CITY OF MERCED <u>Planning & Permitting Division</u>

STAFF REPORT:	#20-15	AGENDA ITEM: 4.1
FROM:	Kim Espinosa, Planning Manager	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING DATE: June 24, 2020 (Special Meeting)
PREPARED BY:	Kim Espinosa, Planning Manager	CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: June 29, 2020 (Special Meeting)

- **SUBJECT:** Modification to the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch, initiated by Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc., property owners. This application involves a request to modify the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch, originally adopted on July 5, 1995, and amended and modified twice in 1996 and once in 2009. In 2009, the term of the agreement was modified from 40 years to 25 years for a portion of Bellevue Ranch West so that it would expire on July 5, 2020. The current property owners are requesting that the term be extended for up to 15 years to the original expiration date of July 5, 2035. The affected property consists of approximately 233 acres, generally located on the north and south sides of Cardella Road from Pacific Drive to Bellevue Road, west of M Street. The property has General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); and is zoned Planned Development (P-D) #42. *PUBLIC HEARING*
- **ACTION:** PLANNING COMMISSION:

Recommendation to City Council

- 1) Environmental Review #20-12 (Categorical Exemption)
- 2) Modification/Extension of Development Agreement

CITY COUNCIL:

Approve/Disapprove/Modify

- 1) Environmental Review #20-12 (Categorical Exemption)
- 2) Modification/Extension of Development Agreement

SUMMARY

The applicants propose to modify the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch to extend the term of the Development Agreement from 25 years to 40 years for the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West. The Original Agreement was modified in 2009 for a previous owner. The current property owners have made substantial progress in the development of Bellevue Ranch

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West and are up to date on their assessment obligations. City staff is recommending that the Development Agreement be modified to extend the term from 25 to 40 years, the original term of the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval of Environmental Review #20-12 (Categorical Exemption) and the Modification to the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch as described in the Draft Ordinance at Attachment B (including the adoption of the Resolution at Attachment F).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The vacant portion of Bellevue Ranch West consists of approximately 233 acres, generally located on the north and south sides of Cardella Road from Pacific Drive to Bellevue Road, west of M Street. The applicants, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc., have requested that the term of the Development Agreement be extended from 25 years to 40 years as per the previous terms of the agreement when adopted in 1995.

Surrounding	Existing Use of Land	City Zoning	City General Plan Land Use
Land		Designation	Designation
North	Large Lot Homes &	County	Low Density (LD)
	Vacant Land		Residential/Commercial Office
	(across Bellevue Road)		(CO)
South	Apartments & Single-	Residential Planned	Low Density (LD)/High
	Family	Development (RP-D)	Medium Density (HMD)
	(across Fahrens Creek)	#33/Low Density	Residential/
		Residential (R-1-6)	
East	Single-Family Homes &	Planned	Low Density (LD)/High
	Vacant Land	Development (P-D)	Medium Density (HMD)
	(across M Street)	#42	Residential/Regional
			Community Commercial (RC)
West	Vacant/County Land	Planned	Low Density Residential (LD)
	(across R Street-	Developments (P-D)	
	Extended)	#46 and #50_	

Surrounding Zones and Land Uses (Attachment A):

BACKGROUND

The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan was originally adopted on May 15, 1995, by City Council Resolution #95-34, and the associated Development Agreement was adopted by Ordinance #1906 on June 5, 1995, and became effective on July 5, 1995, for a term of 40 years or until July 5, 2035. The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan (BRMDP) covered approximately 1,385 acres generally bound by Cottonwood Creek on the south, R Street (extended) to the west, G Street to the east, and Old Lake Road (extended) to the north. The BRMDP included a variety of land uses including single-family residential, multi-family, commercial, office, schools, parks and open space, a transit station, and a fire station.

The Development Agreement was amended twice in 1996. The First Amendment to the Development Agreement was approved by Ordinance #1929 on February 21, 1996, and granted a 6-month extension to the deadline for the initial annexation to be completed. The Second Amendment was approved by Ordinance #1944 on September 3, 1996, and granted another 6-month extension for the annexation to be completed.

Bellevue Ranch was subsequently annexed to the City in two segments: 1) approximately 801 acres including all the land south of Bellevue Road on July 11, 1997; and, 2) approximately 607 acres north of Bellevue Road on October 26, 2000, which included approximately 23 acres which were not part of the Bellevue Ranch MDP.

In about 2003-04, Bellevue Ranch was divided into three portions and divided up among three different property owners: 1) Bellevue Ranch West, made up of approximately 500 acres encompassing all the land south of Cardella Road and the portion north of Cardella Road up to Bellevue Road west of M Street; 2) Bellevue Ranch East, made up of approximately 285 acres north of Cardella Road up to Bellevue Road east of M Street; and, 3) Bellevue Ranch North, made up of approximately 580 acres, north of Bellevue Road.

In 2009, the Planning Commission and City Council held an annual review of the Bellevue Ranch Development Agreement in relation to the development of Bellevue Ranch West and found that Woodside, the property owner at the time, was not in "good faith compliance" with the terms of the Development Agreement, including failure to construct a bike path along Cottonwood Creek from R to G Streets and being delinquent in payments to the Communities Facilities District (CFD) for maintenance of infrastructure and impacts on public safety. The City Council subsequently adopted Ordinance #2331 on May 4, 2009, which terminated the Development Agreement for Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10, and modified the term of the Development Agreement from 40 years to 25 years for the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West. Attachment D contains the Original Development Agreement along with the 1st and 2nd Amendments adopted in 1996, and modifications adopted by Ordinance #2331 in 2009. Attachment A consists of several maps showing the project location, the General Plan designations for the entire Bellevue Ranch area, and the current plans for Bellevue Ranch West.

Most of the single-family subdivisions in Bellevue Ranch East have developed, but the multifamily and commercial adjacent to Bellevue Road have remained vacant. Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 (single-family subdivisions south of Cardella), and Village 10 (single-family subdivision north of Cardella) of Bellevue Ranch West have also developed.

In 2012, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc. acquired the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West and also acquired Bellevue Ranch North.

FINDINGS/CONSIDERATIONS:

General Plan/Zoning Compliance

A) The proposed project complies with the General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); the Master Development Plan for Bellevue Ranch (adopted on May 15, 1995); and the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42.

Bellevue Ranch West Development Progress

B) In 2012, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc. acquired the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West as well as Bellevue Ranch North. Since that time, the property owners have been making steady progress on the development of Bellevue Ranch West and North. In 2016, the City approved Tentative Subdivision Map #1304 for Village 12, for 242 single-family lots just north of Village 10. Village 12 has begun to develop with Final Maps recorded for all seven Phases. In 2018, Tentative Subdivision Map #1307 was granted for Lot A of Village 12 for another 43 single-family lots in place of a park and school site which were moved to another portion of Bellevue Ranch West. (A Final Map was recorded for Village 12 Lot A as well.) Approximately 36 homes have been completed and sold in Village 12 thus far. Also in 2018, Tentative Subdivision Map #1308 was approved for 14 large lots in Villages 17 through 22, the first step in developing those properties, with a Final Map subsequently recorded. In 2019, Tentative Subdivision Map #1310 was approved for Villages 17 and 18 for 249 single-family lots, with Final Map applications filed for Village 17 (61 lots) and Village 18A, Phase 1 (45 lots).

