RESOLUTION NO. 164-19 (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING THE DOWNTOWN WATSONVILLE COMPLETE STREETS PLAN – OCTOBER 4, 2019; DIRECTING STAFF TO PROCEED WITH A TRAFFIC STUDY IN COORDINATION WITH THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN; AND DIRECTING STAFF TO RETURN WITH A PHASE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE NOT CONTINGENT WITH A TRAFFIC STUDY

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 143-17 (CM) accepting a $225,583 Sustainable Communities Grant from Caltrans to develop the City of Watsonville Complete Streets Plan in the City’s downtown core area in partnership with the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission and Caltrans; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Watsonville Complete Streets Plan will focus on developing a safe and comfortable network of well integrated multimodal transportation facilities to accommodate and welcome all types of users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit riders and motorist; and

WHEREAS, early project outreach to the community in Spring 2018 included presence at various community events and stakeholder meetings; and

WHEREAS, a survey was developed to capture input at these events and was also promoted and made available online on the City’s website; and

WHEREAS, visual concepts, a 3D virtual reality component and a follow-up survey were shared in summer 2018 at over a dozen venues as well as online; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2019, a Preferred Draft Plan was presented to Council reflective of the community’s preferences based upon the information gathered in the surveys; and
**WHEREAS**, staff was directed to proceed with finalizing the plan and asked to continue to do outreach to the community and solicit feedback on the plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Downtown Watsonville Complete Streets Plan – October 4, 2019, be, and is hereby accepted and approved, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

2. That City staff is hereby directed to proceed with a Traffic Study, in coordination with the Downtown Specific Plan.

3. That City staff is hereby directed to return with a Phase Implementation Plan of improvements that are not contingent with a Traffic Study.

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The foregoing resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Watsonville, held on the 22nd day of October, 2019, by Member Hernandez, who moved its adoption, which motion being duly seconded by Member Gonzalez, was upon roll call carried and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

AYES:            COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Coffman-Gomez, Garcia, Gonzalez, Hernandez Hurst, Parker, Estrada

NOES:            COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None

ABSENT:          COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None

Francisco Estrada, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Date  Oct 25, 2019

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

I, Beatriz Vázquez Flores, City Clerk of the City of Watsonville, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 164-19 (CM) was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the Watsonville City Council at a meeting thereof held on the 22nd day of October, 2019, and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of said Resolution.

Beatriz Vázquez Flores, City Clerk

Date  Oct 25, 2019