

RESOLUTION NO. 12-14

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLIAMS MAKING FINDINGS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS AND ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE WILLIAMS 2030 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE (State Clearinghouse Number 2010072071)

WHEREAS, the subject project, known as the “City of Williams 2030 General Plan Update,” consists of the City’s policy document and blueprint for future community development for the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, this Council has certified that the Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") prepared for the Williams 2030 General Plan Update ("Project"), as defined therein, has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (Pub. Resources Code § 21000 et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR § 15000 et seq.), that the City has reviewed and considered the information and analysis contained in the EIR; and that the EIR reflects the City's independent judgment; and

WHEREAS, the EIR identified certain significant effects on the environment that would be caused by the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City is required, pursuant to CEQA, to adopt all feasible mitigation measures or feasible project alternatives that can substantially lessen or avoid any significant effects on the environment associated with a project to be approved; and

WHEREAS, the Williams 2030 General Plan was drafted with the intent that it contain policies and actions which, as development occurs under the Plan, will minimize to the greatest extent possible the impacts of such development. However, it was not possible to reduce all potentially significant effects to a level of less than significant through the inclusion of such policies and actions. Therefore, there are some effects which have been identified as significant and unavoidable; and

WHEREAS, no feasible mitigation measures have been identified which would substantially lessen or avoid the significant and unavoidable effects on the environment associated with the Project, and therefore the City must consider the feasibility of alternatives, as set forth in the Final EIR, that may avoid or substantially lessen such impacts; and

WHEREAS, because the EIR has concluded the Project will result in some significant and unavoidable impacts, CEQA requires the City to adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations if the Project is approved:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLIAMS:

SECTION 1.

1. The City makes the CEQA Findings of Fact attached as **Exhibit A** to this resolution, as required by Public Resources Code section 21081; and
2. The City adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations included in **Exhibit A**, as required by Public Resources Code section 21081.

SECTION 2.

The City adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program included in **Exhibit A**, as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6.

On motion by Councilmember _____ and seconded by Councilmember _____, the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted on the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Williams this 20th day of June, 2012.

John Troughton, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Charles L. Bergson
City Clerk

Ann M. Sipelle
City Attorney