

**PC RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA CERTIFY THE FINAL SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPT FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, ADOPT A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AND ADOPT A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR MODIFICATION TO THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED TEMECULA VALLEY HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (PA21-1525) AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEMECULA HOSPITAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT (PDO-9) (PA22-0105)**

Section 1. The Planning Commission of the City of Temecula does hereby find, determine and declare that:

A. On November 21, 2021, Temecula Valley Hospital INC (“Applicant”) filed Planning Application No. PA21-1525, for a Modification to the Temecula Valley Hospital Development Plan; on January 26, 2022, Applicant filed PA22-0105, for a Amendment to the Temecula Hospital Planned Development Overlay District; and on May 6, 2025, Applicant filed PA25-0181, for a Modification to a previously approved Condition of Approval. These applications (collectively, “Project”) were filed in a manner in accord with the City of Temecula General Plan and Development Code.

B. Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Res. Code § 21000, et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 14000, et seq.), the City is the lead agency for the Project.

C. The Project was processed, including but not limited to all public notices, in the time and manner prescribed by State and local law, including CEQA.

D. The Temecula Valley Hospital Development Plan and Conditional Use Permit was approved by the City Council on January 22, 2008 by the adoption of Resolution Nos. 08-12 and 08-13. Subsequent Modifications to the Development Plan were approved by the City Council in 2011 by the adoption of Resoulution No. 11-17, in 2016 by the adoption of Resoulution No. 16-29, and in 2018 by the adoption of Resoulution No. 18-77. On January 22, 2008 the City Council certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Temecula Valley Hospital Development Plan by the adoption of Resoulution No. 08-10 (SCH # 2005031017). An Addendum to the EIR was certified by the City Council in 2011 and a Supplemental EIR was certified by the City Council in 2016 by Resolution No. 16-28.

E. CEQA encourages “tiering” EIRs for a sequence of actions so that later EIRs build on information in previous EIRs (Public Resources Code sections 21068.5 and 21093; CEQA

Guidelines section 15152(d)). The Project is located within the Temecula Valley Hospital Development Plan area and, therefore, tiers off of the prior EIRs for the Temecula Valley Hospital.

F. Pursuant to CEQA, City staff determined that the Project could have a significant effect on the environment and therefore a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) should be prepared for the Project.

G. On March 11, 2022, the City published and distributed a Notice of Preparation (NOP) to all agencies and persons that might be affected by the Project. The NOP was also distributed through the State Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse (SCH # 2005031017). The NOP was circulated from March 11, 2022 through April 11, 2022 to receive comments and input from interested public agencies and private parties on issues to be addressed in the SEIR.

H. On March 3, 2022, a public scoping meeting was held, at which time City staff and interested persons had an opportunity to comment on the issues to be addressed in the SEIR for the Project.

I. Thereafter, the City contracted for the independent preparation of a SEIR for the Project, including all necessary technical studies and reports in support of the Draft SEIR. In accordance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines, the City analyzed the Project's potential impacts on the environment, potential mitigation, and potential alternatives to the Project.

J. Thereafter, City staff filed a Notice of Completion with the State Clearinghouse, and circulated a Notice of Availability with the Draft SEIR and Appendices to the public and other interested parties, for a 45-day comment period between November 3, 2022 through December 19, 2022. The City published a Notice of Availability for the Draft SEIR in the Press-Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation within the City. A Notice of Availability was also posted on the project site. Copies of the documents have been available for public review and inspection at the offices of the Community Development Department, located at City Hall, 41000 Main Street, Temecula, California 92590; the Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library located at 30600 Pauba Road; Temecula Grace Mellman Community Library located at 41000 County Center Drive; the Temecula Chamber of Commerce located at 26790 Ynez Court, Suite A; and the City of Temecula website, where the documents were available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

K. During the comment period, the City received five (5) written comments on the Draft SEIR from various agencies, individuals, and organizations. In compliance with CEQA Guidelines section 15088, the City prepared written responses to all comments. None of the comments presented any new significant environmental impacts or otherwise constituted significant new information requiring recirculation of the Draft SEIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15088.5.

