

Notice of Determination

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To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research

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From: LEAD AGENCY: City of Santa Cruz

Planning and Community Development Dept.

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Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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☒ County Clerk

c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

County of Santa Cruz

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Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: **Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or Section 21152 of the Public Resources Code**

State Clearinghouse Number: 2022090276

Project Title: Santa Cruz Downtown Plan Expansion

Project Applicant: City of Santa Cruz

Project Location: Downtown area of City of Santa Cruz south of Laurel Street within Santa Cruz County

Project Description: The project consists of a series of amendments to the City's Downtown Plan by extending the boundary of the existing Downtown Plan to incorporate the South of Laurel Area into the Downtown Plan boundary, to incorporate development standards and design guidelines for the project area and add other policies and standards to the City's Downtown Plan that will facilitate future redevelopment of the project area. The project also includes amendments to the City's General Plan 2030, the Local Coastal Program, the Beach and South of Laurel Comprehensive Area Plan, and the Municipal Code to provide updates consistent with the amendments to the Downtown Plan, including land use designation amendments for some parcels and zone district amendments for all parcels in the project area. Implementation of the project would facilitate additional development as a result of various circulation, land use and infrastructure revisions.

This is to advise that the City of Santa Cruz as ☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on May 13, 2025 [DATE] and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project ☒ will ☐ will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An environmental impact report (EIR) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☒ were ☐ were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☒ was ☐ was not adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations ☒ was ☐ was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings ☒ were ☐ were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or Negative Declaration, is available to the general public at: the offices of the City of Santa Cruz Planning and Community Development Department, 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Sarah Neuse

Signature (Public Agency)

THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A
Title

Date: _____

Date Received for filing at OPR/County

05/15/2025

AND ENDING 06/21/2025