

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** TLMA - Planning Department and County Counsel

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
May 7, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Ordinance No. 348.4785 an Ordinance of the County of Riverside amending Article II of Ordinance No. 348. All Districts [\$7,500]; General Fund 100%

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Ordinance No. 348.4785 an ordinance amending Article II of Ordinance No. 348; and
2. Direct the Planning Department to file the attached Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk for posting.

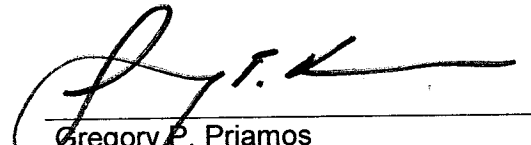
**BACKGROUND:**

Summary

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Departmental Concurrence

  
Juan C. Perez  
TLMA Director

  
Gregory P. Priamos  
County Counsel

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 7500	\$ N/A	\$ 7500	\$ N/A	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 7500	\$ N/A	\$ 7500	\$ N/A	

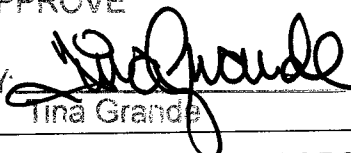
**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** FY 14/15 Planning Departmental Budget –  
General Fund

Budget Adjustment: No  
For Fiscal Year: 14/15

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE

BY:

  
Tina Grande

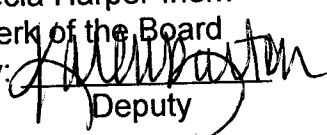
County Executive Office Signature

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Ashley, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended and that Ordinance 348.4785 is adopted with waiver of the reading.

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: Tavaglione  
Date: May 19, 2015  
xc: Planning, Co.Co., MC, COB

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 5-12-15; Item 3-54

District: All

Agenda Number:

**3-27**

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**FORM 11:** Introduction of Ordinance No. 348.4785, an Ordinance of the County of Riverside amending Article II of Ordinance No. 348 – CEQA Exempt.

**DATE:** April 30, 2015

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary (continued)**

On May 20, 2014 (Item 3-54), the Board of Supervisors initiated the order to amend Article II of Ordinance No. 348 to revise the County's Initiation of General Plan Amendment Proceedings (GPIP), based on a request made by the Planning Commission. The Board of Supervisors established the GPIP process in 2008 and it was intended to provide an early review of a development proposal for general suitability. However, at the very early GPIP stage, specific details of the project could not be discussed because public hearings were not held on it and the environmental review had not been conducted yet. Additionally, many times, specific proposed uses for the property were not submitted with the proposed General Plan Amendment. As a result of this limited information, the public was not able to provide meaningful feedback to staff or the decision makers on the proposal, and the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors were only able to provide a limited level of review before making a determination to initiate a project. Although well intended, the GPIP process has proven to be premature for most types of land use applications, and eliminating it will produce a more well informed and effective land use review process for the public, the applicant, staff and the decision makers through the normal General Plan Amendment process, which involves CEQA review and noticed public hearings.

Ordinance No. 348.4785 eliminates the GPIP process for the following General Plan Amendments: Technical Amendments, Entitlement/Policy Amendments and Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments. Technical Amendments involve changes of a technical nature that do not change the intent of the General Plan. Examples include mapping errors or editorial clarifications. Entitlement/Policy Amendments involve changes in land use designations or policies that involve land located entirely within a General Plan Foundation Component. Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments change property to or from the Agricultural Foundation Component. Ordinance No. 348.4785 also updates various sections in Article II to reflect the current Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle which is in effect in our General Plan instead of the previous Five-Year General Plan Review Cycle which was in the prior zoning ordinance and had not been amended to match the General Plan.