City staff has also been working with the developers on a weekly basis for over 2 years on various future amendments to the Master Development Plan to reflect changes to the MDP to address critical infrastructure financing and phasing and changes in circulation patterns, recently identified wetlands in Bellevue Ranch North, the change in the configuration of Fahrens Creek (the original proposal to channelize the creek along R Street will no longer be possible given wetlands and habitat issues), etc. The developers and City staff hope to be able to bring a comprehensive amendment to address all these issues to the Planning Commission and City Council for consideration in the near future.

C) Progress has also been made on the development of Bellevue Ranch North with the following Tentative Subdivision Maps approved: 1) #1280 for Villages 23-36 for 30 large lots, originally approved in 2006 and extended in 2018; and, 2) #1305 for Village 23 (58 single-family lots) in 2019. Final Map applications have been filed for Villages 23, 21, and 29.

<u>Assessments</u>

D) In 2009, the Development Agreement for the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West was modified from 40 years to 25 years for failure to install required infrastructure and for delinquent assessments by the previous property owner, Woodside Homes. In checking with the City's Finance Department, the current property owner, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc., is up to date through the most recent reporting period on their assessments.

Development Agreement Findings

E) Merced Municipal Code (MMC) Chapter 20.86--Development Agreements (Attachment C of Planning Commission Staff Report #20-15) spells out procedures for adopting and amending Development Agreements, which includes the requirement for public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council for adoption and amendments (MMC 20.86.050—Public Notice and Hearings and MMC 20.86.140—Amendment or Termination). Per Merced Municipal Code Section 20.86.080, the City Council may approve an application for a Development Agreement only if the following finding can be made.

MMC 20.86.080--Finding.

1. The City Council may approve an application for a Development Agreement only if the Development Agreement is consistent with the General Plan and any applicable specific or community plan.

As noted in Finding A of Staff Report #20-15 (above), the proposed project complies with the General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); the Master Development Plan for Bellevue Ranch (adopted on May 15, 1995); and the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42.

- F) In addition to the Finding above, Merced Municipal Code Section 20.86.030—Review Authority, states that "Procedures for considering Development Agreements are spelled out in this chapter and in City Council Resolution No. 1995-06, adopted on February 6, 1995. Resolution No. 1995-06, in Section 301, spells out that the Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council should include the following determination whether or not the Development Agreement proposed:
 - 1. Is consistent with the objectives, policies, general land uses and programs specified in the general plan and any applicable specific plan?

As noted in Finding A of Staff Report #20-15 (above), the proposed project complies with the General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); and the Master Development Plan for Bellevue Ranch (adopted on May 15, 1995).

2. Is compatible with the uses authorized in, and the regulations prescribed for, the land use district in which the real property is located?

As noted in Finding A of Staff Report #20-15 (above), the proposed project complies with the uses and regulations in the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42. The uses and regulations for Planned Development #42 match those of the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan.

3. Is in conformity with public convenience, general welfare, and good land use practice?

The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan was adopted in 1995 and contains a mixture of residential and commercial land uses that closely match the Urban Village Land Use Policies of the *Merced Vision 2030 General Plan*. Therefore, the Master Plan reflects the City's goals regarding land use and development as prescribed in the General Plan and thus represents good land use practice. There is nothing in the Master Plan or Development Agreement that interferes with public convenience or the general welfare.

4. Will be detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare?

Since the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan and its associated Development Agreement conforms to the City's General Plan and Zoning Ordinance, development within the area will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare.

5. Will adversely affect the orderly development of property or the preservation of property valued?

The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan and the associated Development Agreement were designed to ensure the orderly development of the property and the preservation of property values by addressing land use, circulation, public facilities and services, parks and open space, and infrastructure phasing and financing for all future development in the area.

Environmental Clearance

G) Planning staff has conducted an environmental review (#20-12) of the project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and a Categorical Exemption is being recommended (Attachment E of Planning Commission Staff Report #20-15).

Attachments:

- A) Location Map/General Plan Designations/Bellevue Ranch West Master Plan
- B) Draft Ordinance
- C) Development Agreements Zoning Chapter 20.86
- D) Bellevue Ranch Development Agreement as Amended (Original, 1st and 2nd Amendments, and Ordinance #2331)
- E) Categorical Exemption
- F) Draft Planning Commission Resolution

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ATTACHMENT A—Page 2

BELLEVUE RANCH WEST

Merced, California

Conceptual Master Site Plan



ATTACHMENT A—Page 3

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1906 TO MODIFY THE TERM OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH FOR THE REMAINING PORTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH WEST FROM 25 YEARS TO 40 YEARS

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1906 adopted on June 5, 1995, the City Council approved a Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch (the "Development Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1929 adopted on February 5, 1996, the City Council approved a First Amendment to the Development Agreement that made minor changes to the Development Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1944 adopted on September 16, 1996, the City Council approved a Second Amendment to the Development Agreement that made additional minor changes to the Development Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2331 adopted on May 4, 2009, the City Council approved modifications to the Development Agreement which terminated the agreement for Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 and modified the term of the Agreement for the remaining portion of Bellevue Ranch West from 40 years to 25 years; and,

WHEREAS, The rights, duties, and obligations under the Development Agreement as it relates to the portion of Bellevue Ranch commonly known as Bellevue Ranch West have been transferred to Baxter Ranches, LLC, and Stonefield Home, Inc. (hereafter, collectively "Stonefield"); and,

WHEREAS, On June 24, 2020, the Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider the request by Stonefield to modify the terms of the Agreement for the remainder of Bellevue Ranch West from 25 years to 40 years; and,

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommended that the City Council modify the term of the Development Agreement for the remaining parcels in

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Bellevue Ranch West owned by Stonefield from the existing 25-year term (terminating in 2020 to a 40-year term (terminating in 2035); and,

WHEREAS, On June 29, 2020, the City Council held a public hearing to consider modifying the term of the Agreement from 25 to 40 years, providing all those who wished to speak the opportunity to do so.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS. The City Council finds that:

A. Stonefield is in good-faith compliance with the terms of the Development Agreement, as it relates to the properties in Bellevue Ranch West, which are more fully described in Exhibits "A" and "B" attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein by this reference. Stonefield has been fulfilling its obligations to construct various improvements and is actively constructing homes in the area and thus, merits an extension of the terms of the Agreement from 25 to 40 years (the original term).

SECTION 2. MODIFICATION OF THE TERM OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH AS TO A PORTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH WEST. Based upon the findings in Section 1 of the Development Agreement and pursuant to Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement and Government Code Section 65865.1, the City Council hereby amends Ordinance No. 1906 to modify the term of the Development Agreement from twenty-five (25) years to forty (40) years as to those portions of Bellevue Ranch West that are more fully described in Exhibit "A". The Development Agreement is hereby modified from 25 years to 40 years as to those parcels described in Exhibit "A".

