

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT IN THE SOUTH INDUSTRIAL PRIORITY
AREA EIR

WHEREAS, the City has begun work on an Environmental Impact Report (“EIR”) for the development of the South Industrial Priority Area (“SIPA”) Specific Plan (“SP”); and

WHEREAS the SIPA SP’s boundaries are depicted in Figure IM-1 of the 2035 General Plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the draft SIPA SP is a compilation of certain policies from existing City plans; and

WHEREAS, the SIPA encompasses and adjoins incorporated and unincorporated residential neighborhoods and communities, as well as elementary schools and religious institutions; and

WHEREAS the neighborhoods and communities within and adjacent to the SIPA are impacted by high levels of poverty and unemployment and a lack of high-quality jobs with opportunities for career advancement; and

WHEREAS, disadvantaged unincorporated communities and neighborhoods located within and adjacent to the SIPA lack basic municipal infrastructure; and

WHEREAS the 2035 General Plan Land Use and Circulation Map applies the Heavy Industrial land use designation to parcels occupied by and adjacent to residential, elementary school, religious, and commercial land uses; and

WHEREAS the City wishes to obtain input from residents who live within and near the SIPA and other key stakeholders to inform development of the specific plan in order to develop a vision, land use changes and policies that: 1) avoid and minimize adverse impacts to existing sensitive land uses from new development and ensure a decent quality of life and a healthy environment for residents of existing neighborhoods and communities within and near the SIPA; 2) As a separate process, study standards and procedures for annexation of existing neighborhoods and communities in and near the SIPA; and 3) facilitate and promote economic development that advances community priorities relating to industry type, employment opportunities, job quality and community benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Council of Fresno desire that the Specific Plan shall strongly consider reductions in the zoning intensity of undeveloped lands near to sensitive uses such as residences, schools and religious institutions; and
2. The Mayor and City Council of Fresno also desire that the plan should consider new land use policies specific to the plan area and environmental mitigation measures reflective of community input; and
3. The City desires that residents and stakeholders in and adjacent to the plan area shall inform the South Industrial Priority Area Specific Plan to the greatest extent feasible, through an inclusive community engagement process including stakeholders and community residents.

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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 _____ day of _____ 2019.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2019
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2019
Mayor Veto: _____, 2019
Council Override Vote: _____, 2019

YVONNE SPENCE, MMC CRM
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOUGLAS T. SLOAN
City Attorney

By: _____
Katie Doerr Date
Chief Assistant