

A06-0007 – As recommended by the Planning Commission June 14., 2007

Findings

1.0 CEQA FINDINGS

- 1.1 The proposed General Plan policy amendment will not create any new or changed environmental impacts from those identified in the 2004 General Plan Environmental Impact Report, therefore an addendum to the EIR, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §15164, is appropriate for this amendment.
- 1.2 None of the conditions described in §15162 have occurred as explained below:
 - 1.2.1 The proposed amendment is not a substantial change to the General Plan because it will not increase the density or intensity of use, or increase impacts identified in the General Plan EIR and there are no new significant environmental effects created as a result of this amendment. Impacts to airports and air traffic safety were not identified as a significant impact, and the provisions of Policy 2.2.5.13 relating to the requirement of a planned development was not identified as a mitigation measure.
 - 1.2.2 There have been no substantial changes to the General Plan involving new significant environmental effects or substantial increases in the severity of previously identified significant effects.
 - 1.2.3 No new information has been provided to the County that was not available at the time the EIR was certified indicating that the amendment would have a significant effect; the impacts previously examined would be substantially more; new mitigations have been identified that were previously determined to be infeasible; or that different mitigation measures or alternatives would substantially reduce significant impacts on the environment.

2.0 GENERAL PLAN FINDINGS

- 2.1 The proposed amendment will encourage infill development on smaller lots in the Cameron Park area at similar densities and intensity of use as existing development.
 - 2.2.1 All other policies relating to resource protection such as oak tree canopy protection, avoidance of steep slopes, and stream or wetland setbacks will still apply, thereby protecting important resources and providing open space without a mandatory requirement of 30 percent of the site.