Staff is recommending that the GPIP process remain in effect for Regular Foundation Component Amendments and Extraordinary Foundation Component Amendments. The General Plan includes the following five land use Foundation Components: Multipurpose Open Space, Agriculture, Rural, Rural Community and Community Development. Regular Foundation Component Amendments occur during the 8 year General Plan Review Cycle and change the Foundation Components. Extraordinary Foundation Component Amendments also change Foundation Components, but are allowed outside the 8 year General Plan Review Cycle if there are extraordinary justifications for the amendment. The Foundation Components provide the land use structure for the General Plan and any changes to them are significant. Therefore, such changes warrant maintaining the additional review step provided by the GPIP process prior to the project proceeding through the normal General Plan Amendment process

Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments occur during each 2 ½ year Agriculture Foundation Amendment Cycle that allows up to 7% of all land designated as Agriculture to change to other Foundation and land use designations. The General Plan provides for an Agricultural Task Force that reviews conversion amounts and Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments in excess of the 7%. Since Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments receive this additional review, removing the GPIP requirement will not reduce the level of consideration for these types of Foundation Amendments.

Ordinance No. 348.4785 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that Ordinance No. 348.4785 may have a significant effect on the environment. This ordinance is only making

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procedural changes to the County's initiation process for General Plan amendments. There is no development application or development proposal associated with this ordinance. Additionally, even with the removal of the GPIIP process, any proposed General Plan amendment will still undergo the full Planning review process which includes an environmental analysis and a noticed public hearing.

**Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

Removing the GPIIP process will result in more complete and detailed land use proposals being processed by the Planning Department and considered by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors. The additional initiation step will still be required for projects involving a change from one Foundation Component to another, which is the highest level of change allowed to be considered to our General Plan.

**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

**N/A**

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

**N/A**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Ordinance No. 348.4785**
- B. Revised Article II of Ordinance No. 348**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



**3-27**

(1)

On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from Transportation And Land Management Agency/Planning Regarding Adoption of Ordinance No. 348.4785, an Ordinance of the County of Riverside amending Article II of Ordinance No. 348 relating to zoning; and Finding of Notice of Exemption is approved as recommended.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: Tavaglione

(2)

On Motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter be reconsidered.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: Tavaglione

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on May 19, 2015 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors  
Dated: May 19, 2015  
Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in  
and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

(seal)

By:  Deputy

AGENDA NO.  
**3-27**

xc: Planning, Co.Co., MC, COB



1 ordinance); or,

2 (4) A proposed change to the land use designations established in the  
3 Eastern Riverside County Desert Area, not covered by an Area Plan.”

4 Section 5. Subsection b. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its  
5 entirety and replaced with the following:

6 “b. LIMITATION ON FOUNDATION COMPONENT  
7 AMENDMENTS. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.6 and  
8 Section 2.7, no Foundation Component Amendment shall be heard or  
9 approved except as part of the Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle.  
10 The first Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle shall commence on  
11 January 1, 2008 and continue during the 2008 calendar year, and  
12 subsequent cycles shall occur at eight calendar year intervals thereafter.”

13 Section 6. Subsection c. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its  
14 entirety and replaced with the following:

15 “c. INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The initiation  
16 of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an  
17 order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not  
18 less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of  
19 Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any  
20 time during the calendar year of an Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle.  
21 The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings  
22 shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment  
23 will be approved.”

24 Section 7. Subsection e. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its  
25 entirety and replaced with the following:

26 “e. PRIVATE APPLICATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF  
27 AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The owner of real property, or a person  
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1 authorized by the owner, shall have the right to request that the Board of  
2 Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment  
3 pursuant to this Section. The Planning Director shall establish an  
4 application period of not less than thirty days during the calendar year of  
5 each Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle during which applications will  
6 be accepted. After this application period is established, it shall not be  
7 extended. Applications shall be made to the Planning Director, on the  
8 forms provided by the Planning Department, shall supply all required  
9 information, and shall be accompanied by the filing fee set forth in County  
10 Ordinance No. 671. The Planning Director shall prepare a report and  
11 recommendation on all such applications and shall submit the report and  
12 recommendation to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board  
13 agenda as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Prior to submitting the  
14 report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board, the comments of the  
15 Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be  
16 included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing  
17 before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such  
18 comments.”

