

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2009

Adopted February 3, 2009

ADOPTING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE VISITACION VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM; VISITACION VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT SURVEY AREA

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. The Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("Agency"), the Planning Department ("Planning Department"), the Mayor's Office, and other City Departments have been working on a plan to transform the vacant Schlage Lock Site into a new transit-oriented community, support revitalization of the commercial corridors along Leland Avenue and Bayshore Boulevard, provide new community facilities for the Visitacion Valley neighborhood, and encourage infill development, via the proposed Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Program.
2. On June 7, 2005, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors established the Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Survey Area (Resolution No. 424-05).
3. On November 6, 2006, the San Francisco Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") approved the Visitacion Valley Preliminary Plan (Motion No. 17340).
4. The Agency has prepared a proposed Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Plan for the Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Survey Area ("Redevelopment Plan").
5. The proposed Redevelopment Plan would create an approximately 46-acre Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Project Area ("Project Area"), consisting of the former Schlage Lock factory and surrounding industrial properties ("Schlage Lock Site") and the neighborhood commercial corridors along Leland Avenue and Bayshore Boulevard.
6. As part of the proposed Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Program, the Agency and the Planning Department has prepared the Visitacion Valley Schlage Lock Design for Development ("Design for Development") for the Project Area, which provides an urban design framework plan and specific development controls and design guidelines for the Project Area.
7. The Design for Development is a companion document to the Redevelopment Plan. The Redevelopment Plan establishes Goals and Objectives and basic land use standards for the Project Area. The Design for Development provides legislated development requirements and specific design recommendations that apply to all developments within Zone 1 of the Project Area.

8. The Agency shall utilize the Design for Development, along with the Redevelopment Plan in consideration of entitlements of future developments in Zone 1, and will follow the design review procedure described therein.
9. The environmental effects of the proposed Visitacion Valley Redevelopment Program ("Project"), including the Redevelopment Plan and Design for Development for the Project Area, have been analyzed in the environmental documents, which are described in Resolution No. 157-2008. Copies of the environmental documents are on file with the Agency.
10. On December 16, 2008, the Agency Commission adopted Resolution No. 157-2008, certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") for the Project as adequate, accurate, and objective and in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) ("CEQA") and the CEQA Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations Sections 15000 et seq.). At its meeting on December 18, 2008, the Planning Commission also certified the FEIR (Motion No. 17789).
11. The Planning Department and Agency prepared Findings, as required by CEQA, regarding the alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant environmental impacts analyzed in the FEIR, and overriding considerations for approving the proposed Project, including all of the actions listed in Attachment A hereto, and a proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, attached as Exhibit 1 to Attachment A, which material was made available to the public and this Agency Commission for its review, consideration, and action.


RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that:

1. The Agency Commission certified the FEIR as adequate, accurate, and objective, and reflecting the independent judgment of the Agency in Resolution No. 157-2008.
2. The Agency Commission has reviewed and considered the FEIR and hereby adopts the Findings attached hereto as Attachment A, including its Exhibit 1, and incorporates the same herein by this reference.
3. The Agency Commission finds, based on substantial evidence in light of the whole record, that: (a) approvals of the actions before it related to implementation of the Project will not require important revisions to the FEIR as there are no new significant environmental effects or substantial increases in the severity of previously identified significant effects; (b) no new information of substantial importance to the Project has become available that would indicate: (i) the Project or the approval actions will have significant effects not discussed in

the FEIR; (ii) significant environmental effects will be substantially more severe; (iii) mitigation measures or alternatives found not feasible that would reduce one or more significant effects have become feasible, or (iv) mitigation measures or alternatives that are considerably different from those in the FEIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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