  /s/ Ramona Hedges  
Secretary, Planning Commission

## **EXHIBIT LRP2012-00005:A - FINDINGS**

### *Environmental Determination*

- A. This project is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, the activity is not subject to CEQA. [Reference: State CEQA Guidelines sec. 15061(b)(3), General Rule Exemption]

### *Amendment*

- B. The proposed amendment is consistent with the adopted elements of the general plan because the amendment incorporates by reference into the Safety Element the adopted San Luis Obispo County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, the recommended strategies of which support and are consistent with the goals and policies of the Safety Element. The proposed amendment does not involve any substantive changes to the goals, policies, programs, or maps of the Safety Element.
- C. The proposed amendment will protect the public health, safety and welfare of the area residents, as it incorporates by reference into the Safety Element the adopted San Luis Obispo County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, which includes measures to reduce the effects of the potential hazards such as fires, floods and earthquakes, and landslides.
- D. The proposed amendment will link the San Luis Obispo County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan with the Safety Element of the County General Plan in compliance with AB 2140, thereby making the County eligible for up to 100% of the state disaster fund reimbursements in those situations in which they are made available.

## ATTACHMENT 2

### Exhibit LRP 20012-00005:B Amendment to the Safety Element of the County General Plan

- I. Amend the Safety Element of the County General Plan as follows:
  - A. Revise the section titled **Goals – Policies –Implementation Measures** on page 4 of Chapter 1 by adding the second paragraph below to read as follows:

#### **Goals – Policies –Implementation Measures**

To make land use decisions that minimize the potential for loss of life, injury, and property damage from natural and human-caused hazards, it is necessary to have an understanding of the causes and potential effects of the hazards that may affect San Luis Obispo County. A description of the geologic, flooding, fire, and other safety hazards that may affect the County is provided in the Technical Background Report of this Element. A summary of the conclusions of the Technical Background Report that will influence future land use decisions is provided in each following section.

The San Luis Obispo County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan presents a comprehensive risk assessment of natural hazards that have the potential to affect San Luis Obispo County. The Local Hazard Mitigation Plan was developed by the County in accordance with the federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, adopted by the Board of Supervisors and approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Local Hazard Mitigation Plan suggests possible mitigation measures for reducing the effects of the potential hazards. It is incorporated by this reference into the Safety Element and should be consulted when addressing known hazards to ensure the general health and safety of people within San Luis Obispo County. The goals and policies within this Safety Element support and are consistent with the recommended mitigation strategy within the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.