19 Section 8. Subsection a. of Section 2.6 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its  
20 entirety and replaced with the following:

21 “a. APPLICABILITY. This Section shall govern the processing of any  
22 Foundation Component Amendment not occurring during the Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle  
23 including any General Plan amendment to change:

- 24 (1) The Riverside County Vision;
- 25 (2) The General Planning Principles set forth in General Plan Appendix B;
- 26 (3) A Foundation Component of the General Plan (except for changes to  
27 property designated within the Agricultural Foundation Component  
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1 which shall be processed in accordance with Section 2.7 of this  
2 ordinance); or,

3 (4) A proposed change to the land use designations established in the  
4 Eastern Riverside County Desert Area, not covered by an Area Plan.”

5 Section 9. Subsections c., d., and e. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 are  
6 deleted in their entirety.

7 Section 10. Subsection f. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 is relettered  
8 subsection c. and amended to read as follows:

9 “c. AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS. An  
10 amendment pursuant to this Section shall be processed, heard and decided  
11 in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance.”

12 Section 11. Subsections g. and h. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 are  
13 relettered subsections d. and e., respectively.



1                    Section 12.    This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

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3                    BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY  
4                    OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

5                    By: Marion Ashley  
6                    Chairman                    **MARION ASHLEY**

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8                    ATTEST:  
9                    CLERK OF THE BOARD  
10                    Kecia Harper-Ihem

11                    By: [Signature]  
12                    Deputy

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19                    APPROVED AS TO FORM  
20                    May 4, 2015

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22                    By: [Signature]  
23                    MICHELLE CLACK  
24                    Deputy County Counsel

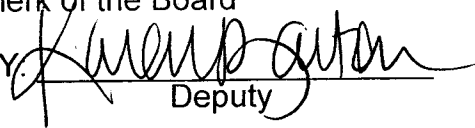
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said county held on May 19, 2015, the foregoing ordinance consisting of 12 Sections was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:                   Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
NAYS:                   None  
ABSENT:                Tavaglione

DATE:        May 19, 2015

KECIA HARPER-IHEM  
Clerk of the Board  
BY:   
Deputy

SEAL

## **ARTICLE II OF ORDINANCE NO. 348**

(Insertions and deletions made by Ordinance No. 348.4785)

### **SECTION 2.1. ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN.**

a. The Riverside County General Plan or any part or element thereof, and any amendment to the plan or any part or element thereof, shall be adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 65300 et seq. of the Government Code, as now written or hereafter amended, and this Article. No mandatory element of the General Plan shall be amended more frequently than four times during any calendar year, unless otherwise allowed by Section 65358 of the Government Code. Subject to that limitation, an amendment may be adopted at any time, as determined by the Board of Supervisors. Each amendment may include more than one change to the General Plan.

b. The initiation of proceedings for the amendment of the General Plan, or any part or element thereof, shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The initiation of proceedings for the amendment of the General Plan, or any part or element thereof, shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. Either the Planning Director or the Planning Commission may recommend, in the manner provided by this Article, that the Board of Supervisors initiate proceedings for the amendment of the General Plan or any part or element thereof. The owner of real property, or a person authorized by the owner, shall have the right to apply for the initiation of proceedings, in the manner provided by this Article, to amend the General Plan with respect to provisions of the General Plan affecting the use of his property. The initiation of proceedings by the Board of Supervisors for the amendment of the General Plan, or any part or element thereof, shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.

**SECTION 2.2. GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY.** No discretionary permit shall be approved pursuant to this ordinance unless it is determined that the permit is consistent with the General Plan.

**SECTION 2.3. DEFINITIONS FOR GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT PROCEDURES.** Capitalized terms in Section 2.4, Section 2.5, Section 2.6 and Section 2.7 shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Riverside County General Plan.

