

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE STEVENSON/GRANT AREA WITHIN CALISTOGA URBAN DESIGN PLAN

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2 **WHEREAS**, the General Plan, which was last updated in October 2003, is
3 Calistoga's fundamental land use and development policy document identifying how the
4 community will grow and conserve its resources through 2020 and is the primary
5 document used to implement the land use and development policies contained in the
6 2003 General Plan Update; and

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8 **WHEREAS**, the General Plan is not sufficiently focused with respect to land use
9 policies related to immediate new development and redevelopment interests and needs
10 and recognizes its inherent limitations as a broad policy tool and lists as a future
11 undertaking the need for the adoption of an Urban Design Plan (UDP) as called for in
12 the Community Identity Element; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, the City Council, in response to this policy direction, directed staff in
15 April 2005 to undertake an effort to develop an Urban Design Plan for review and
16 consideration; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, an extensive public outreach program was conducted on preliminary
19 elements of Urban Design Plan released in October 2006, as well as, the Draft Urban
20 Design Plan released in July 2008 for the purpose of soliciting public comments on the
21 Urban Design Plan prior to its presentation to, and final recommendation by the
22 Planning Commission; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission held duly noticed public hearings on
25 September 15, 2008, October 13, 2008, June 24, 2009, August 26, 2009 and November
26 10, 2009 for the purpose of considering the Draft Urban Design Plan, and prior to
27 recommending action to the City Council, the Planning Commission received written
28 and oral reports by the staff and received extensive public testimony; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission on November 10, 2009 made its
31 recommendation that the City Council approve the Revised Draft Urban Design Plan,
32 dated December 1, 2009; and

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34 **WHEREAS**, a public notice of the City Council public hearing of December 1,
35 2009 and January 19, 2010 for the adoption of an Urban Design Plan was published in
36 the local newspaper and made available on the City's website; and

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38 **WHEREAS**, the City Council, has reviewed and considered the Stevenson/Grant
39 Area within the Revised Draft Urban Design Plan, as recommended by the Planning
40 Commission, at its regular meeting of December 1, 2009 and January 19, 2010, and
41 prior to taking action on the policy the Council received written and oral reports by the
42 staff and received public testimony; and

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44 **WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the Stevenson/Grant Area within the Draft
45 Revised Urban Design Plan as recommended by the Planning Commission is
46 consistent with General Plan policy direction and, as developed, is intended to insure

47 that the character of Calistoga is retained and enhanced through the improvement of
48 certain properties; and

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50 **WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that, once adopted, the Stevenson/Grant Area
51 within the UDP will be utilized to guide efforts to amend the General Plan and Calistoga
52 Municipal Code to better articulate the expectations of the community for future
53 development and by doing so would assist residents, property owners and decision
54 makers to understand the goals and desired elements of land development; and

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56 **WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that this action has been reviewed pursuant to
57 the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and determined that is a project
58 exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15183 Projects Consistent with a Community
59 Plan or Zoning and Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies of the CEQA
60 Guidelines.

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62 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that based upon the above Findings,
63 the City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby approves the Stevenson/Grant Area
64 within the Revised Draft Urban Design Plan for Calistoga, dated December 1, 2009 and
65 as amended by the City Council, incorporated herein by reference.

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67 **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of
68 Calistoga at a regular meeting held this **19th day of January 19, 2010**, by the following
69 vote:

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71 **AYES:**
72 **NOES:**
73 **ABSTAINED/ABSENT:**

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MIKE DUNSFORD, Vice Mayor

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77 ATTEST:
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79 SUSAN SNEDDON, City Clerk