

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 297880

ADOPTED ON APR 22 2003

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO CERTIFYING THE FINAL PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CROSSROADS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE CROSSROADS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND THE IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES THEREFOR, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, AND ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of San Diego [the Agency] has prepared a proposed redevelopment plan for the Crossroads Redevelopment Project [the Project]; and

WHEREAS, the Agency, as lead agency, is responsible for preparing a Project Environmental Impact Report [PEIR] to assess the environmental impacts which may result from the Project; and

WHEREAS, a Draft PEIR was prepared and circulated for review, comment and consultation with citizens, professional disciplines and public agencies pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 [CEQA] and state and local guidelines and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Final PEIR, relating to the proposed redevelopment plan for the Project and incorporating the written comments to the Draft PEIR received during the review period and

the responses thereto, has been prepared pursuant to CEQA and the guidelines and regulations;
and

WHEREAS, the Final PEIR, is intended to serve as a base informational document for all public or private activities or undertakings pursuant to, or in furtherance of, the redevelopment plan for the Project which shall be deemed a single project under Section 21090 of the California Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego [the Council], in connection with its consideration of the approval of the proposed redevelopment plan for the Project [the Redevelopment Plan], has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final PEIR;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

1. That the Council hereby certifies that the Final PEIR for the Crossroads Redevelopment Project has been prepared and completed in compliance with CEQA and state and local guidelines and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and the Agency has certified the Final PEIR.

2. That the Council hereby further certifies that the information contained in the Final PEIR has been reviewed and considered by the members of the Council, that each and all of the findings and determinations contained in this Resolution (including all attachments) are based on substantial evidence in the record, and that such findings and determinations reflect the independent judgment and analysis of the Council.

3. That the Council finds and determines that:

A. The Project will not result in significant environmental effects with respect

to Land Use, Land Form/Visual Quality, and Public Services and Utilities, as identified in the Final PEIR.

B. Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which avoid or substantially lessen certain significant environmental effects of the Project identified in the Final PEIR, as described in Sections VIII and X of the Final Environmental Impact Report/CEQA Findings (attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as "Attachment A").

C. With respect to significant environmental effects of the Project which cannot be avoided or substantially lessened, specific economic, legal, social and technological or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the Final PEIR, as described in Sections IX and XI of Attachment A.

D. There are no changes or alterations which would avoid or substantially lessen certain significant environmental effects of the Project that are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the Agency or the City Council.

E. The benefits of the Project outweigh significant environmental effects of the Project that cannot be avoided or substantially lessened, as described in Section XIII of Attachment A, and for this reason the Council hereby adopts Section XIII of Attachment A as the Statement of Overriding Considerations for the Crossroads Redevelopment Plan.

4. That the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Crossroads

Redevelopment Project, in the form on file in the office of the Secretary to the Agency as Document No. R-297880s hereby approved and adopted to monitor and ensure that the mitigation measures identified will be instituted.

5. That the City Clerk, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to cause the filing of a Notice of Determination with respect to the Final PEIR upon adoption of the proposed Redevelopment Plan for the Project by the City Council.

6. That the Final Project Environmental Impact Report is hereby designated as a "project environmental impact report" within the meaning of Section 21091 of the California Public Resources Code.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, General Counsel

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