

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-38

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VISALIA,  
ADOPTING NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 2021-49, WHICH EVALUATES  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOR ANNEXATION NO. 2021-03, HIGGINS  
RANCH TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5585, AND TENTATIVE  
PARCEL MAP NO. 2022-01

**WHEREAS**, the project consisting of Annexation No. 2021-03, Higgins Ranch Tentative Subdivision Map No. 5585, and Tentative Parcel Map No. 2022-01 (hereinafter "Project") is a request to annex a 32.35-acre parcel into the City Limits of Visalia in order to facilitate the subdivision of said 32.35-acre parcel into a 174-lot single-family residential subdivision. The Project is located on the southeast corner of East Cherry Avenue and South Lovers Lane (APN: 127-030-018); and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Visalia, after ten (10) days published notice, held a public hearing before said Council on June 20, 2022; and,

**WHEREAS**, an Initial Study was prepared which disclosed that no significant environmental impacts would result from the Project; and,

**WHEREAS**, on the basis of this Initial Study, a Negative Declaration has been prepared for the Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Study and Negative Declaration for the Project were prepared and noticed for review and comment for 20 days beginning on April 14, 2022; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Visalia did not receive any comments on the Initial Study and Negative Declaration; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Visalia considered the Initial Study and Negative Declaration and found that the Initial Study and Negative Declaration contain and reflect the independent judgment of the City of Visalia.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Initial Study and Negative Declaration was prepared consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City of Visalia Environmental Guidelines.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Visalia hereby finds, on the basis of the whole record before it, that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment and hereby adopts Initial Study and Negative Declaration No. 2021-49. The documents and other material which constitute the record of the proceedings upon which the decisions based are located at the office of the City Planner, 315 East Acequia Avenue, Visalia, California, 93291.