

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. _____
SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTION NO. _____
FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORP RESOLUTION NO. _____

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AND THE FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 33445 OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT LAW, AUTHORIZING THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY’S INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CENTRAL CITY COMMERCIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION WORK ON HEDGES AVENUE BETWEEN ABBY AND EFFIE, ON EFFIE AVENUE BETWEEN HEDGES AND HAMMOND, AND ON HAMMOND AVENUE BETWEEN EFFIE AND ABBY.

WHEREAS, on July 19, 1999, the Council of the City of Fresno (the “Council”) by Ordinance No. 99-46, adopted the redevelopment plan (the “Plan”) for the Central City Commercial Revitalization Redevelopment Project (the “Project Area”), pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Law of California (Health & Safety Code Sections 33000 *et. seq.*) (the "Law"); and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2011, the Agency adopted Resolution 1776, approving the Five-Year Implementation Plan for the Project Area (the “Implementation Plan”); and

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2012, the Council adopted Resolution 2012- 12, electing to have the City of Fresno serve as the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno (“RDA”) upon the dissolution of the RDA; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency is engaged in activities necessary to carry out the Plan, and the Plan authorizes the RDA, and by extension the Successor Agency, to: (i) install, construct or reconstruct public improvements or facilities to eliminate blight, (ii) cause or provide for installing or constructing utilities and other public improvements necessary to carry out the Plan, and (iii) specifically includes street improvements associated with plan implementation; and

WHEREAS, June 29, 1999, by Council Resolution No. 99-45 and Agency Resolution No. 1657, relating to the Plan, Council adopted a Program Environmental Impact Report that addressed, among other things, the development of new public improvements pursuant to the Plan, and demolition of existing improvements; and

WHEREAS, the existing condition of Abby and Hedges Avenues hinder traffic circulation and the proposed project will include concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk and drive approaches and reconstruction of roadway; and

WHEREAS, the Project improvements will alleviate traffic hindrances that have plagued this area, improve the traffic flow and increase public safety on Abby and Hedges (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of the project and determined that it falls within the Class 1 of the CEQA Guidelines, section 15301, as this project involves the repair and replacement of existing infrastructure, and none of the exceptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines, section 15300.2 apply to this Project; and

WHEREAS, the inability of the City to undertake this Project without the involvement of the Successor Agency relates to the limited funding ability of the City’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 33445 of the Redevelopment Law the Successor Agency, with the consent of the Council and upon certain Council determinations, may pay for the cost to install and construct publicly owned improvements within and outside the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno, the Successor Agency, and the Fresno Revitalization Corporation, after due consideration, believe that the Successor Agency's costs, estimated at \$252,831.88, to construct the Project, is in the best interests of the City and health, safety, and welfare of employees, businesses, property, and visitors to the Project Area, and is consistent with the public purposes and provisions of applicable state and local laws; and will improve the quality of life for residents, visitors to, and businesses and properties within the Project Area, consistent with the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Fresno, the Successor Agency, and the Fresno Revitalization Corporation as follows:

1. Based upon substantial evidence provided in the record before it, the City of Fresno, the Successor Agency, and the Fresno Revitalization Corporation find and determine the following:

Finding No. 1.1: Constructing the Project within the Project Area will help improve the traffic circulation, streetscapes and image of the Project Area, is necessary to achieve the purposes of, and is consistent with, the Plan, and will benefit the Project Area.

Finding No. 1.2: Installing the Project will help eliminate blight within the Project Area in the immediate vicinity of the Project, and within the overall Project Area, by increasing

efficient traffic flow, and improving traffic safety and enhancing the area for private investment and upgrading and improving the image of the area.

Finding No. 1.3: The Project is consistent with the Implementation Plan.

Finding No. 1.4: Using tax increment for the Project is essential and necessary, as no other reasonable means of financing the Project are available to the City of Fresno.

2. The Council consents to the Successor Agency expending tax increment to install and construct the Project, and consents to the Successor Agency award of a contract for the Project.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO)
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk, hereby certify that the City of Fresno, the Successor Agency, and the Fresno Revitalization Corporation, adopted the foregoing resolution at a joint public meeting held on the _____ day of October, 2014, and that the same was passed by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

YVONNE SPENCE
City Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Successor Agency

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Douglas Sloan
City Attorney and Ex-Officio Attorney
to the Successor Agency

By _____
Sr. Deputy