

**CITY OF CALISTOGA
PLANNING COMMISSION
RESOLUTION PC 2009-08**

**A RESOLUTION FORWARDING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL
FOR THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 19,
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 19.02 GROWTH
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OF THE CALISTOGA MUNICIPAL CODE TO FURTHER
CLARIFY, STREAMLINE AND IMPROVE PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION**

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2 **WHEREAS**, on January 4, 2005, the City Council adopted Ordinance #616,
3 which established Chapter 19.02 Growth Management System of the Municipal Code
4 applicable to development in all zoning districts;

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6 **WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2005, the City Council of the City of Calistoga
7 adopted Ordinance #624 amending Chapter 19.02 Growth Management System of
8 Calistoga Municipal Code to clarify and improve program implementation;

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10 **WHEREAS**, upon completion of the fifth cycle of the Growth Management
11 Allocation process, the Planning Commission has determined that there is a need to
12 revisit the City's Growth Management System to provide more flexibility in the
13 regulations and to explore options on providing development incentives to encourage
14 applicants to bring in projects that address City needs;

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16 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission considered the proposed revisions to the
17 City's Growth Management System at its regular meeting on April 22, 2009 and May 13,
18 2009. Prior to taking action on the proposed revisions, the Planning Commission
19 received written and oral reports by the staff, and received public testimony;

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21 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission finds that this action continues to
22 implement the growth management policies as adopted in the City of Calistoga's
23 General Plan. Furthermore, such policies were assessed in a previously adopted
24 Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission finds that this action has been reviewed
27 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and determined that this
28 activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects, which have
29 the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be
30 seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the action being contemplated,
31 adoption of amendments to the Growth Management Ordinance, will have any impact
32 on the environment [Section 15061 (b)(3)].

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34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of Calistoga Planning
35 Commission that, based on the above findings, the proposed amendment pertaining to
36 Title 19 Environmental Protection, specifically Chapter 19.02 Growth Management

37 System, as described in Exhibit A, is forwarded to the City Council with a
38 recommendation of adoption.

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40 **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** on May 13, 2009, by the following vote
41 of the Calistoga Planning Commission:

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43 **AYES:**

44 **NOES:**

45 **ABSENT/ABSTAIN:**

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Jeff Manfredi, Chair

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49 **ATTEST:** _____

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Kathleen Guill

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Secretary to the Planning Commission