**Section 2.4. GENERAL PLAN TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS AND ENTITLEMENT/POLICY AMENDMENTS.**

a. **APPLICABILITY.** This Section shall govern the processing of any General Plan amendment which is defined as a Technical Amendment or an Entitlement/Policy Amendment. Technical Amendments involve changes of a technical nature including, without limitation: statistical corrections; mapping error corrections; changes in spheres of influence and city boundaries; changes in Unincorporated Communities or Communities of Interest; editorial clarifications that do not change the intent of the General Plan; or appendix information useful in interpreting the General Plan but which does not change the General Plan intent. Entitlement/Policy Amendments involve changes in land use designations or policies that involve land located entirely within a General Plan Foundation Component but that do not change the boundaries of that component. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, a proposed change of land use designation to properties located in Eastern Riverside County Desert Area not covered by an Area Plan shall be considered a Foundation Component Amendment and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 of this

ordinance. An Entitlement/Policy Amendment may also involve a change in General Plan Policy provided it does not change the Riverside County Vision, a Foundation Component, or a General Planning Principle set forth in General Plan Appendix B.

~~b. INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The initiation of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any time. The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.~~

~~c. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. Either the Planning Director or the Planning Commission may recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. All such recommendations shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the agenda of the Board as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Whenever the Planning Director prepares such a recommendation, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.~~

~~d. PRIVATE APPLICATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The owner of real property, or a person authorized by the owner, shall have the right to request that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. Applications shall be made to the Planning Director, on the forms provided by the Planning Department, shall supply all required information, and shall be accompanied by the filing fee set forth in County Ordinance No. 671. The Planning Director shall prepare a report and recommendation on all such applications and shall submit the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board agenda as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Prior to submitting the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.~~

~~eb. AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS. After adoption of an order of the Board of Supervisors initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section, the amendment shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance. If the Board adopts orders initiating proceedings for several amendments pursuant to this Section, each such amendment may be processed, heard and decided separately or together with other such amendments as determined by the Planning Director.~~

~~fc. FINDINGS.~~

(1) Technical Amendments. A Planning Commission resolution recommending approval of a Technical Amendment and a Board of Supervisors resolution approving a Technical Amendment shall include the first finding listed below and any one or more of the subsequent findings listed below:

(a) The proposed amendment would not change any policy direction or intent of the General Plan.

- (b) An error or omission needs to be corrected.
  - (c) A land use designation was based on inaccurate or misleading information and should therefore be changed to properly reflect the policy intent of the General Plan.
  - (d) A point of clarification is needed to more accurately express the General Plan's meaning or eliminate a source of confusion.
  - (e) A minor change of boundary will more accurately reflect geological or topographic features, or legal or jurisdictional boundaries.
- (2) Entitlement/Policy Amendments. A Planning Commission resolution recommending approval of an Entitlement/Policy Amendment and a Board of Supervisors resolution approving an Entitlement/Policy Amendment shall include the first two findings listed below and any one or more of the subsequent findings listed below:
- (a) The proposed change does not involve a change in or conflict with: the Riverside County Vision; any General Planning Principle set forth in General Plan Appendix B; or any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.
  - (b) The proposed amendment would either contribute to the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, would not be detrimental to them.
  - (c) Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan.
  - (d) A change in policy is required to conform to changes in state or federal law or applicable findings of a court of law.
  - (e) An amendment is required to comply with an update of the Housing Element or change in State Housing Element law.
  - (f) An amendment is required to expand basic employment job opportunities (jobs that contribute directly to the County's economic base) and that would improve the ratio of jobs-to-workers in the County.
  - (g) An amendment is required to address changes in ownership of land or land not under the land use authority of the Board of Supervisors.

#### SECTION 2.5. GENERAL PLAN FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS-REGULAR

- a. **APPLICABILITY.** This Section shall govern the processing of regular Foundation Component Amendments occurring during the ~~Five~~Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle including any General Plan amendment to change:
  - (1) The Riverside County Vision;
  - (2) The General Planning Principles set forth in General Plan Appendix B;
  - (3) A Foundation Component of the General Plan (except for changes to property designated within the Agriculture Foundation Component which shall be processed in

accordance with Section 2.7 of this ordinance); or,

(4) A proposed change to the land use designations established in the Eastern Riverside County Desert Area, not covered by an Area Plan.

b. **LIMITATION ON FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS.** Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.6 and Section 2.7, no Foundation Component Amendment shall be heard or approved except as part of the FiveEight-Year General Plan Review Cycle. The first FiveEight-Year General Plan Review Cycle shall commence on January 1, 2008 and continue during the 2008 calendar year, and subsequent cycles shall occur at five-eight calendar year intervals thereafter.

c. **INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** The initiation of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any time during the calendar year of a FiveEight-Year General Plan Review Cycle. The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.

d. **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** Either the Planning Director or the Planning Commission may recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. All such recommendations shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the agenda of the Board as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Whenever the Planning Director prepares such a recommendation, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.

e. **PRIVATE APPLICATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** The owner of real property, or a person authorized by the owner, shall have the right to request that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. The Planning Director shall establish an application period of not less than thirty days during the calendar year of each FiveEight-Year General Plan Review Cycle during which applications will be accepted. After this application period is established, it shall not be extended. Applications shall be made to the Planning Director, on the forms provided by the Planning Department, shall supply all required information, and shall be accompanied by the filing fee set forth in County Ordinance No. 671. The Planning Director shall prepare a report and recommendation on all such applications and shall submit the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board agenda as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Prior to submitting the report and recommendation to Clerk of the Board, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.

f. **AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS.** After adoption of an order of the Board of Supervisors initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section the amendment shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance. If the Board adopts orders initiating proceedings for several amendments pursuant to this Section, each such amendment may be processed, heard and

decided separately or together with other such amendments as determined by the Planning Director. Hearings and the final decision on any amendment pursuant to this Section may occur after the calendar year during which proceedings for the amendment were initiated.

g. **FINDINGS.** A Planning Commission resolution recommending approval of a regular Foundation Component Amendment and a Board of Supervisors resolution approving a regular Foundation Component Amendment shall include findings, based on substantial evidence, that new conditions or circumstances disclosed during the review process justify modifying the General Plan, that the modifications do not conflict with the overall Riverside County Vision, and that they would not create an internal inconsistency among the elements of the General Plan. The foregoing requirement for findings shall not apply to any amendment to the Riverside County Vision.

#### SECTION 2.6. GENERAL PLAN FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS - EXTRAORDINARY.

a. **APPLICABILITY.** This Section shall govern the processing of any Foundation Component Amendment not occurring during the Eight Five-Year General Plan Review Cycle including any General Plan amendment to change:

- (1) The Riverside County Vision;
- (2) The General Planning Principles set forth in General Plan Appendix B;
- (3) A Foundation Component of the General Plan (except for changes to property designated within the Agricultural Foundation Component which shall be processed in accordance with Section 2.7 of this ordinance); or,
- (4) A proposed change to the land use designations established in the Eastern Riverside County Desert Area, not covered by an Area Plan.

b. **INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** The initiation of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any time. The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.

c. **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** Either the Planning Director or the Planning Commission may recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. All such recommendations shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the agenda of the Board as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Whenever the Planning Director prepares such a recommendation, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.

d. **PRIVATE APPLICATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS.** The owner of real property, or a person authorized by the owner, shall have the right to request that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant

to this Section. Applications shall be made to the Planning Director, on the forms provided by the Planning Department, shall supply all required information, and shall be accompanied by the filing fee set forth in County Ordinance No. 671. The Planning Director shall prepare a report and recommendation on all such applications and shall submit the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board agenda as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Prior to submitting the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.

