RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, DIRECTING STAFF TO CREATE A SPECIFIC PLAN FOR DEVELOPING LAND WITHIN THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE OF THE CITY OF FRESNO LOCATED WEST OF HIGHWAY 99 AND NORTH OF CLINTON AVENUE; AND PREPARE AND RETURN TO COUNCIL WITH A RESOLUTION OF INITIATION AND NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR FUNDING WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.

WHEREAS, the Fresno General Plan was adopted by Resolution No. 2014-226 on December 19, 2014;

WHEREAS, the Fresno General Plan recognizes that the area generally located west of State Route 99, east of Garfield Avenue and north of Highway 180, and more commonly referred to as the West Development Area, provides many opportunities for the development of Complete Neighborhoods as envisioned by the Fresno General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the West Shaw Avenue Corridor and Transit Village, the Grantland Avenue Transit Village, and the Grantland-East Communities are all included in the West Development Area in the Fresno General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the West Development Area in its entirety is intended to include a mixture of residential uses of varying densities, employment uses, civic uses, school uses, and park space, as well as incorporating mixed-use areas; and

WHEREAS, the Grantland-East Communities are intended to develop via Concept Plans; and

WHEREAS, the area west of Highway 99 and north of Clinton Avenue is contained within the West Development Area; and

WHEREAS, the variety of uses and intensities that can be developed in the area west of Highway 99 and north of Clinton Avenue will benefit from the comprehensive advanced planning configurations provided by a Specific Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Fresno hereby directs the Director of the Development and Resource Management Department to:

1. Determine the feasibility of preparing a Specific Plan for the area west of Highway 99 and north of Clinton Avenue, to be identified as the "River West Area," excluding areas identified for inclusion in other specific plans, and identify the resources and timelines necessary to do so.

2. Return to Council, within thirty days, with a Resolution of Initiation to begin the process of preparing what is to be referred to as the River West Specific Plan, excluding areas that are identified for inclusion in other specific plans, pursuant to Section 12-606 of the Fresno Municipal Code, as may be amended, and with necessary appropriations for funding.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss. CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____, 2015.

AYES : NOES ABSENT : ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval:	, 2015
Mayor Approval/No Return:	, 2015
Mayor Veto:	, 2015
Council Override Vote:	, 2015

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC City Clerk

BY:_____ Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DOUGLAS T. SLOAN CITY ATTORNEY

BY:

Talia Kolluri-Barbick Date Senior Deputy City Attorney

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