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance, 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 of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause,

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phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption showing the vote thereon.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the ____ day of _____, 2020, and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the ____ day of _____, 2020, by the following called vote:

AYES:Council Members:NOES:Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST: STEVE CARRIGAN, CITY CLERK

BY:

Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM: City Attorney

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ALL THAT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BEING PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 6 AND 7, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST, MOUNT DIABLO BASE AND MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF MERCED, COUNTY OF MERCED, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, MORE PARTICULARY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEING LOTS V17-B, V17-C, V18-A, V18-B, V18-C, V19-A, V19-B, V19-C, V21-A, V21-B, V22-A, V22-B AND THE UNSURVEYED REMAINDER AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGES 17-22 FILED IN VOLUME 81 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 1-9, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS.

TOGETHER WITH

PARCEL FOUR AS DESCRIBED IN DOCUMENT NO. 2012-032102, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS.

TOGETHER WITH

ALL OF THE RESIDENTIAL LOTS AS SHOWN ON THE FOLLOWING EIGHT (8) MAPS:

- 1) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 1, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 1-6, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS; EXCEPTING THEREFROM LOTS 25, 27, 97-103, AND 105-117, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP;
- 2) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 2, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 7-11, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS; EXCEPTING THEREFROM LOTS 142, 144, 146, 148-151, AND 184-190, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP;
- 3) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 3, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 12-16, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS;
- 4) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 4, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 41-44, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS;
- 5) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 5, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 45-47, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS;
- 6) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 6, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 17-20, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS;
- 7) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, PHASE 7, FILED IN VOLUME 80 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 48-51, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS;
- 8) BELLEVUE RANCH WEST, VILLAGE 12, LOT A, FILED IN VOLUME 81 OF OFFICIAL PLATS, AT PAGES 17-19, MERCED COUNTY RECORDS.

SAID PROPERTY ALSO BEING KNOWN AS ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS (APN) 224-300-002 THROUGH 013; 224-300-015; 230-010-012; 230-010-023; 224-220-001 THROUGH 007, 224-220-009, 224-220-011 THROUGH 023; 224-220-031; 224-220-047; 224-220-049; 224-220-051; 224-220-056 THROUGH 065; 224-230-001 THROUGH 054; 224-240-001 THROUGH 018; 224-250-001 THROUGH 030; 224-260-001 THROUGH 015; 224-270-001 THROUGH 019; 224-270-021 THROUGH 063; AND 224-280-001 THROUGH 035.

CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 235.68 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.



Chapter 20.86 - DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS

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20.86.010 Purpose

A Development Agreement is a contract between the City and an applicant for a development project, in compliance with Government Code Section 65864 et seq. The purpose of a Development Agreement is to:

- **A.** Facilitate development projects for which there is significant applicant contribution toward infrastructure, public facilities, open space or other amenities, or other programs of benefit to the City and its residents.
- **B.** Assure the applicant that upon approval of the subject project, the project may proceed in accordance with existing City policies, rules, and regulations in place at the time of Development Agreement approval.
- **C.** Encourage private participation in comprehensive planning and provision of public facilities, including, but not limited to, streets, sewage, transportation, potable water, schools and utilities.
- **D.** Provide a net benefit to the City and its residents not otherwise obtainable through other processes.

20.86.020 Applicability

- A. The City may enter into a Development Agreement with any person or their authorized agent who has legal or equitable interest in real property for the development of the property.
- **B.** The procedures and regulations of this chapter are not meant to preclude or limit the power of the City to approve and implement Development Agreements by other means.

20.86.030 Review Authority

A Development Agreement is a legislative act. The City Council shall take action on all Development Agreement applications after considering the recommendation of the Planning Commission and City staff. Procedures for considering Development Agreements are spelled out in this chapter and in City Council Resolution No. 1995-06, adopted on February 6, 1995.

20.86.040 Application Submittal and Review



An application for a Development Agreement shall be filed and reviewed in compliance with Chapter 20.66 (Permit Application and Review). The application shall include the information and materials specified by the Development Services Department, together with all required fees.

20.86.050 Public Notice and Hearings

Public notice and hearing for an application for a Development Agreement shall be provided in compliance with Chapter 20.70 (Public Notice and Hearings).

20.86.060 Planning Commission Action

After the public hearing on a Development Agreement application, City staff shall forward a written recommendation of the Planning Commission. The recommendation shall be transmitted to the City Council within 90 calendar days after the date the hearing was closed to the public.



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20.86.070 City Council Action

A. Approval or Denial.

- 1. Upon receipt of the Planning Commission's recommendation on a Development Agreement application, the City Council shall conduct a public hearing and take action on the application.
- 2. The action by the City Council shall be by a majority vote of the entire Council and shall be final and conclusive.

B. Referral to Commission.

 If the City Council proposes to adopt a substantial modification to the Development Agreement not previously considered by the Planning Commission, the proposed modification may be first referred to the Planning Commission for its recommendation.



2. Failure of the Planning Commission to report back to the City Council within 60

calendar days following the referral or other such time set by the Council shall be deemed an approval by the Planning Commission of the proposed modification.

C. Adoption by Ordinance. If the City Council approves the Development Agreement, it shall do so by adoption of an ordinance. The effective date of the Development Agreement shall be the effective date of the ordinance approving the Development Agreement.

20.86.080 Finding

The City Council may approve an application for a Development Agreement only if the Development Agreement is consistent with the General Plan and any applicable specific or community plan.

20.86.090 Conditions of Approval

The City Council may attach conditions to the approval of a Development Agreement as needed to ensure compliance with all applicable policies, standards, and regulations in the General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and other titles of the Merced Municipal Code.

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20.86.100 Content of the Development Agreement

- **A. Mandatory Contents.** All Development Agreements shall specify all of the following:
 - 1. The specified duration of the Development Agreement.
 - 2. The permitted uses of the subject property.
 - 3. The permitted density or intensity of development of the subject property.
 - 4. The maximum permitted height and size of proposed structures.
 - 5. Provisions for the dedication or preservation of land for public purposes, if applicable.



B. Optional Contents. Development Agreements may specify any of the following:

1. The conditions, terms, restrictions, and requirements for subsequent discretionary actions, as long as such provisions do not prevent development of the land for the uses and the density or intensity as set forth in the agreement.

2. Requirements that construction be commenced within a specified time and that the project or any phase of the project be completed within a specified time.

3. Terms and conditions related to applicant financing of necessary public facilities and subsequent reimbursement over time.

20.86.110 Recordation

- **A.** Within 10 calendar days after the City enters a Development Agreement, the City Clerk shall record the agreement with the County Recorder.
- **B.** The City Clerk shall record with the County Recorder if at any time the Development Agreement is amended, cancelled, terminated, or modified.

20.86.120 Effect of Development Agreement

Unless otherwise provided by the Development Agreement, the rules, regulations, and official policies governing allowed uses of the land, density, design, improvement, and construction standards and specifications applicable to development of the property subject to a Development Agreement are the rules, regulations, and official policies in force at the time of execution of the Agreement.

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20.86.130 Periodic Review

A. The City may perform a periodic review of the Development Agreement at any time that the City considers to be appropriate, but no more than once every 12 months, at which time the property owner shall demonstrate good faith compliance with the terms and conditions of the Development Agreement. The review shall be limited in scope to compliance with the terms and conditions of the Development Agreement.



B. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee shall begin the review by giving notice to the property owner that the City intends to undertake a review of the Development Agreement. The Planning Commission shall hold a noticed public hearing to assess compliance with the terms and conditions of the Development Agreement. Public notice shall be given at least 10 calendar days in advance of the day the

Planning Commission will be conducting the review.

- **C.** The costs of notice and related costs incurred by the City for review shall be borne by the property owner.
- **D.** If the Planning Commission finds the property owner has complied in good faith with the terms and conditions of the Development Agreement during the period under review, the review for that period is concluded.
- E. Failure of the City to conduct a periodic review shall not constitute a waiver by the City of its rights to enforce the provisions of the Development Agreement. The property owner shall not assert any defense to the enforcement of the Development Agreement by reason of the failure of the City to conduct a periodic review.

20.86.140 Amendment or Termination

A. General.

- 1. Either the property owner or the City may propose an amendment to or cancellation in whole or in part of an existing Development Agreement.
- 2. Except as specified in Section B below, the procedure for proposing and adopting an amendment to or cancellation in whole or in part of the Development Agreement is the same as the procedure for entering into an Agreement.

B. Amendment or Termination Following Periodic Review. If, as a result of review under Section 20.86.130 (Periodic Review), the City determines that the property owner has not complied in good faith with the terms and conditions of the Development Agreement, the City may modify or terminate the Development Agreement.

20.86.150 Pre-Annexation Development Agreements

A. Pre-Annexation Development Agreement Required. Prior to annexation into the City of Merced, the owner of any property located in unincorporated Merced County shall enter into a Pre-Annexation Development Agreement with the City in a manner consistent with the requirements of this chapter and City Council Resolution No. 2005-101, adopted on September 6, 2005.



B. Operative Date. A Pre-Annexation Development Agreement established prior to annexation shall not become operative unless annexation proceedings are completed by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) within the period of time specified by the Agreement. If the annexation is not completed within the time specified in the Agreement or any extension of the Agreement, the Agreement is null and void.



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City of Merced, A California charter municipal corporation

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City of Merced City Clerk 678 West 18th Street Merced, California 95340

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Merced County Recorder

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Ordinance No. 2331

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Amending Ordinance No. 1906 to Terminate the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch as to Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10, and Modify the Term of the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch for the Remaining Portion of Bellevue Ranch West from 40 Years to 20 Years



CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, JOHN M. BRAMBLE, City Clerk of the City of Merced, California, do hereby certify that the attached document, entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2331

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1906 TO TERMINATE THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH AS TO VILLAGES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 10 AND MODIFY THE TERM OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH FOR THE REMAINING PORTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH WEST FROM 40 YEARS TO 25 YEARS.

is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the Office of the Merced City Clerk, Merced, California.

JOHN M. BRAMBLE, CITY CLERK

BK: Jamie Fanconi

Deputy City Clerk

DATED: May 18, 2009



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WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1906 adopted on June 5, 1995, the City Council approved a Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch (the "Development Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1929 adopted on February 5, 1996, the City Council approved a First Amendment to the Development Agreement that made minor changes to the Development Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance No. 1944 adopted on September 16, 1996, the City Council approved a Second Amendment to the Development Agreement that made additional minor changes to the Development Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, The rights, duties, and obligations under the Development Agreement as it relates to the portion of Bellevue Ranch commonly known as Bellevue Ranch West have been transferred to Woodside Homes and its related entities, Woodside Meadows, Walnut Creek Development, and Danville Land Investments (hereafter, collectively "Woodside"); and,

WHEREAS, Under the provisions of Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement, the City is entitled to conduct an annual review of the Development Agreement to review the extent of good faith compliance by Woodside and the other developers within Bellevue Ranch; and,

WHEREAS, On March 4, 2009, the Planning Commission held an annual review pursuant to Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement to determine if

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WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommended that the City Council terminate the Development Agreement for Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 and reduce the term of the Development Agreement for the remaining parcels in Bellevue Ranch West owned by Woodside from the existing 40-year term (terminating in 2035) to a 25-year term (terminating in 2020); and,

WHEREAS, On April 20, 2009, the City Council held an annual review pursuant to Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement to determine if Woodside was in compliance with the terms of the Development Agreement, providing all those who wished to speak the opportunity to do so.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS. The City Council finds that:

A. As the master developer of Bellevue Ranch West, Woodside has specific obligations to construct various public improvements within Bellevue Ranch pursuant to the provisions of the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan, as well as the City's General Plan. One of these obligations is to construct a bike path and related improvements along Cottonwood Creek between "R" Street (extended) and "G" Street. By failing to construct this bike path, Woodside is in violation of the Development Agreement, which requires Woodside to comply with the provisions of the Bellevue Ranch Master Plan (Section 4.2(b) and Plan conditions (Section 4.2(c).)

B. Woodside is in violation of Section 4.4 of the Development Agreement, which requires Woodside to pay assessments from maintenance assessment districts formed in connection with the subdivision of Bellevue Ranch West, as well as a public safety fee. Woodside is currently delinquent in payments to CFD 2005-1 (Bellevue Ranch West).

C. Woodside is not in good-faith compliance with the terms of the Development Agreement, as it relates to the properties in Bellevue Ranch West, which are more fully described in Exhibits "A" and "B" attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein by this reference.

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SECTION 2. TERMINATION OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AS TO VILLAGES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 10 OF BELLEVUE RANCH. Based upon the findings in Section 1 of this Ordinance and pursuant to Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement and Government Code Section 65865.1, the City Council hereby amends Ordinance No. 1906 to terminates the Development Agreement as to Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 of Bellevue Ranch, the legal descriptions of which are attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit "A". The Development Agreement is hereby terminated as to Villages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10.

SECTION 3. MODIFICATION OF THE TERM OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH AS TO A PORTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH WEST. Based upon the findings in Section 1 of the Development Agreement and pursuant to Section 20.3 of the Development Agreement and Government Code Section 65865.1, the City Council hereby amends Ordinance No. 1906 to modify the term of the Development Agreement from forty (40) years to twenty-five (25) years as to those portions of Bellevue Ranch West that are more fully described in Exhibit "B". The Development Agreement is hereby modified from 40 years to 25 years as to those parcels described in Exhibit B.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance, 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 of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption showing the vote thereon.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the <u>20th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2009, and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the <u>4th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2009, by the following called vote:

AYES: Council Members: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE, GABRIAULT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN

NOES: Council Members: NONE

ABSTAIN: Council Members: NONE

ABSENT: Council Members: NONE

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST: CITX-CLERK BY: Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ken Gel 4/14/29 City Attorney Date



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All that real property situated in a portion of Section 6 and Section 7, Township 7 South, Range 14 East, M.D.B.& M., City of Merced, County of Merced, State of California, said real property being more particularly described as follows:

All that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 100, Lot A, Lot B, Lot C, and Lot D, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5286 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 1", recorded on August 25, 2005 in Book 68, of Official Plats, at Pages 41 through 51, Merced County Records.

