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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION No. **77875** C.M.S.

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**A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE COLISEUM BART TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT PLAN, AND DIRECT STAFF TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCEPT PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, the area surrounding the Coliseum BART station is underutilized and contains some areas of blight; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Oakland adopted the Coliseum Area Redevelopment Project Redevelopment Plan (Redevelopment Plan) in 1995.

**WHEREAS**, The Redevelopment Plan establishes the Concept Plan area as a redevelopment area that can benefit from tax increment financing and other redevelopment activities designed to eliminate blight and promote economically viable development.

**WHEREAS**, the Concept Plan includes urban design improvements intended to reduce blight and a land use vision intended to both increase economic development in the area and eliminate blight; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Oakland adopted the Land Use and Transportation Element of the General Plan (LUTE) in 1998.

**WHEREAS**, The LUTE includes the guiding land use policies for Oakland. The LUTE identifies the Coliseum area as a "Showcase District" (LUTE, p. 6) where growth and community and economic development are encouraged (LUTE, p. 200). More specifically, the Coliseum area is identified as a Transit-Oriented District that should provide a transition between the surrounding low-density neighborhoods and the BART station transit hub and provide new development that capitalizes on proximity to transit and is compatible with nearby residential and industrial uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Concept Plan includes higher density land uses that would provide growth in the Coliseum area and take advantage of the area's convenient location within an intermodal transportation center; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland International Airport, Interstate 880, the Coliseum BART Station, as well as the planned Oakland Airport Connector and Amtrak Capitol Corridor train station represent tremendous public transportation investment in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Concept Plan includes transit-oriented development intended to take advantage of and benefit transportation improvements in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coliseum represents tremendous public entertainment investment in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Concept Plan calls for regional-serving commercial uses adjacent to the Coliseum to complement and expand on the existing entertainment uses and proximity to mass transit; and

**WHEREAS**, implementation of the Concept Plan would provide a visually attractive gateway to Oakland, enhance safety in the area, provide buffers between conflicting land uses, revitalize surrounding neighborhoods, and result in community and economic development for both the Concept Plan area and the City of Oakland.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES:**

Section 1. The City Council does hereby find and declare that the above recitals are true and correct and hereby makes them part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Concept Plan is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies.

Section 3. The City Council accepts the Coliseum BART Transit-Oriented Development Concept Plan which achieves objectives of and is consistent with adopted policies included in the Redevelopment Plan and the LUTE.

Section 4. The City Council directs staff to support implementation of the Concept Plan as follows:

- A. **Community Outreach:** Provide Oakland residents and business owners with information regarding the status of the Concept Plan and future projects in the area, and solicit input to key decisions at project milestones.
- B. **San Leandro Streetscape Improvements:** Design and construct the San Leandro Streetscape Improvements project. Solicit public input at key points in the process.
- C. **Bicycle Access:** Determine feasibility of providing bike lanes and/or bike paths in the Concept Plan area.
- D. **Financial Feasibility Study:** Determine the feasibility of relocating the existing BART parking lot and developing a Transit Village on the existing parking lot site.

- E. Zoning Update Process: Update the Planning Code to allow transit-oriented development in the Concept Plan area.
- F. Coliseum Gardens: Process land use entitlements for redevelopment of the Coliseum Gardens housing complex.
- G. Transit village: Develop a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with BART regarding relocation of the existing BART parking lot and redevelopment of the existing lot as a Transit Village.
- H. Funding: Continue to seek grant funding opportunities to implement planning and capital projects in the area.

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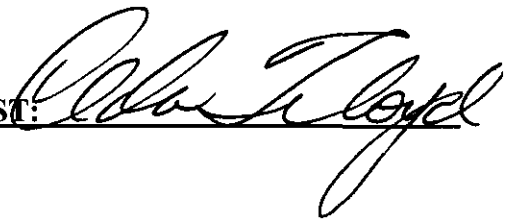
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**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- BRUNNER, CHANG, BROOKS, NADEL, REID, QUAN, WAN, AND  
 PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES- 0  
 ABSENT- 0  
 ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: 

CEDA FLOYD  
 City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
 of the City of Oakland, California