

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FINAL REPORT FOR THE NORTH FAIR OAKS  
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN RAILROAD CROSSING AND COMMUNITY  
CONNECTIONS STUDY**

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**RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

**WHEREAS**, on August 3, 2021 with Resolution No. 078353, this Board accepted a \$356,163 grant from Caltrans and authorized the execution of a grant agreement to provide funding assistance for the North Fair Oaks Bicycle and Pedestrian Railroad Crossing and Community Connections Study (Study); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 8, 2022 this Board adopted Resolution No. 078765 authorizing the execution of an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 to develop the Study; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 25, 2023 this Board adopted Resolution No. 079840 authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. increasing the agreement to an amount not to exceed \$680,000 to further refine rail crossing concept plans and provide additional outreach; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Study was to build on recommendations from prior County plans to explore the potential for a new bicycle and pedestrian grade-

separated crossing of the Caltrain tracks with safety and access improvements in the adjacent neighborhoods within the Study area to better reach local destinations; and

**WHEREAS**, concept planning designs were shaped through extensive community engagement that resulted in public review of one tunnel crossing option and two bridge crossing options; and

**WHEREAS**, the Study identified significant risks and potential impacts with each option, including, but not limited to: potential construction and maintenance conflicts with high voltage electrification infrastructure, disruption risks to Caltrain revenue service for which the County would be held liable, potential impacts to adjacent residents that would warrant further investigation, conflicts with the Palo Alto high pressure water transmission pipeline, and additional concerns such as the height of the bridge options, loss of street parking, and construction challenges that impact the desirability of the options; and

**WHEREAS**, the Final Report does not recommend a single preferred crossing option, however it provides a summary of potential locations and concept designs for a rail crossing and a technical evaluation and associated community feedback, should a crossing be revisited in the future, and

**WHEREAS**, separate bicycle and pedestrian improvements on neighborhood streets identified in the Study are not dependent on a new rail crossing and considerations for their implementation are included in the Final Report.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to accept the Final Report for the North Fair Oaks Bicycle and Pedestrian Railroad Crossing and Community Connections Study.

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