RESOLUTION NO. 12-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR THE INITIATION OF PROCESSING OF REQUESTS FOR A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, California Government Code, Section 65350 et. seq., authorizes cities and counties to prepare, adopt and amend General Plans and their elements; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta General Plan / Coastal Land Use Plan ("General Plan") is the City’s official policy that guides land use and physical development of the geographic area of the incorporated City limits; and

WHEREAS, Section 65358 (a) reads, "If it deems it to be in the public interest, the legislative body may amend all or part of an adopted general plan. An amendment to the general plan shall be initiated in the manner specified by the legislative body. Notwithstanding Section 66016, a legislative body that permits persons to request an amendment of the general plan may require that an amount equal to the estimated cost of preparing the amendment be deposited with the planning agency prior to the preparation of the amendment."; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to establish a formal process for initiation of General Plan Amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.
The City Council hereby determines that the following factors shall be considered for the initiation of General Plan amendment(s):

(a) The amendment proposed appears to be consistent with the Guiding Principles and Goals of the General Plan;

(b) The amendment proposed appears to have no material effect on the community or the General Plan;

(c) The amendment proposed provides additional public benefit to the community as compared to the existing land use designation or policy;

(d) Public facilities appear to be available to serve the affected site, or their provision will be addressed as a component of the amendment process; or

(e) The amendment proposed is required under other rules or regulations.
SECTION 2.
The City Council shall consider, deliberate, and act upon the initiation of all proposed General Plan Amendments at a duly noticed public hearing.

SECTION 3.
The initiation of all General Plan Amendments shall be addressed by an affirmative vote of the City Council in a duly noticed public hearing.

SECTION 5.
The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of January, 2012.

EDWARD EASTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TIM W. GILES
CITY ATTORNEY
I, DEBORAH CONSTANTINO, City Clerk of the City of Goleta, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 12-13 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Goleta at a regular meeting held on the 17th day of January, 2012 by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: MAYOR EASTON, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE ACEVES, COUNCILMEMBERS, BENNETT, CONNELL AND PEROTTE.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(SEAL)

DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK