# CITY OF WATSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

## **EXHIBIT "A"**

Application No: n/a

APN: n/a Applicant: n/a

Hearing Date: October 26, 2021

#### **CEQA FINDINGS**

### I. INTRODUCTION TO CEQA FINDINGS

These Findings of Fact are made pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code §21000 et seq., CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs. title 14, §15000 et seq.) by the City of Watsonville (City), as the lead agency for the CAAP and General Plan Text Amendment (or the project). These Findings of Fact pertain to the Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) (State Clearinghouse No. 2021090075) prepared for the project.

### II. LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF THE RECORD

The documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which the City of Watsonville's Findings of Fact are based are located at 250 Main Street, Watsonville, California. The custodian of these documents is Alex Yasbek, PE, Senior Civil Engineer. This information is provided in compliance with Public Resources Code § 21081.6(a)(2) and 14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15074(c).

For purposes of CEQA and these Findings of Fact, the Record of Proceedings for the project consists of the following documents, at a minimum:

- The Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt a Negative Declaration and all other public notices issued by the City of Watsonville and in conjunction with the project.
- The Initial Study, including appendices and technical studies included or referenced in the Initial Study, for the project.
- All comments submitted by agencies or members of the public during the public comment period on the Initial Study.
- All comments and correspondence submitted to the City of Watsonville with respect to the project.
- All Findings and resolutions adopted by the City of Watsonville decision makers in connection with the project and all documents cited or referred to therein.
- All reports, studies, memoranda, maps, staff reports, or other planning documents relating to the project prepared by Harris & Associates, consultant to the City of Watsonville.
- All reports, memoranda, documentation, data output files relating to GHG reductions and the land use and transportation modeling for the project.
- All documents and information submitted to the City of Watsonville by responsible, trustee, or other public agencies, or by individuals or organizations, in connection

- with the project, up through the date the City of Watsonville decision makers approved the project.
- Matters of common knowledge to the City of Watsonville, including, but not limited to federal, State, and local laws and regulations.
- Any documents expressly cited in these Findings of Fact, in addition to those cited above.

## III. NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The City of Watsonville decision makers finds that the proposed project could not have a significant effect on the environment. There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the lead agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment (Public Resources Code, § 21080(c)(1); CEQA Guidelines, § 15074).