

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL PLAN TO UPDATE THE HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY LIST IN APPENDIX 8.9 OF THE GENERAL PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, a General Plan Amendment is required to update the Historic Resource Inventory List in Appendix 8.9 of the General Plan;

**WHEREAS**, the amendment will list new properties that have been added to the Historic Resource Inventory by the City Council and update existing properties with more recent information;

**WHEREAS**, on November 10, 2010, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 10-7797 certifying the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 2010-2035 General Plan, which discusses General Plan Policy 5.6.1-P10 to “[u]pdate and maintain the City’s list of Architecturally or Historically Significant Properties”;

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara City Charter Section 1007 requires that the Planning Commission provide input to the City Council on any proposed General Plan Amendment;

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 65353 requires the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing prior to making a recommendation on the General Plan Amendment;

**WHEREAS**, on December 24, 2025, a notice of the public hearing on the proposed General Plan Amendment was published in the Santa Clara Weekly, a newspaper of general circulation for the City, for the Planning Commission Hearing to be conducted on January 14, 2026, and for the City Council Hearing to be conducted on February 24, 2026;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission has reviewed the General Plan Amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 14, 2026, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the proposed General Plan amendment during which the Planning Commission

invited and considered any and all verbal and written testimony and evidence offered in favor and in opposition to the General Plan Amendment.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Planning Commission hereby finds that the above Recitals are true and correct and by this reference makes them a part hereof.
2. That the Planning Commission finds and determines that the General Plan Amendment is in the interest of the public good for the following reasons:
  - A. The proposed Amendment is deemed to be in the public interest, in that the update is consistent with the General Plan policy 5.6.1-P2 to protect the historic integrity of designated historic properties and General Plan policy 5.6.1-P10 to update and maintain the City's list of Architecturally or Historically Significant Properties; and
  - B. The proposed General Plan Amendment is consistent and compatible with the rest of the General Plan and any implementation programs that may be affected, in that the Historic Resources Inventory is already an appendix to the General Plan, and General Plan Policy 5.6.1-P10 expressly directs City staff to periodically update the Historic Resources Inventory
  - C. The proposed amendment has been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of the California Government Code and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in that General Plan Policy 5.6.1-P10 to update and maintain the Historic Resource Inventory was discussed in the 2010-2035 General Plan EIR and pursuant to Section 15168(c)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines, the update to the Historic Resource Inventory falls within the scope of the 2010-2035 General Plan EIR; and
  - D. The potential impacts of the proposed General Plan Amendment have been assessed and have been determined not to be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, in that the proposed Amendment would merely continue the existing land uses on the affected properties. The impacts of updating the Historic Resource Inventory have been disclosed

through the CEQA process, and the Planning Commission has determined that any impacts from the proposed revisions remain within the scope of the General Plan EIR.

3. The Planning Commission hereby recommends that the City Council amend Appendix 8.9 ("Historic Preservation and Resource Inventory") of the General Plan by replacing it in its entirety with Revised Appendix 8.9, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. The Revised Appendix adds properties approved by City Council to be added to the Historic Resource Inventory and updates existing properties with more recent information.

4. Effective date. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF HELD ON THE 14 DAY OF JANUARY, 2026, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS:

NOES: COMMISSIONERS:

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS:

ABSTAINED: COMMISSIONERS:

ATTEST:

AFSHAN HAMID  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments Incorporated by Reference:

1. General Plan Revised Appendix 8.9\_Clean
2. General Plan Revised Appendix 8.9\_Markup

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