

(RA-89-61)
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF
THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
RESOLUTION NO. 1700
ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 1989

A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO CERTIFYING THAT THE AGENCY HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE FINAL MASTER ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (INCLUDING THE FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SIXTH AMENDMENT TO THE COLUMBIA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN) AS IT PERTAINS TO EACH OF THE HORTON PLAZA AND COLUMBIA (WITH SIXTH AMENDMENT) AND MARINA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND THE IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES FOR EACH OF SUCH PROJECTS, AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF EACH OF SUCH PROJECTS AND SUCH IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES.

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of The City of San Diego (the "Agency") is engaged in activities necessary to carry out and implement the Redevelopment Plans for the Horton Plaza and Columbia and Marina Redevelopment Projects (the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has previously prepared, and the Agency (Resolution No. 1624) and the City Council of The City of San Diego (Resolution No. R-271447) have certified the Final Master Environmental Impact Report for the Centre City Redevelopment Projects (including the incorporation therein of certain environmental assessments certified in connection with and subsequent to the approval and adoption of the Redevelopment Plans for the Horton Plaza and Columbia and Marina Redevelopment Projects), referred to herein as the "MEIR"; and

WHEREAS, the Agency proposes to approve a Sixth Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan for the Columbia Redevelopment Project (the "Sixth Amendment") which would increase permitted development densities on certain blocks in the Project area, delete reference to construction of a convention center, refine

permitted uses, establish urban design standards and make certain other appropriate changes in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Centre City Development Corporation, Inc., acting on behalf of the Agency, has prepared a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Sixth Amendment to the Columbia Redevelopment Plan, referred to herein as the "SEIR," in accordance with and pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 ("CEQA") and State and local guidelines and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, to assess the environmental impacts resulting from the Projects, as changed by the proposed Sixth Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the MEIR (as supplemented by the SEIR) updates and consolidates the existing EIR for each Project and is intended to serve as both a base information document from which supplementary studies may be derived for future specific implementation activities in any of the three Centre City Project areas, and as a supplement to the existing EIR for each Project and for those implementation activities currently planned therein; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed and considered the information contained in the MEIR and SEIR; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the environmental effects of the Horton Plaza and Columbia and Marina Redevelopment Projects, including the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Columbia Redevelopment Plan, as shown in the MEIR and the SEIR; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Redevelopment Agency of The City of San Diego, as follows:

1. The Agency hereby certifies that the Final Master Environmental Impact Report for the Centre City Redevelopment Projects, as updated by the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Sixth Amendment to the Columbia Redevelopment Plan, sometimes collectively referred to herein as the "updated MEIR," as it pertains to each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects, has been prepared and completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 and State and local regulations and guidelines adopted pursuant thereto.

2. The Agency hereby further certifies that the information contained in said updated MEIR, as it pertains to each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects, has been reviewed and considered by the Agency members.

3. The Agency hereby finds and determines that:

A. Each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects will not result

in significant environmental effects in certain respects identified in the updated MEIR, as described in Section I. of Attachment A (attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference).

B. Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects which avoid or substantially lessen certain significant environmental effects of the Projects identified in the updated MEIR, as described in Section II. of Attachment A.

C. Changes or alterations which avoid or substantially lessen certain significant environmental effects of each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects, identified in the updated MEIR, are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the Agency or the City Council, and such changes have been adopted by such other agency, as described in Section III. of Attachment A.

D. With respect to significant environmental effects of each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects which cannot be avoided or substantially lessened, specific economic, social or other considerations make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the updated MEIR, as described in Section IV. of Attachment A.

E. The significant environmental effects of each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects which cannot be avoided or substantially lessened are acceptable due to overriding concerns, as described in Section V. of Attachment A.

4. The Executive Director of the Agency, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to cause the filing of a Notice of Determination with respect to the updated MEIR (including the SEIR) as it pertains to each of the Horton Plaza and Columbia (with Sixth Amendment) and Marina Redevelopment Projects.

APPROVED: John W. Witt, General Counsel

By

Allisyn L. Thomas

Deputy Counsel

ALT:wk

12/22/88

Doc.No.1615

Or.Dept:CCDC

RA-89-61