

1 **WHEREAS**, following the conclusion of the public review period on January 25,
2 2016, the City prepared annotated responses to all comments received, as well as line
3 edits to the Draft Environmental Impact Report; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the Responses to Comments Document, including line edits, are
6 incorporated by reference to this Resolution as Exhibit B; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, the potential for significant impacts has been mitigated by policies
9 in the General Plan itself, as well as mitigation measures specifically prescribed for the
10 project and incorporated into this resolution by reference as Exhibit C; and
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12 **WHEREAS**, the City has made findings for the General Plan Environmental
13 Impact Report as required by Section 15091 and 15093 of the State CEQA Guidelines
14 and Section 21081 of the Public Resources Code, and such findings are incorporated into
15 this resolution as Exhibit D; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, the Albany Planning and Zoning Commission conducted a public
18 hearing on the Draft General Plan and EIR, including the attachments referenced above,
19 on March 9, 2016; and
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21 **WHEREAS**, the Albany Planning and Zoning Commission adopted Resolution
22 2016-01, recommending Council adoption of the EIR and related documents, including
23 edits to pages 13 and 16 of the required CEQA Findings document (Exhibit D);
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25 **NOW THEREFORE, THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS**
26 **FOLLOWS:**
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- 28 1. The Albany 2035 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) provides a
29 program-level evaluation of projected growth in Albany over the 2015-2035
period, following the policies, maps, and action programs of the General Plan.

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2. The EIR has been prepared in compliance with CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and the City’s local CEQA guidelines.
3. Notices of the public hearings on the General Plan Update, the Draft EIR, and the Final EIR were given as required and actions were conducted pursuant to State law.
4. All comments received on the Draft EIR, including those received at public hearings, were responded to adequately.
5. The EIR adequately identifies and addresses all of the potential environmental impacts and feasible mitigation measures have been incorporated into the 2035 General Plan in the form of goals, policies, and action items.
6. No changes to the General Plan or Draft EIR have been made that necessitate or involve significant new information as outlined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5.
7. The EIR is adequate and complete for consideration in making a decision on the merits of the General Plan Update.
8. The Albany Planning and Zoning Commission has conducted required public hearings and recommended adoption of the Final EIR by the City Council.

Based on the foregoing findings, the City Council adopts the Albany 2035 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (Exhibit A), including the Response to Comments (Exhibit B), Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Exhibit C); and Findings (Exhibit D).

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 18th day of April 2016 by the following vote:

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NOES-

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Mayor, Peter Maass

ATTEST:

Nicole Almaguer, City Clerk

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EXHIBIT A
DRAFT 2035 GENERAL PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
November 25, 2015
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EXHIBIT B
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EXHIBIT C
MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
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EXHIBIT D
CEQA-REQUIRED FINDINGS
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