



Legislation Details

File #:	24-031	Version:	2	Name:	
Type:	Consent Item	Status:		Reported to Council	
File created:	12/27/2023	In control:		Planning Commission	
On agenda:	1/3/2024	Final action:			

Title: SUBJECT: Consideration and Recommendation regarding a Pre-Annexation and Development Agreement by and Between the City of Merced and Virginia Smith Trust (VST) Relating to Annexation and Pre-zoning Application #23-03, General Plan Amendment #23-04, the adoption of the VST Specific Plan, the Establishment of Planned Development (P-D) #80 , and with the City of Merced acting as the Responsible Agency, consideration and recommendation regarding the Final Focused Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR), State Clearinghouse No. (SCH) #2001021056; (2) The Findings Required By CEQA Guidelines Section 15091; (3) The Proposed Mitigation Monitoring And Reporting Program; and, (4) the Statement of Overriding Considerations Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Pre-Annexation And Development Agreement described above. The Pre-Annexation Development Agreement and FSEIR are related to approximately 654 acres of land located at 4600 Lake Road, generally bounded by the University of California, Merced, Campus to the north, agriculturally zoned land in Merced County to the south, agriculturally zoned land in Merced County to the east, and Lake and Cardella Roads to the west
****PUBLIC HEARING****

ACTION

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Recommendation to City Council

- 1) Environmental Review #23-44 (Acting as a Responsible Agency):
 - (a) the Final FSEIR, State Clearinghouse No. SCH #2001021056
 - (b) the Findings Required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15091
 - (c) The Proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
 - (d) Statement of Overriding Considerations

- 2) Pre-Annexation Development Agreement by and between the City of Merced and Virginia Smith Trust (VST)

CITY COUNCIL:

Approve/Disapprove/Modify

- 1) Environmental Review #23-44 (Acting as a Responsible Agency):
 - (a) the Final FSEIR, State Clearinghouse No. Sch# 2001021056
 - (b) the Findings Required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15091
 - (c) The Proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
 - (d) Statement of Overriding Considerations

- 2) Pre-Annexation Development Agreement by and between the City of Merced and Virginia Smith Trust (VST)

SUMMARY

The Planning Commission is being asked to make a recommendation regarding the adoption of the Pre-Annexation Development Agreement for Annexation and Pre-zoning Application #23-03, General Plan Amendment #23-04, Establishment of Planned Development (P-D) #80, adoption of the Virginia Smith Trust Specific Plan and Environmental Review #23-44 which adopts the FSEIR including the Findings required by CEQA Section 15091, the Mitigation and Monitoring Program, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval to the City Council of

Environmental Review #23-44 and the Pre-Annexation Development Agreement for Annexation and Pre-zoning Application #23-03, General Plan Amendment #23-04, Adoption of the VST Specific Plan, and the Establishment of Planned Development (P-D) #80 (including the adoption of the Draft Resolution at Attachment A), subject to the conditions in Exhibit A and findings/considerations in Exhibit B, and the Mitigation Measures in Exhibit C, of the Draft Resolution at Attachment A.

Sponsors:

Indexes:

Code sections:

Attachments: 1. Att. A VST Location and Overview.pdf, 2. Att. B Signed PC Reso #4127 VST Annex.pdf, 3. Att C Draft Development Agreement Between City of Merced and VST (12_15_23) Clean.pdf, 4. Att D Development Agreement EXHIBITS.pdf, 5. Att E Reso 4128.pdf, 6. Att F VST Annexation - Final FSEIR.pdf, 7. pc presentation 1-3-2024.pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/3/2024	2	Planning Commission	recommended for approval	Pass