e. **AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS.** After adoption of an order of the Board of Supervisors initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section, the amendment shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance. If the Board adopts orders initiating proceedings for several amendments pursuant to this Section, each such amendment may be processed, heard and decided separately or together with other such amendments as determined by the Planning Director.

f. **FINDINGS.** A Planning Commission resolution recommending approval of an Extraordinary General Plan Foundation Component Amendment and a Board of Supervisors resolution approving an Extraordinary General Plan Foundation Component Amendment shall include the first two findings listed below and any one or more of the subsequent findings listed below:

(1) The foundation change is based on substantial evidence that new conditions or circumstances disclosed during the review process justify modifying the General Plan, that the modifications do not conflict with the overall Riverside County Vision, and that they would not create an internal inconsistency among the elements of the General Plan. The foregoing requirement for findings shall not apply to any amendment to the Riverside County Vision.

(2) A condition exists or an event has occurred that is unusually compelling and can only be rectified by making changes in the current Riverside County Vision, General Planning Principles set forth in General Plan Appendix B, or Foundation Component.

(3) An unconstitutional taking of property might occur without the amendment, and the amendment alters the General Plan Foundation Component only to the extent necessary to avoid the potential taking.

(4) A natural or man-made disaster or public emergency has occurred that warrants a change in General Plan Foundation Component designations in order to protect the public health, safety or welfare.

(5) A Foundation Component Amendment is required to conform to changes in State or Federal law, or applicable findings of a court of law.

(6) An amendment is required to comply with an update of the Housing Element or change in State Housing Element law.

(7) A Foundation Component Amendment is required to significantly expand basic structural employment (such as industrial, agricultural processing, and research and development), excluding retail, service commercial, warehousing, and residential uses not ancillary to the



primary employment use.

(8) A Foundation Component change is necessary to facilitate implementation of open space or transportation corridor designations arising from the adopted MSHCP or Community Environmental Transportation Acceptability Program (CETAP) programs that could not be accomplished by a lesser change in the General Plan.

## SECTION 2.7. AGRICULTURAL FOUNDATION COMPONENT GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS.

a. **APPLICABILITY.** This Section shall govern the processing of any General Plan amendment to change property to or from the Agriculture Foundation Component.

### b. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR AGRICULTURAL FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS.

(1) All amendments pursuant to this Section shall be assigned to a 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle based on the date of amendment adoption. The first 2 ½ Year Cycle commenced January 1, 2004 and ended on June 30, 2006; the second 2 ½ Year Cycle extends from July 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008; and subsequent 2 ½ Year Cycles shall continue in the same manner for 2 ½ year periods thereafter.

(2) The Planning Director shall determine the total acreage of land within the Agricultural Foundation Component as of January 1, 2004 (the "Agricultural Foundation Base Acreage"), for each of the following three areas:

(a) The area covered by the Palo Verde Valley Area Plan, the Desert Center Area Plan and the Eastern Desert Land Use Plan;

(b) The area covered by the Eastern Coachella Valley Area Plan and the Western Coachella Valley Area Plan; and,

(c) The area covered by all other Area Plans.

(3) During the first 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle, seven percent (7%) of the Agricultural Foundation Base Acreage for each of the areas listed in paragraph (2) above shall be generally authorized for conversion from Agriculture to any other Foundation Component (the "Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage"). During each subsequent 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle, the Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage for each area listed in paragraph (2) above shall consist of an acreage equal to the Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage for the first 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle plus the Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage for all subsequent 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycles reduced by the acreage of all General Plan amendments (adopted after January 1, 2004) converting land from Agriculture to any other Foundation Component for each such area.

(4) Unless otherwise allowed as provided in subsection g. below, no amendment pursuant to this Section shall be approved by the Board of Supervisors if such approval would result in a conversion from Agriculture to any other Foundation Component in excess of the Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage, as determined under paragraph (3) above, during any 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle.

~~e. INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The initiation of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any time. The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.~~

~~d. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. Either the Planning Director or the Planning Commission may recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. All such recommendations shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the agenda of the Board as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Whenever the Planning Director prepares such a recommendation, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments.~~

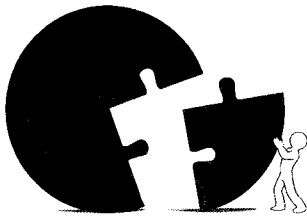
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~~c.f. AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS. After adoption of an order of the Board of Supervisors initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section, the amendment shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance. If the Board adopts orders initiating proceedings for several amendments pursuant to this Section, each such amendment may be processed, heard and decided separately or together with other such amendments as determined by the Planning Director.~~

~~Gd. ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION FOR AGRICULTURAL FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. above, the Board of Supervisors may approve an amendment which exceeds the Agricultural Amendment General Authorization Acreage for any 2 ½ Year Agricultural Foundation Amendment Cycle provided the Board first determines that any condition or circumstance including, without limitation, any business consideration or undue hardship, justifies the amendment and also determines that adequate infrastructure to serve the land use designations will be available. Prior to approving an amendment as provided in this subsection, the Board of Supervisors shall first submit the amendment to the Agricultural Task Force for the area where the property subject to the amendment is located for its review and recommendation.~~

~~He. FINDINGS. A Planning Commission resolution recommending approval of an Agricultural Foundation Component Amendment and Board of Supervisors resolution approving~~

an Agricultural Foundation Component Amendment shall include a finding that the amendment would either contribute to the achievement of the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, not be detrimental to them.



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Project Location: In the unincorporated area of Riverside County.

Project Description: Ordinance No. 348.4785 eliminates the County's Initiation of General Plan Amendment Proceedings (GPIP) for the following General Plan Amendments: Technical Amendments, Entitlement/Policy Amendments and Agricultural Foundation Component Amendments. The GPIP process remains in effect for Regular Foundation Component Amendments and Extraordinary Foundation Component Amendments. Ordinance No. 348.4785 also updates various sections in Article II of Ordinance No. 348 to reflect the current Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Riverside County Board of Supervisors

Project Applicant & Address: Riverside County Planning Department

**Exempt Status: (Check one)**

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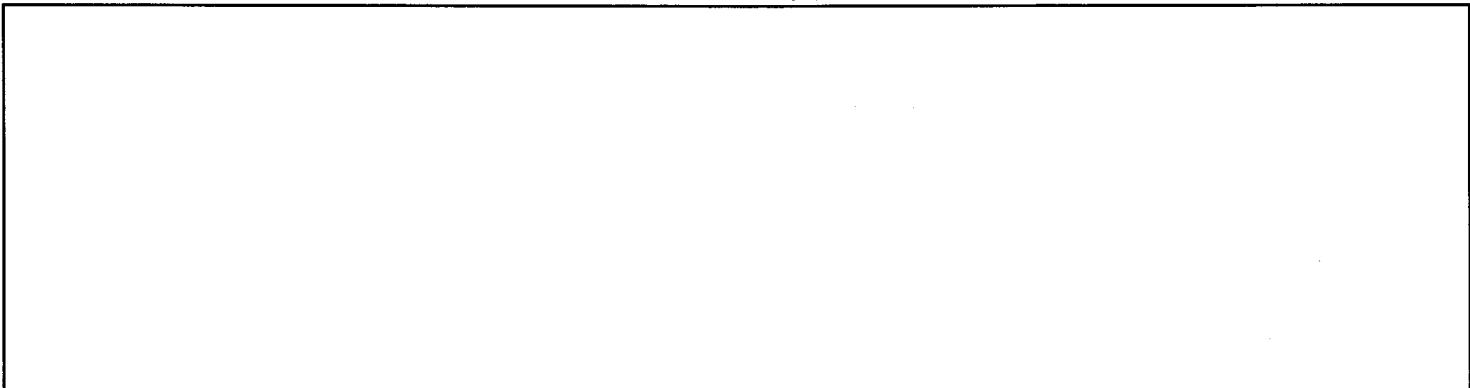
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**ORDINANCE NO. 348.4785**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**  
**AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 348**  
**RELATING TO ZONING**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ordains as follows:

Section 1. Subsections b., c. and d. of Section 2.4 of Ordinance No. 348 are deleted in their entirety.

Section 2. Subsection e. of Section 2.4 of Ordinance No. 348 is relettered subsection b. and amended to read as follows:

"b. AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS. An amendment pursuant to this Section shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance."

Section 3. Subsection f. of Section 2.4 of Ordinance No. 348 is relettered subsection c.

Section 4. Subsection a. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"a. APPLICABILITY. This Section shall govern the processing of regular Foundation Component Amendments occurring during the Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle including any General Plan amendment to change:

- (1) The Riverside County Vision;
- (2) The General Planning Principles set forth in General Plan Appendix B;
- (3) A Foundation Component of the General Plan (except for changes to property designated within the Agricultural Foundation Component which shall be processed in accordance with Section 2.7 of this ordinance); or,
- (4) A proposed change to the land use designations established in the Eastern Riverside County Desert Area, not covered by an Area Plan."

Section 5. Subsection b. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"b. LIMITATION ON FOUNDATION COMPONENT AMENDMENTS. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.6 and Section 2.7, no Foundation Component Amendment shall be heard or approved except as part of the Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle. The first Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle shall commence on January 1, 2008 and continue during the 2008 calendar year, and subsequent cycles shall occur at eight calendar year intervals thereafter."

Section 6. Subsection c. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"c. INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The initiation of proceedings for any amendment pursuant to this Section shall require an order of the Board of Supervisors, adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the entire membership of the Board. The Board of Supervisors may adopt an order initiating amendment proceedings at any time during the calendar year of an Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle. The adoption of an order by the Board initiating amendment proceedings shall not require a public hearing and shall not imply any such amendment will be approved."

Section 7. Subsection e. of Section 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"e. PRIVATE APPLICATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS. The owner of real property, or a person authorized by the owner, shall have the right to request that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order initiating proceedings for an amendment pursuant to this Section. The

Planning Director shall establish an application period of not less than thirty days during the calendar year of each Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle during which applications will be accepted. After this application period is established, it shall not be extended. Applications shall be made to the Planning Director, on the forms provided by the Planning Department, shall supply all required information, and shall be accompanied by the filing fee set forth in County Ordinance No. 671. The Planning Director shall prepare a report and recommendation on all such applications and shall submit the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board agenda as a matter not requiring a public hearing. Prior to submitting the report and recommendation to the Clerk of the Board, the comments of the Planning Commission shall be requested and any comments shall be included in the submission to the Board of Supervisors. No public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be required to request such comments."

Section 8. Subsection a. of Section 2.6 of Ordinance No. 348 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"a. APPLICABILITY. This Section shall govern the processing of any Foundation Component Amendment not occurring during the Eight-Year General Plan Review Cycle including any General Plan amendment to change:

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Section 9. Subsections c., d., and e. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 are deleted in their entirety.

Section 10. Subsection f. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 is relettered subsection c. and amended to read as follows:

"c. AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS AND HEARINGS. An amendment pursuant to this Section shall be processed, heard and decided in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 2.10 of this ordinance."

Section 11. Subsections g. and h. of Section 2.7 of Ordinance No. 348 are relettered subsections d. and e., respectively.

Section 12. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

Marion Ashley, Chairman of the Board

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County, held on **May 19, 2015** the foregoing Ordinance consisting of twelve (12) sections was adopted by said Board by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
NAYS: None  
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By: Cecilia Gil, Board Assistant