RESOLUTION 2001-05

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE ADOPTING THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE LEWIS STEIN ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, AND APPROVING THE LEWIS STEIN ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT

Whereas, the Lewis Stein Road Extension Project (project) was previously considered by the City of Elk Grove General Plan and the Lower Laguna Creek Master Plan at a conceptual level; and

Whereas, the City of Elk Grove (City), as part of the accommodating increased traffic volumes as a result of planned growth, is planning to improve and extend Lewis Stein Road from West Stockton Boulevard to Big Horn Boulevard; and

Whereas, the City determined that the Lewis Stein Road Extension Project was subject to the California Environmental Quality Act and prepared an initial study evaluating the potential environmental effects of the project; and

Whereas, the City determined that revisions to the proposed project would mitigate the environmental effects of the project and that a Negative Declaration should be prepared; and

Whereas, the City distributed a Notice of Intent to adopt the Negative Declaration on December 13, 2000 that was posted at the Sacramento County Clerk's Office and at the City of Elk Grove offices, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15072. A 30-day review and comment period was opened on December 13, 2000 and closed on January 12, 2001. The Negative Declaration was made available to the public during this review period; and

Whereas, the City received four written comment letters within the 30-day public review period and responded to those comments in the project staff report; and

Whereas, the City held a public meeting on February 7, 2001 to receive final comment on the Negative Declaration; and

Whereas, the Elk Grove City Council intends to make certain findings in compliance with CEQA, which are more fully set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Elk Grove City Council as follows:

1. Adoption of the Negative Declaration

A. The City Council finds that the Negative Declaration was presented to the City Council, that the City Council has reviewed the Negative Declaration prepared for the project, all staff reports pertaining to the project, and all other pertinent documents relating to the preparation of

the Negative Declaration and all comments received there on, and that the Negative Declaration has been prepared and completed in compliance with CEQA.

- B. The City Council finds that on the basis of the Negative Declaration, comments received, and the whole record that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
- C. The City Council finds that the Negative Declaration reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis.
- 2. Adoption of Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
- A. The City Council hereby adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, as set forth in the project staff report.
- B. The City Council hereby finds that the proposed mitigation measures described in the Negative Declaration are feasible, and therefore will become binding upon the City and its construction contractors.

3. Approval of the Project

Having independently reviewed, analyzed, and adopted the Negative Declaration, adopted mitigation measures set forth in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, the City Council hereby approves the Lewis Stein Road Extension Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove on this 7th day of February 2001.

ATTEST:

Peggy Jackson, City Clerk

JAMES COOPER, Mayor of the

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City of Elk Grove

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Arthony Manzanetti, City Attorney

Ayes: Unanimous Vote: BRIGGS, LEARY, SCHERMAN, SOARES, COOPER

Noes: Absent: Abstain: