GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT FINDINGS

The applicant for a General Plan Amendment Application shall substantiate the following:

(Do not repeat the statement or provide Yes/No responses. If necessary, attach additional pages.)

A. The proposed amendment supports the Guiding Principles of the General Plan:

1. The proposed amendment employs Smart Growth.

2. The proposed amendment ensures that community services and infrastructure are sufficient to accommodate growth.

3. The proposed amendment provides the foundation for a strong and diverse economy.

4. The proposed amendment promotes excellence in environmental resource management.
5. The proposed amendment provides healthy, livable and equitable communities.

B. The proposed amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan.

C. The proposed amendment will benefit the public interest and is necessary to realize an unmet local or regional need.

D. FOR CONSERVATION (OS-C) DESIGNATED LANDS ONLY
The proposed amendment to convert the OS-C designated property to another land use designation(s) does not contribute to the overall loss of open space that protects water quality, provides natural habitats, and contributes to improved air quality.

E. FOR LANDS WITHIN THE EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION DISTRICT (EPD) OVERLAY ONLY
The proposed amendment to convert lands within the EPD Overlay to a non-industrial land use designation(s):
1. Is located on a parcel that adjoins a parcel with a comparable use, at a comparable scale and intensity.
2. Will not negatively impact the productivity of neighboring industrial activities.

3. Is necessary to promote the economic value and the long-term viability of the site.

4. Will not subject future residents to potential noxious impacts, such as noise, odors or dust or pose significant health and safety risks.

F. FOR LANDS WITHIN THE AGRICULTURAL RESOURCE AREAS (ARAs) ONLY

The proposed amendment to convert lands within the ARAs:
1. Is located on a parcel that adjoins another parcel with a comparable use, at a comparable scale and intensity.

2. Will not negatively impact the productivity of neighboring agricultural activities.