SAHUARITA RESOLUTION NO. 2015-0439

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SAHUARITA, ARIZONA, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE "TRAIL MAP(S) SET FORTH IN THE PIMA REGIONAL TRAIL SYSTEM MASTER PLAN," AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, ADOPTING "ASPIRE 2035: SAHUARITA'S GENERAL PLAN," AND ORDERING THAT "ASPIRE 2035: SAHUARITA'S GENERAL PLAN" BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS FOR RATIFICATION.

WHEREAS, the Town adopted its most recent General Plan and amendments in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 9, Chapter 4, Article 6; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 9-461 *et seq* requires the Town to update the General Plan every ten years, and added a new requirement for inclusion of an Energy Element; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 of House Bill 2145, adopted in the Second Regular Session of the Forty-ninth Legislature, the state legislature allowed local jurisdictions additional time, until July 1, 2015, to accomplish the ten-year updates due to the economic conditions of the state at the time; and

WHEREAS, Town residents, other stakeholders, Town staff and a consultant team worked together to update the current General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town has consulted with, advised and provided opportunity for official public comment by public officials and agencies, the Pima County planning agency, Pima Association of Governments, Arizona Commerce Authority, and Arizona Department of Water Resources, together with property owners and citizens and has indicated sites for public purposes on the proposed update to the General Plan referred to as Aspire 2035: Sahuarita's General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the plans and policies produced by this process have received extensive review by the general public, in accordance with the General Plan Update Public Involvement Plan, and have been further refined to reflect public input and needs for consistency, coordination, and the needs of the Town as a whole; and

WHEREAS, at least 60 days prior to the adoption of this Resolution, the Planning and Zoning Division of the Planning and Building Department, filed a copy with the Town Council of the Town of Sahuarita and submitted a copy for review and further comment to:

1. The Pima County planning agency
2. Pima Association of Governments
3. Arizona Commerce Authority; and
4. Arizona Department of Water Resources

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission (1) held two public hearings on the proposed General Plan on June 1, 2015, at the Sahuarita Town Hall, and on June 2, 2015, at the Sahuarita Town Hall and (2) provided notice of such hearings by publication in the *Green Valley News* at least 15 calendar days and not more than 30 calendar days prior to each hearing, by posting on the Town's website and by posting at Sahuarita Town Hall, and forwarded a recommendation that the Town Council adopt Aspire 2035: Sahuarita's General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council (1) held one public hearing on the proposed General Plan on June 22, 2015, at the Sahuarita Town Hall and (2) provided notice of such hearing by publication in the *Green Valley News* at least 15 calendar days and not more than 30 calendar days prior to the hearing; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive, long-range plan is needed to provide a framework for the decisions of developers and land owners, as well as the Planning & Zoning Commission and Town Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Sahuarita finds and determines that (1) proper notice has been given in a manner required by A.R.S. § 9-461 *et seq.* of the proposal of the Town to adopt Aspire 2035: Sahuarita's General Plan and that each of the required publications have been made in the *Green Valley News*, a newspaper of general circulation in the Town and (2) Aspire 2035: Sahuarita's General Plan consists of all such elements as required in A.R.S. § 9-461.05; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for coordinated planning of a regional trail system, the Town desires to adopt, by reference, the trail map(s) set forth in the Pima Regional Trail System Master Plan, as amended from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SAHUARITA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The recitals above are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The trail map(s) set forth in the Pima Regional Trail System Master Plan, as amended from time to time, is incorporated herein and made a part hereof, and adopted by reference.

Section 3. Aspire 2035: Sahuarita's General Plan, as set forth in the text, including a Vision Statement, ten General Plan Elements, the Sahuarita East Conceptual Area Plan, and maps, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and amended as set forth in the text contained in Exhibit "B," is hereby approved and adopted, shall be submitted to

the voters on November 3, 2015, for ratification pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-461.06 (M), and will not go into effect unless and until it is ratified by the voters of the Town of Sahuarita.

Section 4. Arguments in favor or in opposition to the General Plan may be submitted to the Town Clerk in the manner provided by law.

Section 5. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to include a general description of the General Plan and each of its elements in the publicity pamphlet that will be published for the election to be held on November 3, 2015, and such information as with other election information shall be translated into Spanish in accordance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 as amended.

Section 6. The Town Clerk shall cause copies of the General Plan for public inspection to be available from the offices of the Town Clerk and Planning and Building, 375 West Sahuarita Center Way, Sahuarita, Arizona, 85629, telephone number (520) 822-8801; the town website: www.sahuaritaaz.gov/gp; and at the Pima County Library, Sahuarita Branch, 725 West Rancho Sahuarita Boulevard, Building #2, Sahuarita, Arizona, 85629; and shall post notice of such placement in the manner as agendas for meetings of public bodies on the Town's official bulletin board, located outside the Sahuarita Town Hall Building at 375 West Sahuarita Center Way, Sahuarita, Arizona.

Section 7. That the Planning & Zoning Division, as the Town's planning agency, with recommendations from the Planning & Zoning Commission, shall monitor, evaluate and recommend revisions to the General Plan annually as required, and comprehensively every ten years.

Section 8. The Mayor, the Town Manager, the Town Clerk and the Town Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

Section 9. All ordinances, resolutions, or motions and parts of ordinances, resolutions or motions of the council in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed, effective as of the effective date of this Resolution. All internal references within the Town Code to any affected provision are hereby updated. This plan and other plans supersede the Santa Cruz River/Town Center Plan.

