

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-290286

ADOPTED ON JUNE 16, 1998

WHEREAS, both the west and east ends of State Route 56 (SR-56) have been completed and are currently in operation; and

WHEREAS, SR-56 West is an existing four-lane freeway between El Camino Real and Carmel Country Road, and sufficient right-of-way has been retained to allow for a total of six lanes in the future; and

WHEREAS, SR-56 East is a four-lane freeway between Black Mountain Road and I-15 with enough right-of-way to allow for future expansion to include six mixed-flow lanes and two high occupancy vehicle lanes or other transit options; and

WHEREAS, The I-5/SR-56 connectors are currently under construction to allow northbound I-5 to eastbound SR-56 and westbound SR-56 to southbound I-5 traffic flow; and

WHEREAS, both the California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) and The City of San Diego have completed several preliminary studies to evaluate various optional alignments for the uncompleted middle portion of SR-56; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego has completed and distributed for public review a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) in December 1996 and a draft Revised EIR (REIR) in January 1998 addressing four primary optional alignments (i.e., Northern, Central, Modified Northern D, and Modified Northern F), two cross-section configurations (i.e., expressway and freeway), and other project alternatives for completion of the middle segment of SR-56; and

WHEREAS, the eastern and western segments of the Northern, Modified Northern D, and Modified Northern F optional alignments are interchangeable from an engineering design perspective and fully analyzed for environmental impacts in LDR No. 95-0099, SCH No. 96031039; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the middle segment of SR-56 is a project proposed by The City of San Diego, City Engineering and Capital Projects Department and the City Development Services Center (City as Lead Agency), with CalTrans and the County of San Diego as Responsible Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the matter of choosing an alignment for the middle segment of SR-56 and approval of a Coastal Development Permit for that project was set for a public hearing to be conducted by the Council of The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the issue was heard by the Council on June 16, 1998; and

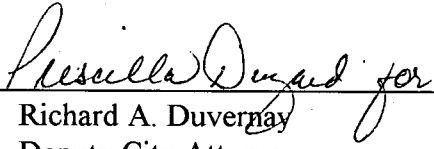
WHEREAS, the Council of The City of San Diego has carefully considered the issues discussed in Environmental Impact Report, LDR No. 95-0099, SCH No. 96031039, and the information contained in the final environmental document, including any comments received during the public review and public hearing process; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that it is certified that the information contained in the Environmental Impact Report, LDR No. 95-0099, SCH No. 96031039, on file in the office of the City Clerk, has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and the State guidelines thereto (California Code of Regulations section 15000 et seq.), that the report reflects the independent

judgment of The City of San Diego as Lead Agency and that the information contained in said report, together with any comments received during the public review process, has been reviewed and considered by this Council in connection with the construction of the middle segment of State Route 56.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney and City Manager are directed to return to the City Council with the Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program to support the Council's selection of the Alignment for the middle segment of State Route 56, as set forth in City Council Resolution No. R-290288, adopted on June 16, 1998.

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