

# RESOLUTION NO. 2011-218

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

April 12, 2011

## ADOPTING THE SWANSTON STATION TRANSIT VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN (M09-020)

### BACKGROUND

- A. On March 10, 2011 the City Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on, and forwarded to the City Council a recommendation to approve the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan.
- B. On April 12, 2011 the City Council conducted a public hearing, for which notice was given pursuant Sacramento City Code Section 2.112.110, and received and considered evidence concerning the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan.

### **BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Based on the verbal and documentary evidence received at the hearing on the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan, the City Council makes the following findings:

- A. Environmental Determination: The Environmental Impact Report and Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan have been adopted by Resolution No. 2011-XXX.
- B. The Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan conforms to the requirements of Government Code section 65451 by specifying, in detail, all of the following:
  - 1. The distribution, location, and extent of uses of land, including open space;
  - 2. The proposed distribution, location, and extent and intensity of the major components of essential public facilities and infrastructure proposed for the Plan area and needed to support the identified land uses;
  - 3. Standards and criteria by which development will proceed;

4. A program for implementation measures, including financing measures, to carry out the Plan.
- C. The Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan is consistent with the Sacramento 2030 General Plan and promotes several city policies including: Smart Growth, Infill, the City's Strategic Plan, and the Budget/Capital Improvement Program by increasing development opportunities adjacent to a light rail station; creating policy and vision for the redevelopment of a blighted and underutilized area; encouraging compact, higher density development with a mix of land uses; utilizing existing infrastructure; and refining development guidelines to support mobility and promote pedestrian and bicycle activity.

The following are key Sacramento 2030 General Plan policies furthered by the approval of the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan:

The City shall manage the use of transportation right-of-ways by all travel modes, consistent with the goal to provide Complete Streets, as described in Goal M 4.2. (M 1.1.1 Right-of-Ways)

The City shall promote development of an integrated, multi-modal transportation system that offers attractive choices among modes including pedestrianways, public transportation, roadways, bikeways, rail, waterways, and aviation and reduces air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. (M 1.2.1 Multimodal Choices) The City shall promote the provision of multimodal access to activity centers such as commercial centers and corridors, employment centers, transit stops/stations, airports, schools, parks, recreation areas, and tourist attractions. (M 1.2.3 Multimodal Access)

The City shall eliminate "gaps" in roadways, bikeways, and pedestrian networks. (M 1.3.3 Eliminate Gaps)

The City shall remove barriers, where feasible, to allow people of all abilities to have access within and among infrastructure serving the community. (M 1.3.4 Barrier Removal for Accessibility)

The City shall provide connections to transit stations by identifying roadway, bikeway, and pedestrianway improvements to be constructed within ½ mile of major transit stations. Transportation improvements in the vicinity of major transit stations shall emphasize the development of complete streets. (M 1.3.5 Connections to Transit Stations)

The City shall develop a cohesive pedestrian network of public sidewalks and street crossings that makes walking a convenient and safe way to travel. (M 2.1.4 Cohesive Network)

The City shall ensure that new buildings are designed to engage the street and encourage walking through design features such as placing the building with entrances facing the street and providing connections to

sidewalks. (M 2.1.6 Building Design)

The City shall support a well-designed transit system that meets the transportation needs of Sacramento residents and visitors including seniors, the disabled, and transit-dependent persons. The City shall enhance bicycle and pedestrian access to stations. (M 3.1.1 Transit for All)

The City shall evaluate and strive to balance impacts to the community and the environment with economic development goals when adding or modifying roads and bridges. (M 4.1.2 Balancing Community Impacts with Economic Development Goals)

The City shall identify existing and new bridges that can be built, widened, or restriped to add pedestrian and/or bicycle facilities. (M 4.2.4 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities on Bridges)

The City shall provide bikeway facilities that are appropriate to the street classifications and type, traffic volume, and speed on all right-of-ways. (M 5.1.2 Appropriate Bikeway Facilities)

The City shall develop safe and convenient bikeways that reduce conflicts between bicyclists and motor vehicles on streets, and bicyclists and pedestrians on multi-use trails and sidewalks. (M 5.1.4 Motorists, Bicyclists, and Pedestrian Conflicts)

Section 2. The City Council adopts the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan as attached in Exhibit A.

Section 3. Exhibit A is a part of this Resolution.

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Exhibit A - Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan

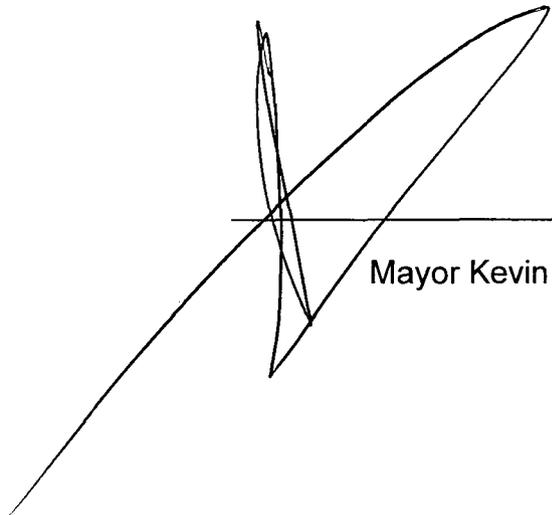
Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on April 12, 2011 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Ashby, Cohn, D Fong, R Fong, McCarty, Pannell, Schenirer, Sheedy, and Mayor Johnson.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.



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Mayor Kevin Johnson

Attest:



Shirley Concolino, City Clerk