Section 10. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Sahuarita, Arizona, this 22nd day of June, 2015.

Mayor Duane Blumberg

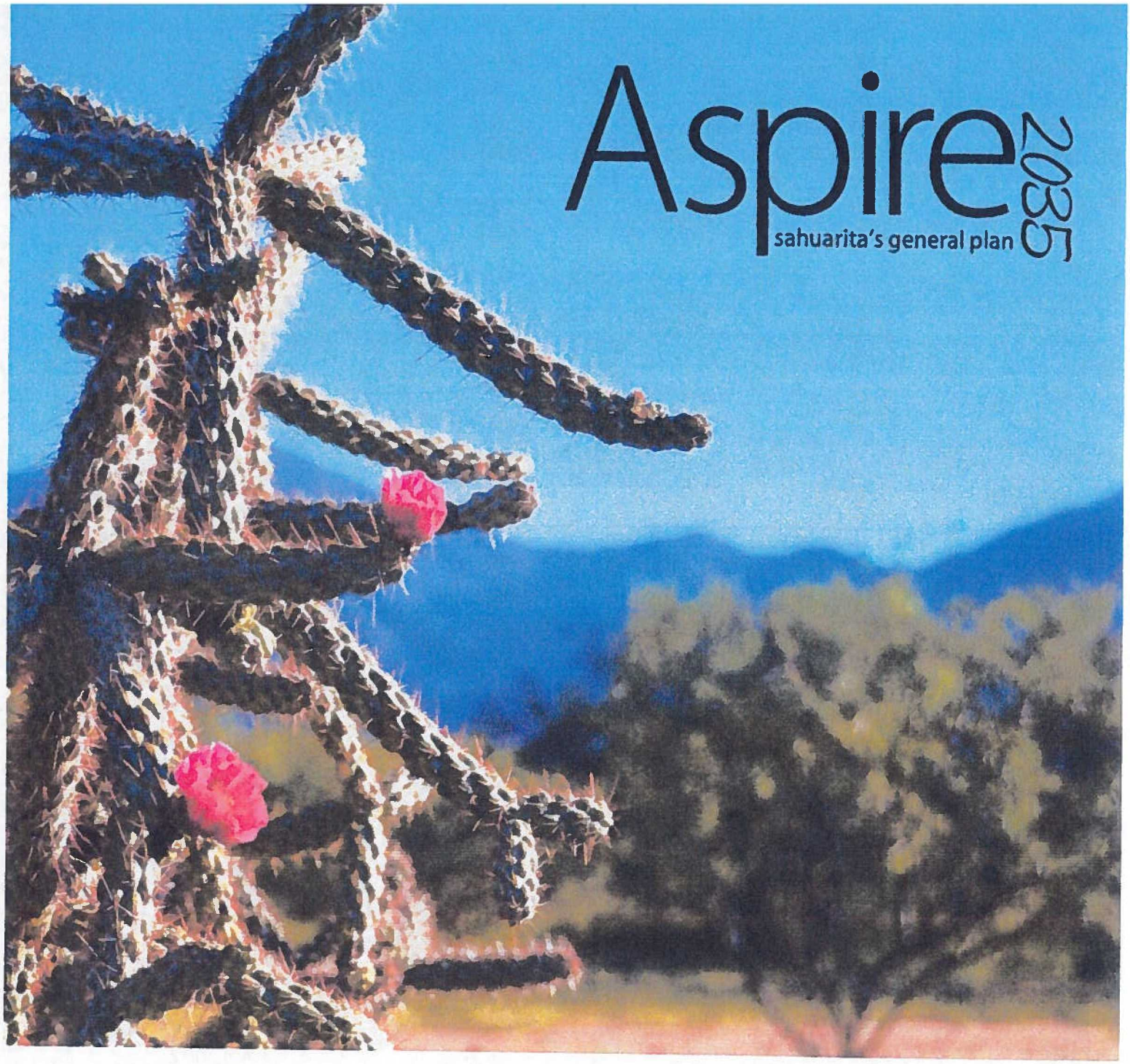
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel J. Hochuli
Town Attorney

ATTEST:

Lisa Cole, CMC
Town Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"



Town of Sahuarita General Plan

June 10, 2015 Draft

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EXHIBIT "B"

1. Revise Policy LU-1.3 as follows: "~~Require~~ Encourage safe and accessible connectivity between residential and supporting non-residential uses."

2. Revise Policy LU-5.7 as follows: "Where feasible, preserve and integrate regulated riparian and natural areas into site design as an amenity."

3. Revise Policy PFS-5.3 as follows: "Encourage and incentivize the use of Low Impact Development techniques such as water harvesting as a tool for reducing post-development run-off."

4. Revise REC-1.4 as follows: Adopt the ~~current~~ trail map(s) set forth in the Pima Regional Trail System Master Plan as ~~revised~~ amended from time to time.

5. Revise REC-4.3, as follows: "~~Establish standards for~~ Encourage site design that incorporates both passive/natural and active/disturbed open space areas where applicable."

6. Revise ENG 1.2. "Encourage and support new development and redevelopment projects ~~to generate their energy needs through on-site~~ that incorporate renewable energy sources ~~(Net Zero Development)~~.

7. Revise ENG -4.4. Promote the use of green streets that incorporate extensive landscaping, ~~pervious surfaces,~~ and native plantings.