

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR VERIFICATION OF ADDRESS FOR COMMISSION APPLICANTS

WHEREAS, in 2024, the City Council placed a measure on the November 5, 2024, General Municipal Election to amend the Charter to allow residents of Watsonville who are not registered to vote the opportunity be appointed to City commissions.; and

WHEREAS, the Measure (Measure V) passed by a majority vote, allowing City residents not registered to vote to be considered for appointment to all City commissions; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk is tasked with verifying that applicants reside within City limits.

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

1. This action is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq. and the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000 et. seq.), including without limitation, Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations 15378 as this is not a “project” that may cause a direct, or reasonably foreseeable indirect, physical change in the environment and because the action constitutes organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Additionally, even if a “project,” the action would be exempt under the “common sense” exception (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can

be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment.

2. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to verify that applicants reside within City limits by accepting an application with an affidavit of residency signed by the applicant and/or require submittal of any of the following documents:

- a. Proof of Registered Voter Status
- b. Provide a driver's license or State issued Identification
- c. Property Tax Receipt
- d. Utility Bills (electricity, water, gas)
- e. Cable or Telephone Bill
