

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-42

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HESPERIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CITY'S 2010 GENERAL PLAN FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) IN SUPPORT OF THE 2025 CIRCULATION ELEMENT.

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2010, the City Council of the City of Hesperia adopted Resolution No. 2010-057 certifying the Final EIR for the City's 2010 General Plan, which also remains applicable to development within the City; and

WHEREAS, fifteen years have passed since the City of Hesperia adopted the 2010 General Plan and changes to the City's size and population, as well as new laws, regulations, and circumstances that did not exist when the original General Plan was adopted, require an update to the General Plan described herein (hereinafter referred to as "2025 General Plan Update"); and

WHEREAS, the 2025 General Plan Update is a focused update to three mandatory elements required by the State of California, including Land Use, Circulation and Health and Safety Elements; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-28, certifying an Addendum to the 2010 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and Resolution No. 2025-29, adopting the updated Land Use and Health and Safety Elements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now intends to approve the Circulation Element as part of the 2025 General Plan Update (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Addendum has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 to evaluate whether the proposed 2025 Circulation Element would result in any new significant impacts, substantially more severe impacts, or trigger the need for a subsequent or supplemental EIR under Sections 15162 or 15163; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 General Plan EIR identified significant and unavoidable impacts to air quality, noise, and traffic; however, the significant and unavoidable impacts pertaining to traffic would no longer apply, as Level of Service (LOS) was replaced with Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) per Senate Bill 743 (SB 743) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.3, and VMT has been determined to be the applicable metric for analyzing transportation impacts under CEQA, thereby rendering LOS-based impacts no longer applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum to the 2010 General Plan EIR reflects this change in CEQA law and confirms that this transition from LOS to VMT does not result in new or more severe environmental effects; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum concludes that all impacts remain within the scope of analysis in the certified 2010 General Plan EIR, and that none of the criteria in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 or Section 15163 are met; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2025, the Planning Commission of the City of Hesperia conducted a duly noticed public hearing pertaining to the Addendum to the 2010 General Plan EIR in connection with the 2025 General Plan Update and concluded said hearing on that date; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2025, the City Council of the City of Hesperia conducted a public hearing pertaining to the 2025 General Plan Update, adopted the updated Land Use and Health and Safety Elements, and concluded said hearing on that date; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2025, the City Council of the City of Hesperia conducted a public hearing pertaining to the 2025 Circulation Element and concluded said hearing on that date; and

WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF HESPERIA CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council hereby specifically finds that all of the facts set forth in this Resolution are true and correct.

Section 2. Based upon substantial evidence presented to this City Council during the above referenced October 21, 2025, hearing, including public testimony and written and oral staff reports, this City Council specifically finds as follows:

- (a) An Addendum to the 2010 General Plan EIR has been prepared for the 2025 Circulation Element. The 2025 Circulation Element qualifies for an Addendum under CEQA Guidelines Section 15164, as the proposed project is consistent with the scope of the 2010 General Plan EIR and does not meet any of the conditions outlined in Section 15162(a) and Section 15163(a) of the CEQA Guidelines, that would require preparation of a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR. The environmental impacts remain within the range analyzed in the 2010 General Plan EIR, and no new significant impacts or substantial increases in the severity of impacts have been identified. Therefore, preparation of a full Subsequent EIR is not warranted, and the Addendum process is both appropriate and compliant with CEQA requirements.
- (b) The City Council has independently reviewed and analyzed the Addendum and finds that it reflects the independent judgement of the City Council, and that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record, that the project may result in new significant impacts or substantial increases in the severity of impacts that were previously identified.

Section 3. Based on the findings and conclusions set forth in this Resolution, the City Council hereby certifies the Addendum to the 2010 General Plan EIR as being complete pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-42.

Section 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of October 2025

Allison Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jessica Giber, Assistant City Clerk