

RESOLUTION NO. 12-21

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE COMMUNITY WILDFIRE
PROTECTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the risk of wildfire is significant for people living on the south coast of the Santa Barbara County, including the City of Goleta, due to the potential loss of life, property damage, and potential loss of natural and cultural resources; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of fire risks, the City of Goleta retained consultant Geo Elements, LLC to assist with the development of a wildfire protection plan, using the Community Wildfire Participation Plan (CWPP) format; and

WHEREAS, public outreach was coordinated via two public workshops on February 2, 2011 and October 13, 2011, including local residents, business owners, Fire Safe councils, the Fire Department, the Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Services, the Los Padres National Forest, members of Goleta City Council, and City departmental staff for the purpose of providing the public with information, receiving input on the development of the CWPP, and establishing community-specific values; and

WHEREAS, future implementation of the CWPP will protect life safety, enhance community-specific values, and sustain natural, cultural, visual, and recreational resources; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP is an accepted fire response agency format in that the Healthy Forest Restoration Act (HFRA) requires local fire department involvement, collaboration and approval of the CWPP; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP meets the requirements of the CWPP format as established by the Healthy Forest Restoration Act (HFRA) in that the CWPP was collaboratively developed with interested parties and federal land management agencies; it identifies and prioritizes areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments and recommends treatment types and methods; it recommends measures to reduce the ignitability of structures thought the area addressed by the plan; and

WHEREAS, the CWPP is an information document only and does not make decisions for City actions; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2012, the City Council considered the CWPP and oral and written testimony from interested persons.

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

SECTION 1. Recitals

The City Council hereby finds and determines the foregoing recitals, which are incorporated herein by reference, are true and correct.

SECTION 2. Approval of Community Wildfire Protection Plan

The City Council has reviewed the Community Wildfire Prevention Plan, attached as Exhibit 1, and hereby finds that the Community Wildfire Prevention Plan adequately addresses the risk of wildfire and is consistent with the City's General Plan / Coastal Land Use Plan, the Strategic Plan, and related Open Space Management Plans. The City Council hereby approves the Community Wildfire Prevention Plan and directs the City's Advance Planning Manager of the Neighborhood Services and Public Safety Department, or her designee, to commence environmental review and preparation of the Implementation Plans.

SECTION 3. Documents

The documents and other materials which constitute the record of proceedings upon which this decision is based are in the custody of the City Clerk, City of Goleta, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, California, 93117.

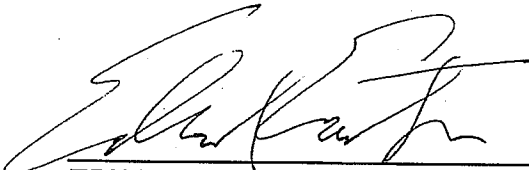
SECTION 4. California Environmental Quality Act

Approval of the informational CWPP is not a project subject to CEQA.

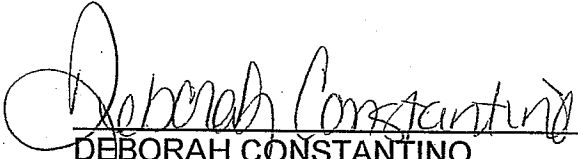
SECTION 5. Certification

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 20th day of March, 2012.


EDWARD EASTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


TIM GILES
CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA) SS.
CITY OF GOLETA)

I, DEBORAH CONSTANTINO, City Clerk of the City of Goleta, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing City Council Resolution No. 12-21 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Goleta at a regular meeting held on the 20th day of March, 2012, by the following vote of the Council:

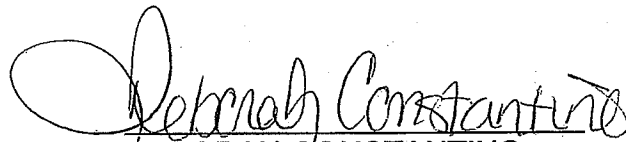
AYES: MAYOR EASTON, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE ACEVES,
COUNCILMEMBERS, BENNETT, CONNELL AND PEROTTE.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(SEAL)


DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK