

CITY OF SALINAS
Community Development Department
65 West Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901

(MITIGATED) NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The project described below has been reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has been determined to have an insignificant effect upon the environment.

Project's Common Name: Edge of Downtown/Front and John Streets General Plan Amendment and Rezone Project

File No.(s): General Plan Amendment 2022-002(GPA 2022-002) and Rezone 2022-002 (RZ 2022-002)

Project Applicant: City of Salinas

Project Location: The Project site is in the jurisdiction of the City of Salinas, Monterey County, California. The site is generally located adjacent to John Street between Abbott Street and Front Street ("Edge of Downtown/ Front and John Streets"), consisting of 8 parcels that total approximately 3.7 acres. The site is identified by the Monterey County Assessor as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 002-362-021-000, 002-362-008-000, 002-362-009-000, 002-362-015-000, 002-362-017-000, 002-362-019-000, 002-362-020-000, and 002-382-072-000. The site is a portion of Township 15 South, Range 3 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian. It should be noted that some parcels within the Project site (APNs 002-362-021-000, 002-362-008-000, 002-362-009-000, 002-362-015-000, 002-362-017-000, 002-362-019-000, and 002-362-020-000) is within a Federal Opportunity Zone (ID 06053014500).

Project Description: GPA 2022-002 requests a land use change from Retail and Residential Low Density to Mixed-Use. RZ 2022-002 requests a rezone from CR – Commercial Retail and R-L – Residential Low Density to MX – Mixed Use, consistent with the proposed land use designation. No physical development is proposed.

Determination: The attached Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the above project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and procedures established in the *CEQA Guidelines* adopted by the City of Salinas. On the basis of the Initial Study, the City of Salinas makes the following determination:

- The above project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION is hereby approved.
- The above project could have a significant effect on the environment, but WILL NOT have a significant effect in this case because the attached mitigation measures have been made by or agreed to by the applicant which will avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects will occur. Furthermore, there is no substantial evidence

before the City of Salinas that the proposed project, as revised, may have a significant effect on the environment. A (MITIGATED) NEGATIVE DECLARATION is hereby approved.

Mitigation measures, if any, included in the project to avoid potentially significant effects:

(See attached Mitigation Monitoring Program)

Further information about this project and about its probable environmental impact will be on file in the Community Development Department, 65 West Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901.

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Attached: Edge of Downtown/Front and John Streets
Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program