

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CHULA VISTA APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S
GENERAL PLAN TO INCLUDE HEALTH AND WELL BEING
POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

I RECITALS

WHEREAS, in recent years, public health officials, urban planners, and community leaders have begun to more clearly understand the direct causation between the built environment and physical, mental, and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista's General Plan serves as the "constitution" for future growth and development and is the foundation for establishing goals, purposes, zoning and activities with the goal of protecting the environment, maintaining a healthy economy, and ensuring equitable treatment of all people; and

WHEREAS, the concept of healthy communities was included in the 2005 General Plan update; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 City Council voted to approve a General Plan Amendment (GPA) to include additional healthy community objectives and policies to both the Land Use and Transportation and Environmental Elements; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the City launched its "Healthy Chula Vista" initiative to further explore opportunities to promote health and well-being throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments would establish health and well-being goals and objectives throughout the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed comprehensive General Plan amendments would assist in the development of city-wide policies and programs that will improve the City's physical and social environments; and

A. Planning Commission Record of Application

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code section 65090, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on the subject GPA September 9, 2015, and recommended that the City Council adopt the Resolution approving the GPA; and

WHEREAS, the proceedings and all evidence introduced before the Planning Commission at the public hearing on the subject GPA, and the minutes and resolution resulting therefrom, are hereby incorporated into the record subsequent to these proceedings; and

B. City Council Record of Application

WHEREAS, the City Clerk set the time and place for the hearing on the GPA and notices of said hearing, together with its purpose, was given by its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, at least ten days prior to the hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code section 65090, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing on October 13, 2015 on the subject GPA

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council hereby finds and determines as follows:

II. COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA

That the proposed project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and City Council hereby finds that the proposed activity was adequately covered in the previously adopted General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR 05-01) because the proposed objectives and policies are consistent with the previously adopted General Plan Update.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, City Council also finds that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment because the proposed General Plan policies will result in Healthy Communities policies and programs and no physical change to the environment. Therefore, pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.

III. GENERAL PLAN INTERNAL CONSISTENCY

The City Council hereby finds and determines that the General Plan, as amended, is internally consistent and shall remain internally consistent following amendments thereof by this Resolution.

IV. ADOPTION OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS

In light of the findings above, the General Plan Amendment provisions are hereby approved and adopted in the form as presented in Exhibits A attached hereto and on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Presented by:

Approved as to form by:

Gary Halbert, P.E., AICP
City Manager

Glen R. Googins
City Attorney