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Sent Electronically

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Subject: Coastal Commission Action on City of Santa Cruz Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment No. LCP-3-STC-23-0045-2-Part A (Downtown Plan Update)

Dear Mr. Bane:

At its meeting on December 15, 2023, the Coastal Commission took action on City of Santa Cruz LCP Amendment No. LCP-3-STC-23-0045-2-Part A (Downtown Plan Update). The Commission approved the proposed amendments to the Implementation Plan, if modified as suggested. A copy of the adopted findings and suggested modifications will be sent over next week.

This letter formally transmits to you the Commission's resolution of certification and adopted findings pursuant to Section 13544 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations. Pursuant to Section 13544, effective certification of LCP Amendment No. LCP-3-STC-23-0045-2-Part A, whereby the City may begin issuing coastal development permits subject to this amendment, will occur after:

- 1. The City, by action of the City Council: (a) acknowledges receipt of this resolution of certification, including the suggested modifications; and (b) accepts and agrees to the modifications and takes whatever formal action is required to satisfy the modifications (e.g., implementation of ordinances).
- 2. The Commission's Executive Director reports to the Commission her determination that the City's actions are legally adequate, and the Commission does not object to the Executive Director's determination.
- 3. Notice of the certification of the LCP amendment is filed with the Secretary of the Resources Agency.

Coastal Commission staff will take care of items #2 and #3 above, following completion of item #1 by the City. Note that the Commission's regulations provide that the Commission's action of certification with the suggested modifications shall expire six months from the date of the Commission's action, or on June 15, 2024.

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Please let me know if I can assist you in any way in completing action on this LCP amendment, or if you have any questions. We appreciate the City's close coordination throughout this LCP amendment process.

Sincerely,

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