
Date: November 16, 2021

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY DETERMINING THAT THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT SONOMA WATER IN ANY RESPECT AND WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT; AND AUTHORIZING GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR CONVEYANCE TO THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FOR ITS FULTON ROAD WIDENING PROJECT. (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

Whereas, The Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) owns and maintains Forestview Creek, which provides flood protection in the northwest portion of the City of Santa Rosa; and

Whereas, The City of Santa Rosa (City) requires access to a portion of Forestview Creek lands owned by Sonoma Water to complete City's Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project (Project); and

Whereas, City has requested that Sonoma Water grant fee title to a portion of Sonoma Water's parcel, and a perpetual easement for another portion of the parcel (APN 157-010-035); and

Whereas, Sonoma Water staff has reviewed City's proposed plans and determined that the grant of easement and transfer of property will not adversely affect Sonoma Water; and

Whereas, the City, as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), prepared and certified an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the

Project. The Santa Rosa City Council approved the Project on October 25, 2017; and

Whereas, a Notice of Determination was filed by the City on October 26, 2017 for the Project; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water has reviewed the proposed grant of fee title and grant of easement to the City and the General Manager has determined that with the incorporation of the mitigation measures adopted by the City it will not have significant adverse effects on the environment; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water, as a responsible agency, has prepared a Notice of Determination for granting of the easement to the City for the Project in accordance with CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and Sonoma Water's Compliance Procedures for CEQA.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. This Board hereby determines that the conveyance of a portion of Sonoma Water's parcel by easement and in fee title, respectively, to the City of Santa Rosa, will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment.
3. This Board hereby finds and determines that this conveyance to the City will not adversely affect Sonoma Water in any respect.
4. The Board hereby authorizes Sonoma Water's General Manager to execute the Easement agreement, Acquisition agreement, and Grant Deed with the City of Santa Rosa, in a form approved by County Counsel.

Directors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.