

**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS**

**February 27, 2018**

**Adoption of the Florence-Firestone Community Plan**

Florence-Firestone is a three and a half square mile unincorporated community boasting a population of over 64,000 residents, with a rich culture and a resilient business environment. Florence-Firestone has major commercial and industrial centers, and the siting of two Metro rail line stations in the heart of the community gives it distinct potential for future transit-oriented growth. However, Florence-Firestone is also a community that has significant public health and quality of life challenges associated with the historic siting of residential uses in close proximity to industrial uses, particularly along the Alameda Corridor.

Since 2009, the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning (DRP) in partnership with local residents and stakeholders has undertaken the task of developing a comprehensive plan and vision for future development and investment in Florence-Florence, which has culminated in the development of the “Florence-Firestone Community Plan” (Community Plan). The Community Plan is intended to help attract investment in public and private infrastructure and serve as a blueprint for guiding future development. DRP facilitated an extensive community engagement effort to guide the development of the Community Plan, including over 60 outreach meetings and workshops.

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The proposed goals of the Community Plan and concurrent updates to the Florence-Firestone Community Standards District include increasing access to housing opportunities, a vision for no-net loss of available affordable housing units, facilitating mixed-use and transit-oriented housing and commercial uses, supporting vibrant activity on major commercial corridors; and improving the overall health, welfare, and vitality of the community. The implementation of the Community Plan will undoubtedly elevate the quality of life for those that live, work, learn and play in Florence-Firestone.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

1. Close the Public Hearing;
2. Indicate the Board of Supervisors' (Board) intent to certify the addendum to the certified Final Environmental Impact Report for the County General Plan, and find that it has been prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and state and local agency guidelines related thereto and reflects the independent judgment of the Board;
3. Indicate the Board's intent to approve the Florence-Firestone Community Plan, and accompanying zone changes as recommended by the Regional Planning Commission (RPC);
4. Indicate the Board's intent to approve the Florence-Firestone Community Standards District Update, as recommended by the RPC and further modified to ensure consistency between the commercial and MXD zones as it relates to exterior lighting, security, maintenance signage, business signs, reduction of parking, and off-site or shared parking standards; and

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5. Direct County Counsel to prepare the zone changes, final documents and ordinances for the Florence-Firestone Community Plan and Community Standards District and bring them back to the Board for final consideration.

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