TOGETHER WITH all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 137, Lot A, and Lot B, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5307 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 2", recorded on October 06, 2005 in Book 70, of Official Plats, at Pages 18 through 26, Merced County Records.

TOGETHER WITH all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 90, Lot A, Lot B, Lot C, Lot D, Lot E, Lot F, and Lot G, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5308 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 3", recorded on October 06, 2005 in Book 70, of Official Plats, at Pages 27 through 37, Merced County Records.

TOGETHER WITH all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 89, and Lot A, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5296 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 4", recorded on October 06, 2005 in Book 70, of Official Plats, at Pages 38 through 46, Merced County Records.

TOGETHER WITH all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 156, Lot A, Lot B, and Lot C, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5327 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 5", recorded on September 07, 2005 in Book 69, of Official Plats, at Pages 18 through 28, Merced County Records.

TOGETHER WITH all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 139, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5302 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 10", recorded on October 06, 2005 in Book 70, of Official Plats, at Pages 47 through 55, Merced County Records.





PARCEL#1

All that real property situated in a portion of Section 6, Township 7 South, Range 14 East, M.D.B.& M., City of Merced, County of Merced, State of California, said real property being more particularly described as follows:

All that portion of Parcel 2, Parcel 3 and the Designated Remainder, as said Parcels are delineated on that certain map entitled "PARCEL MAP CITY OF MERCED SUBDIVION NO 04-02", recorded on March 23, 2004 in Book 95, of Parcel Maps, at Pages 50 through 51, Merced County Records.

EXEPTING THEREFROM all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 139, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5302 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 10", recorded on October 06, 2005 in Book 70, of Official Plats, at Pages 47 through 55, Merced County Records.

EXEPTING THEREFROM all that portion of Lot 1 through Lot 156, Lot A, Lot B, and Lot C, as said Lots are delineated on that certain map entitled "SUBDIVISION MAP NO. 5327 BELLEVUE RANCH WEST VILLAGE 5", recorded on September 07, 2005 in Book 69, of Official Plats, at Pages 18 through 28, Merced County Records.

PARCEL # 2

All that real property situated in a portion of Section 7, Township 7 South, Range 14 East, M.D.B.& M., City of Merced, County of Merced, State of California, said real property being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of said Section 7; thence South 01°25'30" West for 3752.55 feet along the West line of said Section 7, to a point thereon and the center line of Fahrens Creek; thence the following courses and distances along the center line of said Fahrens Creek, South 70°04'30" East, for 351.57 feet; thence North 57°14'30" East, for 158.55 feet; thence North 02°31' East, for 257.22 feet; thence North 35°12'30" West, for 244.85 feet; thence North 06°56'30" West, for 164.86 feet; thence North 12°17' East, for 252.63 feet; thence North 50°51'30" East, for 253.91 feet; thence North 15°33'30" East, for 71.47 feet; thence North 30°26'30" East, for 177.57 feet; thence North 18°27' West, for 366.68 feet; thence North 30°26'30" East, for 177.57 feet; thence North 18°27' West, for 59.88 feet; thence leaving the center line of said Fahrens Creek, North 89°32'25" East, for 2173.69 feet to a point on the center line of a traveled road; thence North 00°23'15" East,



for 1213.04 feet along the center line of said traveled road, to a point on the center line of Cottonwood Creek; thence the following courses and distances along the center line of said Cottonwood Creek, North 49°20'45" East, for 145.48 feet; thence North 65°59'15" East, for 535.28 feet; thence North 54°30'30" East, for 189.47 feet; thence North 19°54'15" West, for 106.85 feet; thence North 79°07'30" East, for 94.15 feet; thence South 41°14' East, for 197.05 feet; thence North 80°49'15' East, for 204.90 feet; thence South 34°06'45" East, for 187.45 feet; thence South 64°30' East, for 339.93 feet; thence South 36°50'30" East, for 198.23 feet; thence So3°44'45" East, for 119.20 feet; thence North 43°55'15" East, for 138.88 feet; thence North 12°53'45" East, for 214.51 feet; thence North 36°48'45" East, for 138.31 feet; thence North 88°30'15" East, for 666.90 feet to a point on the East line of said Section 7; thence North 00°18'15" East, for 729.23 feet along the East line of said Section 7 to the Northeast corner thereof; thence South 89°23'30" West, for 5025.01 feet along the North line of said Section 7, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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ORDINANCE NO. 1944

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCED AND BELLEVUE RANCH

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Merced has recommended that the City Council approve the Second Amendment to the Development Agreement by and between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch Associates and Bellevue Ranch Partners, attached hereto and herein incorporated into the provisions of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after due notice, the City Council did conduct a public hearing on this matter, wherein all persons desiring to be heard were heard; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the attached Second Amendment to Development Agreement and determined the content of the Second Amendment and the actions of the Planning Commission to be complete and correct; and

WHEREAS, the attached Second Amendment to Development Agreement is in the public interest and is consistent with the Merced General Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines the facts stated above to be true.

SECTION 2. The City Council further finds, with respect to the attached Second Amendment to Development Agreement, that:

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a. It is consistent with the objective policies and programs specified in the General Plan.

b. It is compatible with the uses authorized in the regulations prescribed for the zone in which the real property is located.

c. It will not be detrimental to the public health, safety and general welfare.

d. It will promote the orderly development of property or the preservation of the property values in accordance with good land use practice.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby approves the Second Amendment to Development Agreement in the form attached hereto and authorizes and directs the Mayor to enter into that Agreement in the name of the City of Merced and further directs the City Clerk to record said Second Amendment to the Agreement and this Ordinance with the County Recorder within ten (10) days of its effective date of adoption.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a copy of this ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the 3rd day of September 1996 and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said Council



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held on the <u>16th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 1996, by the following called vote:

AYES:	Council Members:	THURSTON, MOORE, WALSH, AMEY, SULLIVAN, KNUDSEN, BERNASCONI
NOES:	Council Members:	
ABSTAIN:	Council Members:	NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members:	NONE

APPROVED:

Richard Benaconi

ATTEST:

JAMES G, CITY CLERK MARSHALL, BY: Clerk Deputy Gity

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SECOND AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH

This Second Amendment to Development Agreement was made and entered into in the City of Merced on this 3^{rd} day of Sep_{p} , 1996 by and between the City of Merced, a municipal corporation ("CITY") and Bellevue Ranch Associates, a California limited partnership, Bellevue Ranch Partners, a California limited partnership ("Bellevue").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS City and Bellevue entered into a Development Agreement dated June 5, 1995 and recorded at Volume 3370, Page 576, Instrument No. 21102, Merced County Records on July 11, 1995 affecting the land described in Exhibit A hereto; and

WHEREAS the parties desire to amend said Agreement to extend the time for annexation,

NOW, THEREFORE CITY AND BELLEVUE agree to amend the Development Agreement as follows:

1. Section 19 of the Development Agreement is amended to provide that the deadline for annexation of the Initial Annexed Property is extended twelve (12) months from the date this Second Amendment to Development Agreement is recorded.

