

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-220

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

April 12, 2011

DESIGNATING PORTIONS OF THE SWANSTON STATION TRANSIT VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN AREA AS A TRANSIT VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND DECLARING THE SWANSTON STATION TRANSIT VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN AS A TRANSIT VILLAGE PLAN

BACKGROUND

- A. California's Transit Village Development Planning Act of 1994 ("Act"), Government Code section 65460 et seq., was enacted to promote transit ridership within the state and to reduce vehicle traffic on highways. To achieve this goal, the Act allows cities to designate certain areas as transit village development districts and to adopt transit village plans for the districts. Cities establishing transit village development districts and adopting such plans are eligible for increased transportation funding and assistance from the Office of Permit Assistance to establish an expedited permit process.
- B. Government Code section 65460.4 states that Transit Village Development Districts is limited to land within quarter mile of a transit station.
- C. A transit village plan may be prepared for each transit village development district that the City designates. Section 65460.2 of the Government Code requires transit village plans to feature several characteristics, including: (a) a neighborhood centered around a transit station that is planned and designed so that residents, workers, shoppers, and others find it convenient and attractive to patronize transit; (b) other land uses, including a retail district oriented to the transit station and civic uses; (c) pedestrian and bicycle access to the transit station; (d) a transit system that should encourage and facilitate intermodal service, and access by modes other than single occupant vehicles; and (e) at least five demonstrable public benefits beyond the increase in transit usage.
- D. The Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan meets twelve of the thirteen public benefit criteria identified in Government Code section 65460.2(f) in order to be designated as a transit village plan as follows: 1) Relief of traffic congestion, 2) Improved air quality, 3) Increased transit revenue yields, 4) Increased stock of affordable housing, 5) Live-travel options for transit-needy groups, 6) Promotion of infill development and preservation of natural resources, 7) Promotion of a safe, attractive, pedestrian-friendly environment around transit stations, 8) Reduction of the need for additional travel by providing for the sale of goods and services at transit stations, 9) Promotion of job opportunities, 10) Improved cost-effectiveness through the use of the existing infrastructure, 11) Increased sales and property tax revenue, 12) Reduction in energy consumption

- E. The Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan serving also as the adopted Transit Village Plan is consistent with the City's General Plan specifically promoting Infill Development Policy LU 1.1.5 and Transit-Oriented Development Policy LU 5.5.2.

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

- Section 1. All that land within the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan area that is not more than a quarter mile from the Swanston light rail station, as shown in Exhibit A, is hereby designated the Swanston Station Transit Village Development District pursuant to the Transit Village Development Planning Act of 1994 (Government Code section 65460 et seq.).
- Section 2. In accordance with the California Transit Village Development Planning Act of 1994, the City Council declares that the Swanston Station Transit Village Specific Plan has been prepared to satisfy the requirements of Government Code Section 65460.2, and therefore shall serve as the transit village plan for the newly established Swanston Station Transit Village Development District.
- Section 3. Exhibit A is a part of this Resolution.

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Exhibit A – Map

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.

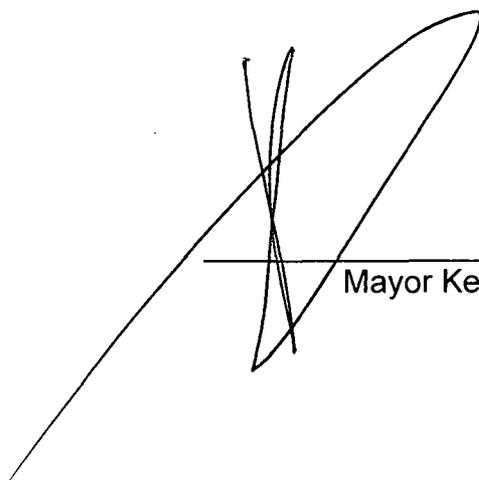
Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

Attest:


Shirley Concolino, City Clerk



Mayor Kevin Johnson

