

**RESOLUTION NO. PC 2015-02
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE
SETTING FORTH ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF AN
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT OF THE HAWTHORNE GENERAL PLAN**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government code Section 65303, the City of Hawthorne elects to adopt an optional element to its General Plan, which in the judgment of the City Council relates to and supports the economic and physical development of the city; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 65300.5, the City prepared a draft of the Economic Development Element as General Plan Amendment 2015GP01; and

WHEREAS, City staff has processed the proposed Housing Element in accordance with the procedures specified in Chapter 17.06, Title 17 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code and state law; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noted public hearing on March 18, 2015, on the draft Economic Development Element; and

WHEREAS, evidence was heard and presented from all persons in favor of the adoption of the Economic Development Element, from all persons opposed to the adoption of the Economic Development Element and from members of the City staff; and that the Planning Commission having heard and received all of said evidence, testimony and statements and being fully informed in the application.

**THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE HEREBY FINDS,
DETERMINES, RESOLVES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Planning Commission finds that all of the facts set forth in the recitals of this Resolution are true and correct.

Section 2. Pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the State CEQA Guidelines, California Regulations, Title 14, sections 15378(b)(2) and 15378(b)(5), the City of Hawthorne determines that while the goals and policies of the Economic Development Element relate to physical development in the city, the adoption of the element is not a "project" because those goals and policies of the element are either 1) continuing administrative activities, personnel-related actions, general policy and procedure making, and/or 2) organizational and administrative activities that will not in themselves result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment; and

Section 3. The Planning Commission makes the following findings in connection with the Economic Development Element:

A. The Economic Development Element is a City-initiated application to amend and update the City's General Plan.

B. The proposed Economic Development Element is consistent with the goals, policies and standards of all elements of the General Plan and will further those goals, policies and standards.

C. The proposed Economic Development Element will comprise an integrated, internally consistent and compatible statement of policies for the City.

D. The proposed Economic Development Element furthers the public interest and promotes the general welfare of the City by providing appropriate policies, goals and programs for the logical development of the City.

Section 4 The proposed Economic Development Element will not have an adverse effect, either individually or cumulatively, on wildlife or the habitat upon which wildlife depends, and on the basis of substantial evidence, the presumption of adverse effect is rebutted.

Section 5 The documents and other materials that constitute the record of the proceedings upon which the Planning Commission's recommendations are based, which include, but are not limited to, the staff reports for the Project and all of the materials that support the staff reports for the Project, are located in the office of the Planning Director of the City of Hawthorne, at 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California 90250. The custodian of these documents is the Planning Director of the City of Hawthorne.

Section 6 The Planning Commission Secretary shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall forward a copy to the City Council, City Clerk, City Manager and City Attorney.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 18th day of March, 2015.



RULA ALSHANABLEH, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



GREGG MCCLAIN, SECRETARY