2. Except as herein amended, the Development Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF City and Bellevue have executed and approved this Second Amendment to Development Agreement as of the date set forth above.

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- BY: D. R.STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner
 - BY: D. R. STEPHENS & COMPANY, a California limited partnership, General Partner

BY: D. R. STEPHENS SEPARATE /PROPERTY TRUST, U/A/D/ MAY 1, 1985, General Partner BY: D. R. STEPHENS, Trustee

BELLEVUE RANCH ASSOCIATES, a California limited partnership

- BY: D. R. STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner
- BY: D. R. STEPHENS & COMPANY, a California Limited partnership, General Partner

BY: D. R. STEPHENS SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST U/A/D MAY 1/ V983, General Partner BX: D. R. STEPHENS, Trustee

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DESCRIPTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH ANNEXATION

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CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, JAMES G. MARSHALL, City Clerk of the City of Merced, California, do hereby certify that the attached documents, entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 1944

Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merced Approving Second Amendment to Development Agreement between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch

is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the Office of the City Clerk, Merced, California.

JAMES G. MARSHALL, CITY CLERK

DATED: September 23, 1996

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Approving First Amendment to Development Agreement between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch

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CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, JAMES G. MARSHALL, City Clerk of the City of Merced, California, do hereby certify that the attached documents, entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 1929

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCED AND BELLEVUE RANCH

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JAMES G. MARSHALL, CITY CLERK

DATED: February 12, 1996

BY: DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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ORDINANCE NO. 1929

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCED AND BELLEVUE RANCH

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Merced has recommended that the City Council approve the First Amendment to the Development Agreement by and between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch Associates and Bellevue Ranch Partners, attached hereto and herein incorporated into the provisions of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after due notice, the City Council did conduct a public hearing on this matter, wherein all persons desiring to be heard were heard; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the attached First Amendment to Development Agreement and determined the content of the First Amendment and the actions of the Planning Commission to be complete and correct; and

WHEREAS, the attached First Amendment to Development Agreement is in the public interest and is consistent with the Merced General Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines the facts stated above to be true.

SECTION 2. The City Council further finds, with respect to the attached First Amendment to Development Agreement, that:

a. It is consistent with the objective policies and programs specified in the General Plan.

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b. It is compatible with the uses authorized in the regulations prescribed for the zone in which the real property is located.

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c. It will not be detrimental to the public health, safety and general welfare.

d. It will promote the orderly development of property or the preservation of the property values in accordance with good land use practice.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby approves the First Amendment to Development Agreement in the form attached hereto and authorizes and directs the Mayor to enter into that Agreement in the name of the City of Merced and further directs the City Clerk to record said First Amendment to the Agreement and this Ordinance with the County Recorder within ten (10) days of its effective date of adoption.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a copy of this ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the 16th day of January, 1996 and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said Council held on the <u>5th</u> day of <u>February</u>, 1996, by the following called vote:

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AYES: Council Members: AMEY, KNUDSEN, MOORE, SULLIVAN, THURSTON, WALSH, BERNASCONI

NOES: Council Members: NONE

ABSTAIN: Council Members: NONE

ABSENT: Council Members: NONE

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JAMES G. MARSHALL, CITY CLERK BY: Deputy gity Clerk

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH

This First Amendment to Development Agreement was made and entered into in the City of Merced on this <u>A</u> day of <u>Februa</u>, 1996 by and between the City of Merced, a municipal corporation ("CITY") and Bellevue Ranch Associates, a California limited partnership, Bellevue Ranch Partners, a California limited partnership ("Bellevue").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS City and Bellevue entered into a Development Agreement dated June 5, 1995 and recorded at Volume 3370, Page 576, Instrument No. 21102, Merced County Records on July 11, 1995 affecting the land described in Exhibit A hereto; and

WHEREAS the parties desire to amend said Agreement to extend the time for annexation,

NOW, THEREFORE CITY AND BELLEVUE agree to amend the Development Agreement as follows:

1. Section 19 of the Development Agreement is amended to provide that the deadline for annexation of the Initial Annexed Property is extended six (6) months from the date this First Amendment to Development Agreement is recorded.

2. Subsection c. of Section 4.6 of the Development Agreement is amended to provide that the City shall develop a fee or reimbursement program/ordinance within six (6) months following annexation of the Initially Annexed Property.

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3. Except as herein amended, the Development Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF City and Bellevue have executed and approved this First Amendment to Development Agreement as of the date set forth above.

"CITY"

CITY OF MERCED, a Municipal Corporation
BY: CITY MANAGER
ATTEST.
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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"BELLEVUE"

BELLEVUE RANCH PARTNERS NO. 20, LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner

- BY: D. R.STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner
 - BY: D. R. STEPHENS & COMPANY, a California limited partnership, General Partner BY: D. R. STEPHENS SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST U/A/D/ MAY 1, 1983, General Partner BY: D. K. STEPHENS, Trustee

BELLEVUE RANCH ASSOCIATES, a California limited partnership

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BY: D. R. STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a

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California limited partnership, General Partner

BY: D. R. STEPHENS & COMPANY, a California limited partnershp, General Partner 1



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Notary Public

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ORDINANCE NO. 1906

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCED AND BELLEVUE RANCH

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Merced has recommended that the City Council approve a Development Agreement by and between the City of Merced and Bellevue Ranch Associates and Bellevue Ranch Partners, attached hereto and hereby incorporated into the provisions of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after due notice the City Council did conduct a public hearing on this matter, wherein all persons desiring to be heard were heard; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has reviewed and considered the attached Agreement and determined the content of the Agreement and the actions of the Planning Commission to be complete and correct; and

WHEREAS, the attached Agreement is in the public interest and is consistent with the Merced General Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines the facts stated above to be true, and finds and certifies the approval of an Environmental Impact Report, in accordance with the provisions of Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq. of the State of California.

SECTION 2. The City Council further finds, with respect to the attached Agreement, that:

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a. It is consistent with the objectives, policies and programs specified in the General Plan.

b. It is compatible with the uses authorized in, and the regulations prescribed for, the zone in which the real property is located.

c. It will not be detrimental to the public health, safety and general welfare.

d. It will promote the orderly development of property or the preservation of property values in accordance with good land use practice.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby approves the Development Agreement, in the form attached hereto, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to enter into said Agreement in the name of the City of Merced, and, further, directs the City Clerk to record said Agreement and this Ordinance with the County Recorder within ten (10) days of its effective date of adoption.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a copy of this ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the 15th day of May, 1995, and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said

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Council held on the 5th day of June, 1995, by the following called vote:

AYES: Council Members: GARCIA, DIAS, CARDOZA, KNUDSEN, BERNASCONI

NOES: Council Members: NONE

ABSTAIN: Council Members: NONE

ABSENT: Council Members: HASSETT,)ONE VACANCY)

ATTEST:

JAMES G. MARSHALL, CITY CLERK

Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

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CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, JAMES G. MARSHALL, City Clerk of the City of Merced, California, do hereby certify that the attached documents, entitled:

ORDINANCE 1906

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCED AND BELLEVUE RANCH

are true and correct copies of the original on file in the Office of the City Clerk, Merced, California.

JAMES G. MARSHALL, CITY CLERK



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DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR BELLEVUE RANCH

THIS DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT is made and entered into in the City of Merced on this <u>5th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 1995, by and between the CITY OF MERCED, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as "City"), and BELLEVUE RANCH ASSOCIATES, a California Limited Partnership, BELLEVUE RANCH PARTNERS, a California Limited Partnership (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Bellevue").

RECITALS

This Agreement is predicated upon the following facts:

1. Government Code Sections 65864 - 65869.5 authorize the City of Merced to enter into binding development agreements with persons having legal or equitable interests in real property for the development of such property;

2. Under Section 65865 the City of Merced has adopted rules and regulations establishing procedures and requirements for consideration of development agreements;

3. Bellevue has requested the City of Merced to consider entering into a Development Agreement and proceedings have been taken in accordance with the City's rules and regulations;

4. The City Council has found that the Development

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June 6, 1995 VOL **3370** PAGE **576** Agreement is consistent with the General Plan;

5. Bellevue owns fee title to those certain parcels of land, consisting of 1,366 acres, located in the County of Merced expected to be annexed to the City of Merced (the Property more particularly described in Exhibit A.)

The real property that is subject to this Agreement is described in Exhibit "B" of this Agreement, and such other portions of the real property, described in Exhibit "A", when, and if such property, is in fact, annexed to the City of Merced;

6. Development of the Property in accordance with the Plan and in particular the phasing conditions thereof will provide for orderly growth in accordance with the policies and goals set forth in the City's General Plan;

7. For the reasons cited herein Bellevue and the City have determined that development of the Property is a development for which this Agreement is appropriate. This Agreement will eliminate uncertainty in planning, provide for orderly development, insure the installation of the necessary public improvements, provide for public services appropriate to the Development of the property, and otherwise achieve the goals and purposes for which the Development Agreement statute was enacted; and

8. On <u>June 5</u>, 1995, the City Council of the City of Merced adopted Ordinance No. <u>1906</u>, approving this Development Agreement and that Ordinance will take effect <u>July 5</u>,

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NOW, THEREFORE, with reference to the foregoing recitals and in consideration of the mutual promises, obligations and covenants herein contained, the City and Bellevue agree as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

Section 1.1. "<u>Category 1 Improvements</u>" will be constructed as a part of the Bellevue Ranch Project and will be fully attributable to benefiting Bellevue Ranch. This category of improvements include the following: Curb, gutter and sidewalk, all local and collector street paving, street lighting, local sanitary sewer collection systems, local on-site storm drainage collection systems, including pump stations, detention facilities, pipes, manholes, inlet structures and outlet structures, domestic water and fire flow distributions systems, piping, valves and hydrants, arterial, road, curb, gutter, sidewalk, and street lighting. In addition, such other improvements as are necessary to effectively and safely serve the Bellevue Ranch Project are included."

Section 1.2. "<u>Category 2 Improvements</u>" refer to public improvements required to develop the Property where oversizing of facilities is required due to the expectation that said facilities will not only be used by Bellevue Ranch but also adjacent parcels which may develop in the future and will require service from the improvements or facilities. Such improvements include:

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- a. "G" Street trunk sewer from Yosemite 'Avenue north to Cardella Road and the M Street and R Street trunk sewers in accordance with the North Merced Sewer Master Plan,
- b. Sanitary sewer pump station located in accordance with the North Merced Sewer Master
 Plan and the Master Development Plan.
- c. Water transmission mains within "G" Street and "R" Street from Yosemite to Old Lake Road, including but not limited to all valving, and looping facilities required to meet California Department of Health Services requirements, right-of-way acquisition and installation costs.
- d. Water transmission mains in Bellevue Road, and Old Lake Road between "R" Street and "G" Street along with all valving and looping facilities required to meet California Department Services requirements, right-ofway acquisition and installation costs.
- "M" Street extension along the northbound lanes from its existing terminus point to the south boundary of the project including median curb, paving and median landscaping.
- f. Bridge structures crossing Fahrens and Cottonwood Creeks.

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- g. Traffic signal and intersection widening including all the facilities as identified in the Bellevue Ranch EIR and summarized in Appendix B including but not limited to curb, gutter, sidewalk, paving striping, signal equipment and controllers, detector loops, median curb and right-of-way acquisition if needed.
- Major and divided arterial oversizing
 improvements on "R" street, "M" Street, "G"
 Street, Cardella Road and Bellevue Road
 including grading, paving, median curbs,
 median landscaping, roadside ditches or curb
 and gutter, and minor drainage culverts.
- i. Cottonwood Creek Drainage Bypass system.
- j. Old Lake Road from G Street to R Street, culverts including grading, paving, striping, and roadside ditches.

Section 1.3. "Category 3 Improvements" shall refer to improvements of local off-site as well as regional facilities that will be impacted by the ultimate build out of the project. These improvements shall include the following:

> a. Highway 59 expansion from West Olive Avenue to Bellevue Road including paving, grading median curbs, striping, roadside ditches and culverts.

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- b. Yosemite Bypass extension from Highway 59 to Highway 99 including grading, paving, striping, median curb, roadside ditches and culvert crossings.
- c. Cardella Road extension from Kansas Street to "R" Street including grading, paving, striping, median curb, roadside ditches and culvert crossings.
- d. Yosemite Avenue extension from "R" Street to Highway 59 including grading, paving, striping, median curb, roadside ditches and culvert crossings.
- e. Old Lake Road extension from "R" Street to Highway 59 including grading, paving, striping, median curb, roadside ditches and culvert crossings.
- f. Cardella Road extension from Kansas Street to Highway 59 including grading, paving, striping, median curb, roadside ditches, and culvert crossing.
- g. Highway 59 (Southbound) at 16th Street; right turn lane and intersection improvement.
- h. Highway 59 Railroad Crossing Protection Signals at Santa Fe Railroad.
- i. Highway 59 (Southbound) widening from north of Cooper Avenue to Santa Fe Railroad.

