

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-124

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE
FINDING NO FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW IS REQUIRED FOR THE
PROJECT UNDER STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15162 AND FINDING THAT
THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ACQUISITION IS CONSISTENT
WITH THE CITY OF ELK GROVE GENERAL PLAN PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE SECTION 65402 AND PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21151.2
FOR THE LAGUNA RIDGE WEST/ARBOR RANCH SCHOOL SITE ACQUISITION
CORNER OF SPOONWOOD AVENUE AND TERRA FRANCA WAY
APN: 132-0050-174**

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21151.2, the Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) is requesting that the City of Elk Grove (City) make a Finding of Consistency with the City's General Plan as required by California Government Code Section 65402, for the proposed acquisition of the Laguna Ridge West/Arbor Ranch School Site (Project); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project is located on real property in the incorporated portions of the City more particularly described as APN: 132-005-174; and

WHEREAS, the Project qualifies as a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §21000 et seq., hereafter CEQA); and

WHEREAS, California Public Resources Code Section 21151.2 requires that the Planning Commission provide its recommendation regarding site acquisition; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 65402 requires that the City planning agency (Planning Commission) review property acquisitions for conformity with the adopted General Plan; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the proposed acquisition is in conformance with the goals and policies of the General Plan and a report of such finding shall be filed; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution and City Council staff report will serve as the report to be provided to the EGUSD pursuant to Government Code Section 65402 and Public Resources Code Section 21151.2; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered all of the information presented by staff and public testimony presented in writing and at the meeting prior to issuing its report in the form of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove finds the acquisition exempt from CEQA based upon the following finding:

Finding: No further environmental review is required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 (Subsequent EIRs and Negative Declarations).

Evidence: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires analysis of agency approvals of discretionary "Projects." A "Project," under CEQA, is defined as "the whole of an action, which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical

change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.” The proposed Project is a project under CEQA.

No further environmental review is required under CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15162 (Subsequent EIRs and Negative Declarations). State CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 provides that when an EIR has been certified for an adopted project, no subsequent EIR shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determines, on the basis of substantial evidence in light of the whole record, that one or more of the following exists:

1. Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
2. Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or
3. New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with exercise of reasonable diligence at the time of the previous EIR was certified as complete shows any of the following:
 - a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR;
 - b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR.
 - c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
 - d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternative.

The Laguna Ridge Specific Plan identified development of the site as a school. In 2004, the City Council certified a Revised Environmental Impact Report (REIR) for the Laguna Ridge Specific Plan (State Clearinghouse No. 2000082139). The LRSP REIR analyzed full buildout of Laguna Ridge Specific Plan based upon the land plan, development standards, and policies contained in Plan, as well as the improvements identified in the accompanying infrastructure master plans. Staff has reviewed the Project and analyzed it based upon the provisions in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The Project is being undertaken pursuant to and in conformity with the approved LRSP and no further review is required.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council finds that the proposed acquisition of the Laguna Ridge West/Arbor Ranch School Site by the EGUSD is consistent with the City's General Plan, as it is consistent with the General Plan land use designation

for the property. Further, it is consistent with General Plan Policy CIF-4-1 as the acquisition of the subject parcel is consistent with the specific school siting criteria as follows:

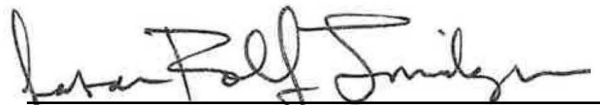
- The subject site has street frontage along three future streets (Spoonwood, Terra Franca, and Ashlar). Spoonwood along the school site is a standard residential street with 26 feet of pavement. Terra Franca and Ashlar are primary residential streets with 32 feet of pavement. Access to the school site would occur from these two larger streets. The layouts of the surrounding subdivisions were prepared in anticipation of this school site;
- None of the adjoining streets are designed for speeds higher than 35 miles/hour;
- The subject site covers ±10 acres and abuts a ±10 acre future park site. This will form a focal point in the western part of Laguna Ridge. The park and school will be accessible from off-street multi-use paths, as well as on-street bike lanes planned for the area;
- A new school on the subject site would serve residences in the western portion of Laguna Ridge. Many of these existing and planned residences are further than one mile from an existing school;
- The subject site is bounded to the west by vacant land planned for a park; and
- The subject site is located adjacent to a planned multi-use, off-street trail that will provide connectivity throughout Laguna Ridge and south into SEPA. The proposed trail and bikeway network will provide convenient access to the site from the surrounding neighborhood.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 25th day of June 2025



BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR of the
CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:



JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



JONATHAN P. HOBBS,
CITY ATTORNEY

CERTIFICATION
ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2025-124

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss
CITY OF ELK GROVE)

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on June 25, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Singh-Allen, Robles, Brewer, Suen*

NOES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSTAIN: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSENT: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Spease*



Jason Lindgren, City Clerk
City of Elk Grove, California