L. The "Final SEIR" consists of the Draft SEIR and all of its appendices, the comments and responses to comments on the Draft SEIR, the Corrections and Additions to the SEIR (including revisions to the Project description, among them the removal of the behavioral health hospital component), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. The Final SEIR was made available to the public and to all commenting agencies on May 23, 2025, which

is at least 10 days prior to certification of the Final SEIR, in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21092.5(a).

M. On June 4, 2025, the Planning Commission, held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the Final SEIR and the Project, at which time the Planning Commission heard and considered information presented by City staff on the Project and its environmental review. In addition, interested persons had an opportunity to and did testify regarding this matter.

N. The Planning Commission has reviewed and considered the entire record, including the Final SEIR, evidence presented prior to and at the hearing, staff reports, technical studies, appendices, plans, and other materials.

O. CEQA Guidelines section 15091 requires that the City, before approving the Project, make one or more of the following written finding(s) for each significant effect identified in the Final SEIR accompanied by a brief explanation of the rationale for each finding:

1. Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the Final SEIR; or,
2. Such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been adopted by such other agency or can and should be adopted by such other agency; or,
3. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the Final SEIR.

P. These required written findings are set forth in **Exhibit B**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.

1. Environmental impacts, or certain aspects of impacts, identified in the Final SEIR as potentially significant, but that can be reduced to less than significant levels with mitigation, are described in Exhibit B, Section 4.
2. The four environmental impacts identified in the Final SEIR as significant and unavoidable despite the imposition of all feasible mitigation measures is described in Exhibit B, Section 5.
3. Alternatives to the Project that might eliminate or reduce significant environmental impacts are described in Section 6 of Exhibit B.

Q. Public Resources Code section 21081.6 requires the City to prepare and adopt a mitigation monitoring and reporting program for any project for which mitigation measures have been imposed to assure compliance with the adopted mitigation measures. The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, and is incorporated herein by reference.

R. CEQA Guidelines section 15093 requires that if a project will cause significant unavoidable adverse impacts, the City must adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations prior to approving the project. The Statement of Overriding Considerations is part of the findings, and is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, Section 7, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. After due consideration of the Final SEIR and the Project, and in its independent judgment, the Planning Commission hereby finds and resolves that:

A. All of the above recitals are true and correct, and are hereby incorporated into this section as though set forth in full.

B. Agencies and interested members of the public have been afforded ample notice and opportunity to comment on the Final SEIR and on the Project. The Project has been environmentally reviewed pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

C. The Planning Commission has independently considered the administrative record before it, which is hereby incorporated by reference and which includes the Final SEIR, the written and oral comments on the Draft SEIR and Final SEIR, responses to comments incorporated into the Final SEIR, staff reports and presentations, and all oral and written testimony.

D. The Final SEIR fully analyzes and discloses the potential impacts of the Project, and that those impacts have been mitigated or avoided to the extent feasible for the reasons set forth in the Findings attached herein as Exhibit B, with the exception of that impact found to be significant and unmitigable as discussed therein.

E. The Final SEIR reflects the independent judgment of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission further finds that the additional information provided in the staff reports, in comments on the Draft SEIR, the responses to comments on the Draft SEIR, and the evidence presented in written and oral testimony, does not constitute new information requiring recirculation of the SEIR under CEQA. None of the information presented has deprived the public of a meaningful opportunity to comment upon a substantial environmental impact of the Project or a feasible mitigation measure or alternative that the City has declined to implement.

F. The Planning Commission, in the exercise of its independent judgment, hereby recommends that the City Council certify the Final SEIR for the Project, make appropriate environmental findings, adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Project. The Planning Commission further recommends that the mitigation measures set forth therein be made applicable to the Project.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City of Temecula Planning Commission this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

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Lanae Turley-Trejo, Chair

ATTEST:

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Matt Peters  
Secretary

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA       )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE     )ss  
CITY OF TEMECULA         )

I, Matt Peters, Secretary of the Temecula Planning Commission, do hereby certify that the forgoing PC Resolution No. 2025- was duly and regularly adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Temecula at a regular meeting thereof held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:                   PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:  
  
NOES:                   PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:  
  
ABSTAIN:               PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:  
  
ABSENT:                PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

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Matt Peters  
Secretary