

**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-045**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE  
FINDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PLAN AND  
CORRESPONDING REZONES EXEMPT FROM FURTHER  
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

**WHEREAS**, the proposed action includes amendments to the City's General Plan and the rezoning of certain properties (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, these amendments modify the certain Circulation and Land Use policies and add new Policy PF-27 relative to maintenance, improvement, and modernization of existing City facilities and services, as well as a change in land use designation for a site at the northwest corner of Bond Road and Waterman Road, more specifically identified as APNs 127-1030-005, 008, 009, 010 and 127-0010-108; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on February 19, 2015 as required by law to consider all of the information presented by staff and public testimony presented in writing and at the meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing on March 11, 2015 as required by law to consider all of the information presented by staff and public testimony presented in writing and at the meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby finds the proposed changes relative to the Other Amendments exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) based upon the following finding:

Finding: No further environmental review is required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

Evidence: The proposed changes (revisions to the Circulation and Land Use policies, new Policy PF-27) are exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which describes the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects which "have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment; where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." The approval of these amendments does not approve any development project. The modifications to Policies CI-10, 12, and 13, and Figure CI-2 clarify existing policies but do not alter build-out lane configurations or the need for certain improvements. Further, the changes do not modify the City's Level of Service thresholds. The changes relative to Commuter Rail provide greater flexibility in determining a site for the future use (which would require project-specific CEQA review prior to project approval) and clarifies how the TOD overlay designation works. The addition of Policy PF-27 provides greater direction to the City in identifying and programming improvements to City facilities and operations, which would be identified after future study. Each of these components, individually and cumulatively, does not result in the possibility

of creating significant or cumulative effects on the environment. Future development under the proposed regulations would be subject to CEQA at that time, as those actions would be classified as "projects" under CEQA. Therefore, these changes are not subject to CEQA under the General Rule and no further environmental review is necessary.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2015.



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GARY DAVIS, MAYOR of the  
CITY OF ELK GROVE

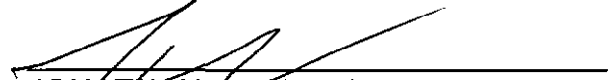
ATTEST:



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JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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JONATHAN P. HOBBS,  
CITY ATTORNEY

**CERTIFICATION  
ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2015-045**

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COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO    )     ss  
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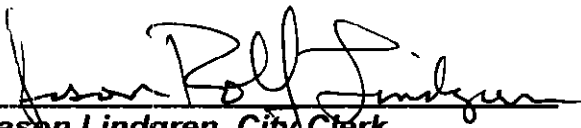
***I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on March 11, 2015 by the following vote:***

**AYES :        COUNCILMEMBERS:     Davis, Hume, Detrick, Ly, Suen**

**NOES:        COUNCILMEMBERS:     None**

**ABSTAIN :    COUNCILMEMBERS:     None**

**ABSENT:      COUNCILMEMBERS:     None**

  
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**Jason Lindgren, City Clerk  
City of Elk Grove, California**