



Legislation Text

File #: 21-1042, **Version:** 1

Planning and Building Department, Planning Division, Long Range Planning Unit, recommending the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution of Intention **082-2021** to Amend Title 130 of the County Zoning Ordinance and initiate the Zoning Ordinance Update project.

FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

On March 17, 2020 (File No. 20-0326, Item No. 27), the Board approved and endorsed the Long Range Planning (LRP) Project Prioritization Matrix for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21, which included the Zoning Ordinance Update project. The Board provided direction to staff under the new Zoning Ordinance Update project to initiate amendments to the following specific sections of the Zoning Ordinance: Chapter 130.36 - Signs; Chapter 130.39 - Oak Resources Conservation, Article 3; Section 130.40.130 - Communications Facilities; and Section 130.40.140 - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, in Article 4. Subsequently, this Zoning Ordinance Update project was also endorsed in the Long Range Planning Project Prioritization Matrix for FY 2021-22 on April 13, 2021 (File No. 21-0502, Item No. 21) by the Board.

An initial step in amending the Zoning Ordinance is the adoption of the Resolution of Intention (ROI), as required by Section 130.63.020 (Ordinance Amendments and Zone Change Applications) of the Zoning Ordinance.

Following adoption of the ROI, LRP staff, in collaboration with a consultant, will prepare public review drafts of the proposed amendments and proceed with preparation of all necessary documentation and environmental review as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. Following preparation of the environmental documents, LRP staff will schedule public hearings with the Planning Commission to receive public comments, review applicable environmental documents, and forward recommendations to the Board for consideration at the final adoption hearing(s).

ALTERNATIVES

The Board may choose to not approve this ROI for the Zoning Ordinance Update project; however, this will cause delays in addressing the projects associated with the Board approved LRP Project Prioritization Matrix for FY2021-22.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

See Discussion/Background above

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no change to Net County Cost associated with this item. Funding for the Zoning Ordinance Update project, including costs for anticipated consultant services, has been included in the FY 2021-22 Budget in the amount of \$92,000. Funding for services beyond FY 2021-22, if needed, will be including in subsequent budgets accordingly.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

- 1) Clerk of the Board will obtain the Chair's signature on one (1) original copy of the ROI.
- 2) Clerk of the Board will forward two (2) certified copies of the fully-executed ROI to Planning and Building Department, attention Christopher Smith, Planning Division, for further processing.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance: Incorporate benchmarks (to other agencies) and best practices to provide context to decisions, using data to inform discussions while promoting efforts to creatively address service delivery.

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