

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS  
ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE 2030 CITY OF SAN CARLOS' GENERAL PLAN'S  
INTRODUCTION, LAND USE ELEMENT, CIRCULATION AND SCENIC HIGHWAYS  
ELEMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ELEMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION  
ELEMENT, AND NOISE ELEMENT AS PART OF THE 2045 GENERAL PLAN  
RESET PROJECT.**

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**WHEREAS**, in July 2023 the City Council of the City of San Carlos approved a Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks for consulting services to prepare an update to the 2030 General Plan and an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), altogether referred to as the “2045 General Plan Reset Project”, to reset the development projections to the year 2045 for citywide commercial, office, industrial and residential uses in response to the continued development interest in the City’s East side and two new Specific Plans underway in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the San Carlos 2045 General Plan Reset project includes these interrelated documents: the San Carlos 2030 General Plan with proposed amendments to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element; and associated Draft EIR and Final EIR which together constitute the EIR for the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the focus of this resolution relates to amendments to the San Carlos General Plan’s Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element; and

**WHEREAS**, the City prepared the revised development projections to the year 2045 to inform the General Plan update and on June 3, 2024 released a Notice of Preparation of EIR and solicited public input from June 3, 2024, to July 3, 2024 on the scope of EIR; and

**WHEREAS**, the City conducted stakeholder group meetings between September 2024 and October 2024 to solicit input on the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed General Plan amendments to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element and the Draft EIR was prepared for the proposed 2045 General Plan Reset Project and circulated for a 45-day public review from January 17, 2025, to March 3, 2025 to solicit agency and public input on the analysis of the potential environmental effects associated with the implementation of the project and amendments to the General Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 3, 2025, the City conducted a Public Hearing at the Planning and Transportation Commission’s regular meeting to present the proposed General Plan amendments and findings of Draft EIR and solicit input from the public and Planning and Transportation Commission on the project; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2025, the City Council held a Study Session to review the proposed General Plan amendments to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation

Element, and Noise Element and provided comments to the staff; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the California Government Code Section 65300 et seq., the amendments made to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element have been developed to be comprehensive, internally consistent, long-term, and to address State law requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of San Carlos referred the proposed amendments to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element to all California Native American tribes on the contact list provided by the Native American Heritage Commission and to other entities listed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Transportation Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing on the San Carlos 2045 General Plan Reset project on May 5, 2025 and adopted PTC Resolution No. 2025- 06 recommending that the City Council adopt proposed amendments to the Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to CEQA, the Planning and Transportation Commission has recommended that the City Council certify the 2045 General Plan Reset EIR as adequate and complete in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, and as adequate and complete for consideration in making a decision on the merits of amendments to the 2030 City of San Carlos' General Plan's Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element; and further recommends to the City Council that based on the findings set forth in the PTC Resolution No. 2025 - 05 adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations; and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FOUND, DETERMINED AND RESOLVED BY THE SAN CARLOS CITY COUNCIL THAT:**

1. Findings

- a. The above recitals are incorporated by reference.
- b. The amendments to the 2030 City of San Carlos' General Plan's Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element, and uphold the 2009 San Carlos General Plan as a comprehensive, long-term document capable of guiding the future development of the City.
- c. The amendments to the 2030 City of San Carlos' General Plan's Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element meets all the requirements for such plans as contained in the Planning and Zoning Law (Government Code, sections 65300-65303.4) and other laws.

2. Adoption

- a. The City Council adopts the amendments to the 2030 City of San Carlos' General Plan's Introduction, Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, Parks and Recreation Element, and Noise Element as set forth in Exhibit A. A glossary of page references of amendments is included in Exhibit B and a summary of policy and action item amendments is included in Exhibit C.

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I, City Clerk Crystal Mui, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Carlos at a scheduled meeting thereof held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025, by the following vote:

**AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS:**

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**NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS:**

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**ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS:**

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**CITY CLERK** of the City of San Carlos

APPROVED:

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**MAYOR** of the City of San Carlos

Exhibits:

- A. Amendments to General Plan
- B. Glossary of Page References
- C. GPA Summary