

RESOLUTION NO. 24-____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CAPITOLA
RECOMMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE CAPITOLA
LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM LAND USE PLAN (CHAPTER 2: PUBLIC ACCESS
AND CHAPTER 7: NATURAL HAZARDS)**

WHEREAS, the City of Capitola has an adopted Local Coastal Program (LCP), consisting of a Land Use Plan (LUP) and Implementation Plan (IP), certified by the California Coastal Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has initiated the Cliff Drive Resiliency Project to address bluff erosion, sea-level rise, stormwater drainage impacts, and to enhance pedestrian, bicycle, and coastal access along Cliff Drive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Capitola received a \$500,000 Coastal Commission Local Coastal Program grant requiring updates to Capitola's LCP relative to the Cliff Drive Resiliency Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Land Use Plan amendments update outdated references, clarify policies, and introduce new policies related to coastal erosion, sea-level rise, shoreline structures, public access, and climate adaptation planning; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments specifically revise Chapter 2: Public Access and Chapter 7: Natural Hazards of the Land Use Plan to reflect current conditions and future planning needs; and

WHEREAS, the amendments were duly noticed and made available for public review at City Hall, the Community Center, the Capitola Library, and online; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on the proposed amendments, considered all testimony, and finds that the amendments are consistent with the California Coastal Act and the General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission of the City of Capitola hereby recommends the City Council adopt amendments to the Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan, specifically amendments to Chapter 2: Public Access and Chapter 7: Natural Hazards.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of September 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Paul Estey, Chair

Attest:

Rosie Wyatt, Deputy City Clerk