



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

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Date: July 17, 2023

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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4/5 Vote Required

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,  
Authorizing Submittal of an Update of the Sonoma County Local Coastal Plan to the  
California Coastal Commission for Certification of Consistency with the California  
Coastal Act**

**Whereas**, section 30500 of the Public Resource Code requires each County and City within the coastal zone to either prepare a Local Coastal Program for the portion of the coastal zone within its jurisdiction, or request the Coastal Commission to do so. Sonoma County has prepared a Local Coastal Program, which in Sonoma County is comprised of the Local Coastal Plan (LCP), the Coastal Zoning Resource Districts Ordinance (Chapter 26C), all accompanying land use and zoning maps, and the Coastal Administrative Manual;

**Whereas**, following extensive public outreach with a diverse array of stakeholders, the Planning Commission held duly noticed public hearing on July 26, 2021, October 7, 2021, November 10, 2021, December 9, 2021, January 13, 2022, February 3, 2022, March 3, 2022, March 28, 2022, and June 29, 2022, to consider an update to the Sonoma County Local Coastal Plan;

**Whereas**, at the conclusion of 35 hours of public testimony and deliberations by the Planning Commission, the Planning Commission recommended an update to the Sonoma County Local Coastal Plan for adoption by the Board of Supervisors;

**Whereas**, pursuant to Sections 21080.5 and 21080.9 of the Public Resources Code and Sections 15250, 15251(f), and 15265 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the preparation, approval, and certification of a Local Coastal Program update is exempt from the requirement for preparation of an environmental impact report, negative declaration, or initial study because the California Coastal Commission's review and approval process has been certified by the Secretary of Resources as being the functional equivalent of the environmental impact report process;

**Whereas**, pursuant to California Public Resources Code section 30510(a), the Board of Supervisors certifies that this Local Coastal Plan Update is intended to be carried out in conformance with the California Coastal Act;

**Whereas**, this Local Coastal Plan Update will take effect upon certification of consistency with the Coastal Act by the California Coastal Commission;

**Whereas**, on October 4, 2022, April 4, 2023, and July 17, 2023, the Board of Supervisors held a duly noticed public hearing on this update, received public comments, and reviewed and considered all public testimony and evidence presented at the hearing;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopts the Local Coastal Plan as revised found in Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.
2. Directs the Permit and Resource Management Department to transmit the Amendment, including all necessary supporting documentation, to the California Coastal Commission as an amendment to the certified Local Coastal Program for their review and certification in accordance with Public Resources Code section 30514.
3. Directs the Permit and Resource Management Department to file a notice of exemption in accordance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:            Rabbitt:            Coursey:            Hopkins:            Gore:  
  
Ayes:            Noes:            Absent:            Abstain:

**So Ordered.**