

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 307409

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAY 03 2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO REJECTING THE COMPLETE COMMUNITY/ MOBILITY STUDY.

WHEREAS, On March 26, 2006, the City Council certified the Downtown Community Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (Downtown Community Plan FEIR) and adopted the Downtown Community Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Community Plan includes a Transportation Chapter which outlines policies and implementation tools to enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety, improve connections between neighborhoods, and increase and diversify transit; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the adoption of the Downtown Community Plan, Save Our Forest and Ranchlands (SOFAR) filed a lawsuit against the City, the Centre City Development Corporation (CCDC), and the City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency (Redevelopment Agency); and

WHEREAS, in May 2007, the City, CCDC, and the Redevelopment Agency entered into a Settlement Agreement to settle the ongoing litigation regarding the City's Downtown Community Plan (Settlement Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreement required CCDC to prepare a transit-oriented alternative study designed to augment implementation of the Downtown Community Plan, should the City decide to adopt any or all of the study's recommendations and an accompanying program-level Environmental Impact Report; and

WHEREAS, CCDC retained a consultant to prepare the transit-oriented alternative study required by the Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the transit-oriented alternative study, titled "Complete Community/Mobility Study," on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 307409 - 1 (Mobility Study), was completed in September 2008; and

WHEREAS, at the time the Mobility Study was prepared and completed, the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan was in effect; and

WHEREAS, since the Mobility Study has been completed, the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) has prepared and adopted the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, which includes many of the same goals and policies as the Mobility Study and includes many of the projects discussed in the Mobility Study; and

WHEREAS, the Mobility Study helped to inform SANDAG in its preparation and adoption of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, it is no longer a timely document that should be adopted by the City given the time that has elapsed since its completion in the context of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to continue to work with SANDAG as the region's transportation planning agency in implementing the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the Downtown Community Plan, CCDC has prepared the following studies which are similar to or complement the strategies in the Mobility Study: Comprehensive Parking Plan for Downtown San Diego, the Downtown San Diego Needs Assessment for Open Space, Parks, and Recreational Opportunities, Downtown Design Guidelines, Wayfinding Signage, and Public Open Space Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the Downtown Community Plan, CCDC has engaged in planning efforts related to bicycle planning, bus rapid transit, and a downtown shuttle, which are similar to or complement the strategies identified in the Mobility Study; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Settlement Agreement, a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR) for the Mobility Study, on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 307409-2, has been prepared; and

WHEREAS, under the Settlement Agreement, the Mobility Study and FSEIR must be presented to the City Council for its consideration, and following the public review and input process, the City Council may approve, reject or modify the Mobility Study and/or the conclusions of the FSEIR; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the Mobility Study and FSEIR; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(5), a project is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act if the City does not approve the project; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that City Council of the City of San Diego, that after considering the Mobility Study and FSEIR, it rejects the Mobility Study.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of ~~MAY 01 2012~~.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 5-3-12
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor