



DATE: July 1, 2014

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Community Development

TITLE: **2030 General Plan Environmental Impact Report Addendum (June 2014)**

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution Adopting an Addendum to the City of Mountain View 2030 General Plan and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR), to be read in title only, further reading waived (Attachment to the Council report).

BACKGROUND

Since certification by the City Council of the General Plan EIR in 2012, refinements and revisions to the water infrastructure demand model identified additional Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects in addition to those contained in the EIR. The purpose of the Addendum to the 2012 EIR is to identify any additional environmental impacts of the changes to the water infrastructure CIP beyond what was evaluated in the previously certified EIR.

ANALYSIS

On July 10, 2012, the City Council adopted the 2030 General Plan, a comprehensive update to the City of Mountain View 1992 General Plan, along with a City-wide Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program (GGRP). The City Council also certified the accompanying EIR.

Since the certification of the EIR, the City has been implementing the General Plan and GGRP. The City has also proceeded with ongoing analysis of infrastructure needs as necessary to accommodate planned development as evaluated in the EIR. This analysis includes updates to the water infrastructure model which have resulted in the identification of additional CIP projects.

The 2010 Water Master Plan (WMP) proposed water pipeline improvements based upon the City distribution system's ability to meet both maximum day demand with fire flow and peak-hour demand operational scenarios, while satisfying the established design criteria. The majority of the recommended system improvements were due to existing fire flow deficiencies, requiring replacement and upsizing of water pipes. A prioritized list of 44 projects was included in the General Plan Update Utility Impact Study prepared for evaluation in the EIR, allowing the City to complete projects as funding is available. The estimated cost of these projects is \$5.3 million (current dollars). Upsizing or other needed improvements to these pipelines are generally made as part of the City's water main replacement project, which is funded with approximately \$2.5 million annually from the Water Fund. Many of these water mains are nearing the end of useful service life and would be replaced in the coming years regardless of hydraulic deficiencies. The revised analysis has identified 94 projects with an estimated cost of \$18.7 million. This list will be refined as the North Bayshore, San Antonio, and El Camino Real Precise Plans are finalized, as allowable land use intensities identified in these plans have an impact on individual pipe segments. Projects will be prioritized and incorporated in the City's annual CIP in the coming years.

In order to consider and evaluate environmental impacts of the revised water infrastructure CIP beyond what was evaluated in the previously certified EIR, the City has prepared an Addendum. No new significant impacts or mitigations were identified in the analysis. Nonsubstantive changes to potentially significant impacts were identified for the following topic areas:

- Air Quality;
- Biological Resources;
- Cultural Resources;
- Geology, Soils, and Seismicity;
- GHG Emissions (Global Climate Change);
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials;
- Hydrology and Water Quality;
- Noise;

- Public Services and Recreation;
- Transportation and Circulation; and
- Utilities and Infrastructure.

All potentially significant impacts identified in the Addendum were similar to those identified in the previously certified EIR and were all determined to be less than significant and did not represent a substantial change.

Based on review of the EIR, the City has determined that the proposed changes to the water infrastructure CIP do not represent a substantial change from the overall program-level analysis of General Plan Build-Out evaluated in the EIR. Because of this, the City has prepared an Addendum to the EIR to document the additional CEQA analysis performed for the proposed changes.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City Council adoption of the 2030 General Plan recognized increased intensities and development in the City. A fiscal analysis was performed as part of the 2030 General Plan and found that continued development was fiscally beneficial for the City. Over the life of the General Plan, new development is expected to bring increases in revenue from new property and sales taxes, and for fees for other public improvements and infrastructure.

The revised analysis has identified 94 water mains to be replaced with an estimated cost of \$18.7 million that will be incorporated in the City's annual CIP in the coming years. A water main replacement project, funded with approximately \$2.5 million annually from the Water Fund, is included as a nondiscretionary project in the City's annual CIP. Based on the timing and cost of the replacement of the identified water mains, additional projects may be recommended for Council consideration as part of future CIPs.

ALTERNATIVES

Determine that the proposed changes to the water infrastructure CIP represent a substantial change from the overall program-level analysis of General Plan Build-Out evaluated in the EIR and direct staff to prepare a Supplemental EIR.

PUBLIC NOTICING

Agenda posting and copies of the proposed Addendum were forwarded on to the State Clearinghouse on June 20, 2014, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act.

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Attachment: Resolution and Addendum to Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR)