

ATTACHMENT H

DRAFT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ADOPTING THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY 2045 GENERAL PLAN AND CONTRA
COSTA COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION AND ADAPTATION PLAN 2024 UPDATE

Recitals

- A. Government Code Section 65300 requires each county and city to adopt a “comprehensive, long-term general plan” for its physical development.
- B. In December 2017, the Board of Supervisors directed the Department of Conservation and Development to prepare comprehensive updates to the Contra Costa County General Plan 2005-2020 and Contra Costa County 2015 Climate Action Plan, a project that came to be known as “Envision Contra Costa.”
- C. From 2018 through 2024, the County conducted extensive outreach as part of Envision Contra Costa. This included, but was not limited to, maintaining a project website and conducting or participating in over 170 meetings where members of the public and decision-makers were able to provide comments on the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update as these documents were being drafted.
- D. On October 17, 2023, the County published the Draft Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update for public review and comment. The public review period for the Draft General Plan and Climate Action and Adaptation Plan ran from October 17, 2023, to April 22, 2024.
- E. The Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan Health and Safety Element incorporates by reference the current Contra Costa County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP), as required by AB 2140 to increase opportunities for financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act. The LHMP was developed in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and followed the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Local Hazard Mitigation Plan guidance.
- F. Government Code Sections 65302, 65302.5, 65302.7, and 65563, and Public Resources Code Section 2762 require the County to submit pertinent sections of the Draft General Plan to the State Office of Emergency Services, California Geological Survey, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, Secretary of the Resources Agency, and State Mining and Geology Board for review and comment prior to adoption. The County has complied with all requirements of these statutes.
- G. The State of California has established climate goals and targets to achieve a 40% reduction in greenhouse gas below 1990 levels by 2030 (Senate Bill 32, 2016) and

85% reduction in greenhouse below 1990 levels and net carbon neutrality by 2045 (Assembly Bill 1279, 2022).

- H. The Climate Action and Adaptation Plan includes strategies and actions to increase the County's resilience to changing climate conditions and that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the unincorporated areas of the County by a minimum of 40% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 85% below 1990 levels by 2045, and positions the County on a path toward carbon neutrality.
- I. The Climate Action and Adaptation Plan has been prepared to satisfy the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15183.5(b) elements for a qualified GHG reduction plan. Once adopted, the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan will constitute a qualified GHG reduction plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions within the County's jurisdictional boundary to meet State targets consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b) for the years 2030 and 2045.
- J. Pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, the County published a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), State Clearinghouse No. 2023090467, analyzing the potential environmental impacts associated with adoption and implementation of the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update. The public review period for the DEIR ran from February 9, 2024, to April 8, 2024.
- K. On September 10, 2024, the Board of Supervisors reviewed staff-recommended edits to the Draft General Plan and Climate Action and Adaptation Plan. The Board directed County staff to prepare the final drafts of the General Plan and Climate Action and Adaptation Plan with the staff-recommended edits and other edits directed by the Board. These edits have been incorporated into the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update.
- L. On October 16, 2024, pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, the County published a Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR), State Clearinghouse No. 2023090467, incorporating the DEIR, responding to comments on the DEIR, and presenting revisions to the DEIR, including any clarifications based on the comments and the responses to the comments. The County also published a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program to provide a record of mitigation monitoring measures. The County also published proposed CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, presenting written findings and statements required for certification of the Final EIR and approval of the proposed project.
- M. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 65353 and 65354, the County Planning Commission conducted a noticed public hearing on October 23, 2024, to consider providing a written recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on certification of the Final EIR, adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, adoption of the CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding

Considerations, and adoption of the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update, and voted [#-#] to provide such recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors resolves as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated by reference.
2. Notice of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors hearing on the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update and the environmental review documents was given as required by law and the actions were conducted in accordance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.
3. All individuals, groups, and agencies desiring to comment were given adequate opportunity to submit oral and written comments on the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update and the environmental review documents. These opportunities for comment meet or exceed the requirements of State law, including CEQA.
4. All comments submitted during the public review and comment period on the DEIR were responded to adequately.
5. The Final EIR was completed in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the County of Contra Costa, and was reviewed and considered by the Board of Supervisors before adoption of the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update. The Board approves and certifies the Final EIR, which is attached as Exhibit [X] to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference.
6. The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation. The Board adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, which is attached as Exhibit [X] to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference.
7. The Board considered all significant impacts, mitigation measures, and project alternatives identified in the Final EIR. The significant adverse effects of the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update either have been reduced to an acceptable level or are outweighed by specific overriding considerations of the proposed project. The Board adopts the CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, which are attached as Exhibits [X and Y] to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference.

8. The Board reviewed and considered the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and all documentation comprising the foregoing, as presented to the Board concurrent with this resolution, and finds that the 2045 General Plan is consistent with the requirements of State law, specifically Government Code Section 65300 et seq.
9. The Board makes the required findings to adopt the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan as set forth in Exhibit [X], which is attached to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference.
10. The Board repeals the Contra Costa County General Plan 2005-2020 in its entirety and adopts the Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan, which is attached as Exhibit [X] to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference, in its entirety. The 2045 General Plan shall henceforth constitute the General Plan of the County of Contra Costa, subject to any future amendments adopted pursuant to the requirements and procedures of applicable law relating to the amendment of general plans.
11. The Board reviewed and considered the Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update and all documentation comprising the foregoing, as presented to the Board concurrent with this resolution, and finds that the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan is consistent with the State's GHG reduction targets, including Assembly Bill (AB) 1279, which codified the State's commitment to be carbon neutral by 2045.
12. The Board repeals the Contra Costa County 2015 Climate Action Plan in its entirety and adopts the Contra Costa County Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2024 Update, which is attached as Exhibit [X] to the staff report accompanying this resolution and incorporated by reference, in its entirety.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on _____, by the following vote:

AYES:
 NOES:
 ABSENT:
 ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: MONICA NINO,
 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
 and County Administrator

 Board Chair

By: _____
 Deputy

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