

ATTACHMENT A – Comparison of 15162 CEQA Requirements and Project Revisions

General Plan Amendment to List of Historic Structures and Features in Galt (Table 9.1 of Existing Conditions Report) COMPARISON OF 15162 CEQA REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT	
CEQA Requirement (Section 15162)	Relationship to Request
<p>(a) <i>When an EIR has been certified or negative declaration adopted for a project, no subsequent EIR shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determines, on the basis of substantial evidence in light of the whole record, one or more of the following:</i></p>	<p>The Project EIR was certified by the Galt City Council on April 9, 2009 (Resolution No. 2009-28).</p> <p>The information provided in this Addendum identifies the substantial evidence in support of the City's determination that the preparation of a subsequent EIR is not required for the subject project and that the preparation of an Addendum is appropriate.</p>
<p>(1) <i>Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;</i></p>	<p>The proposed changes to the project are identified within the body of this Addendum. These changes are not substantial. They simply reflect a change based on a preponderance of evidence in the record demonstrating that certain structures previously listed as historically significant do not meet the criteria for continued listing.</p> <p>Periodic changes to the list in Table 9.1 of the Existing Conditions Report were contemplated by General Plan Policies HRE-1.5 –The City shall continue to update the Historic Resources Inventory and HRE-1.1 which lists the eligibility criteria for the California Register of Historic Resources as the determining criteria for historical significance.</p> <p>Since the subject properties have been determined to no longer meet the eligibility criteria, it is proposed that they be removed from listing. These changes fall substantially within the scope of analysis of the prior CEQA review.</p> <p>No revisions of the previous EIR are required. No new environmental effects will result. No new mitigation measures are triggered. The severity of previously identified impacts will not substantially increase.</p>

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(2) <i>Substantial changes will occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or</i>	<p>The general circumstances under which the proposed revisions will be undertaken remain unchanged from the time of adoption. The changes reflect refinements of the original project description as a result of more precise historical evaluation.</p> <p>These changes are effectively neutral in terms of the environmental analysis. There are no new significant environmental effects associated with the proposed revisions. There is no change in the severity of previously identified significant effects.</p>
(3) <i>New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the negative declaration was adopted, shows any of the following:</i>	<p>These changes involve only minor amendments of the project that are the result of more refined historical evaluation of certain structures on the existing list.</p>
(A) <i>The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration;</i>	<p>The proposed revisions to the historic resources inventory will not create any new significant effects on the environment.</p>
(B) <i>Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR;</i>	<p>The revisions will not increase the significance level of any impacts previously identified in the EIR.</p>
(C) <i>Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or</i>	<p>No mitigation measures were determined to be infeasible. All previously identified mitigations continue to apply.</p> <p>The City Council did not reject previously analyzed alternatives due to infeasibility but rather because it was determined that the alternatives would not result in lessening or avoidance of impacts, and/or would not achieve project objectives.</p>
(D) <i>Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the</i>	<p>No new or different mitigation measures or alternatives have been identified beyond those analyzed in the EIR nor are they relevant to the proposed revisions.</p> <p>No mitigation measures were determined to be infeasible. All previously identified</p>

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<i>mitigation measure or alternative.</i>	<p>mitigations continue to apply. No new mitigation measures have been identified that would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project.</p> <p>The City Council did not reject previously analyzed alternatives due to infeasibility but rather because it was determined that the alternatives would not result in lessening or avoidance of impacts, and/or would not achieve project objectives.</p>
b) <i>If changes to a project or its circumstances occur or new information becomes available after adoption of a negative declaration, the lead agency shall prepare a subsequent EIR if required under subsection (a). Otherwise the lead agency shall determine whether to prepare a subsequent negative declaration, and addendum, or no further documentation.</i>	A negative declaration was not prepared or adopted for the project, therefore, this section does not apply.
c) <i>Once a project has been approved, the lead agency's role in project approval is completed, unless further discretionary approval on that project is required. Information appearing after an approval does not require reopening of that approval. If after the project is approved, any of the conditions described in Subsection (a) occurs, a subsequent EIR or negative declaration shall only be prepared by the public agency which grants the next discretionary approval for the project, if any. In this situation no other responsible agency shall grant an approval for the project until the subsequent EIR has been certified or subsequent negative declaration adopted.</i>	The 2030 Galt General Plan was approved by the City Council on April 9, 2009 (Resolution No. 2009-28). Approval of the proposed general plan amendments is a subsequent discretionary action for which a CEQA determination must be made. However, as noted herein, none of the conditions described in Subsection (a) have been triggered, hence a subsequent EIR is not required. Rather, the City has concluded that an Addendum is appropriate.
d) <i>A subsequent EIR or subsequent negative declaration shall be given the same notice and public review as required under Section 15087 or</i>	A subsequent EIR has been determined not to be required; therefore, this section is not applicable.

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<i>Section 15072. A subsequent EIR or negative declaration shall state where the previous document is available and can be reviewed.</i>	