

Application No: n/a

APN: n/a

Applicant: City of Watsonville

Hearing Date: January 19, 2021

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT FINDINGS (WMC § 14-12.708)

- 1. The proposed amendment is consistent with the policies embodied in the General Plan.**

Supportive Evidence

The proposed text amendment is in harmony with the overall intent of the Safety Element to minimize exposure to dangerous conditions resulting from seismic and other geological hazards, flooding, urban and wildland fires. In addition, the proposed text amendment is consistent with and implement further the following General Plan goals and policies concerning emergency preparedness:

- **Goal 12.7 Emergency Preparedness** – Anticipate the potential for disasters; maintain continuity of life-support functions during an emergency; and maximize efforts for post-emergency recovery.
- **Policy 12.L Emergency Preparedness** – The City shall be prepared to maintain critical public services during emergency situations.

- 2. That the proposed amendment is compatible to the extent possible with the actual and general planned use of the adjacent properties.**

Supportive Evidence

The proposed text amendment will incorporate the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan into the 2005 General Plan, thus requiring that hazards within the community can be identified and profiled in order to take actions that will minimize or eliminate those identified risks. The proposed text amendment will serve to help minimize the exposure of people and property to dangerous conditions in the City.