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- j. Highway 59 Bypass grade separation at
 Yosemite Avenue including right of way.
- k. Highway 59 Bypass grade separation at Santa
 Fe Drive, including right of way.
- Highway 99 and Highway 59 interchange as defined by Caltrans.
- m. Bridge crossings on all roads necessary on
 Category 3 roads.
- n. Traffic signals and intersection widening including all facilities as identified in the EIR and summarized in Master Development Plan Appendix B including, but not limited to, curb, gutter, sidewalk, paving, striping, signal equipment and controllers, vehicle detection systems, median curb and right of way acquisition for all locations which are not covered under Category 2 improvements.

Section 1.4. "The City" means City of Merced.

Section 1.5. "The Developer" means Bellevue.

Section 1.6. "The Development Agreement" means this Agreement, which is alternatively referred to as "this Agreement: or "the Development Agreement".

Section 1.7. "The Effective Date if this Agreement" shall be the date of execution by Bellevue and the City.

Section 1.8. "Phases" refers to the phases of development of the Plan and more clearly defined in the Plan.

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section 1.9. "The Plan" refers to the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan, approved by the City on <u>May 15, 1995</u>.

Section 1.10. "The Property" means the entire project area consisting of 1365 acres more or less as described in Section 1.2 of the Plan for Bellevue Ranch.

- a. "Initial Annexed Property" means the real property annexed in the year 1995 consisting of that portion of the Property situated south of Bellevue Road as further defined in Exhibit "B" to this Agreement and depicted on the Map included in Exhibit "B".
- b. "Future Annexed Property" means the remainder of the Property excluding Initial Annexed Property as depicted on the Map included on Exhibit "B".

SECTION 2. <u>BINDING EFFECT OF AGREEMENT.</u> The benefits and burdens of this Agreement shall apply to the Initial Annexed Property as of the Effective Date. Thereafter, this Agreement shall apply to all Future Annexed Property as of the date of any such annexation(s). This Agreement shall be recorded by the City at Bellevue's expense at the Office of the Recorder of Merced County not more than ten (10) days following execution of this Agreement by all parties.

The City, by electing to enter into contractual agreements such as this one, acknowledges that the obligations of the City shall survive beyond the term or terms of the present

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City Council members, and that such action will serve to bind the City and future councils to the obligations thereby undertaken, and this Agreement shall limit the future exercise of certain governmental and proprietary powers of the City. By approving this Agreement, the City Council has elected to exercise certain governmental powers at the time of entering into this Agreement rather than deferring its actions to some undetermined future The terms and conditions of this Agreement have undergone date. extensive review by the City and its Counsel and have been found to be fair, just and reasonable, and the City has concluded that the pursuit of the development will serve the best interest of its citizens and the public health, safety and welfare will be best served by entering into this obligation. The City acknowledges that Bellevue would not engage in the development and infrastructure improvements without the assurances of development entitlement which this Agreement is designed to provide.

SECTION 3. TERM OF AGREEMENT.

Section 3.1. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall remain in effect for a term of forty (40) years unless earlier canceled by mutual consent of the parties hereto; provided, however, that this Agreement shall automatically terminate if annexation of the Initial Annexed Property does not occur within six (6) months of the Effective Date.

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SECTION 4. DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY.

Section 4.1. <u>Right to Proceed with Development.</u> Bellevue shall have the right to develop the property in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Plan and such amendments to the Plan and this Agreement as shall from time to time be approved by the City and Bellevue as provided for in this Agreement.

Section 4.2. <u>Permitted Uses.</u> The permitted uses of the Property, the density and intensity of use, the maximum height, bulk and size of proposed buildings, provisions for reservation or dedication of land for public purposes and location of public improvements, location of public utilities, and other terms and conditions of development applicable to the Property shall be those set forth in this Agreement, the Plan, and amendments thereto.

The parties shall comply with the conditions and terms

of:

- a. This Agreement,
- b. The Plan, and the Plan conditions as may be amended,
- c. The City's General Plan and any amendments thereto or revisions thereof,
- d. The Environmental Impact Report for the Bellevue Ranch Master Development, prepared by Willdan Associates (1994), Project Mitigation Measures,

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- e. The Merced Municipal Code, including without limitation the Planned Development Zone requirements of Chapter 20 of the Merced Municipal Code,
- f. The Standard Designs of Common Engineering Structures, and
- g. Multi-family Design Guidelines, and all amendments to any of the above referenced documents.

All of the above documents are intended to cooperate so that any conditions contained in one and mentioned in the other, or vice versa, are to be followed as if mentioned in all such documents. In case of conflict between any of the documents, the order of documents first listed above shall be the order of precedence, with the first item listed having the highest precedence.

Section 4.3. <u>Improvement Design and Construction</u> <u>Standards.</u> During the first ten (10) years of this Agreement, the City may apply only such new or modified rules, regulations, resolutions, ordinances, laws, general or specific plans, community plans, and official policies which are not in conflict with those in effect on the Effective Date of this Agreement, or the terms, spirit and intent of this Agreement. Thereafter, the rules, regulations, specifications, and official policies of the City governing all design and construction standards for all public and private improvements on the property shall be those in

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effect at the time of building permit issuance, unless otherwise provided in the Plan. Building requirements set forth in the Uniform Building Code, Uniform Fire code, Uniform Mechanical Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, and other City adopted Uniform Codes as they now exist or may be revised or adopted during the term of the Agreement shall apply to all development on the Property.

This section, however, shall not preclude pursuant to Government Code Section 65869.5, the applications to development of the subject property of any changes in City laws, regulations, plans or policies, the terms of which are specifically mandated and required by changes in State or Federal laws, rules or regulations. In the event such changes in State or Federal laws prevent or preclude compliance with one or more provisions of this Agreement in implementation of the development of the Project, the parties shall take action to amend this Agreement consistent with the intent of this Agreement.

This Section shall not be construed to limit the authority or obligation of the City to hold necessary public hearings, to limit discretion of the City or any of its officers or officials, with regard to rules, regulations, resolutions, ordinances, laws and entitlements of use which require the exercise of discretion by the City or any of its officers or officials, provided that subsequent discretionary actions contemplated by this Agreement shall not prevent development of the subject property for the uses and intensity of development set forth in the Master Development Plan and this Agreement.

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Section 4.4. Fees and Taxes. Except as may be otherwise provided in the Plan and/or State law, Bellevue shall pay to the City those fees, charges, and taxes in effect at the time of building permit approval; unless such fee, charge, or tax is payable at an earlier date, in which case Bellevue shall pay the fee, charge, or tax in effect as of the date of payment. City and Bellevue agree that there will be no new fees, charges or taxes imposed upon Bellevue for new development or construction which are not in existence as of the Effective Date for a period of ten years from the Effective Date. Bellevue agrees that it will pay any increases in existing fees, charges or taxes (existing as of the Effective Date), plus any assessments pursuant to maintenance assessment districts formed in connection with any subdivision of property hereunder as currently required by the City and any assessments required for the local area share of the Corps of Engineers flood control project. Payment of the following fees, charges and taxes shall be deferred until occupancy: Capital fees (not including Category 3 fees) and any school fees as may be agreed to with the affected school districts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Bellevue acknowledges that the City is developing a public safety fee, and Bellevue agrees that it will pay such public safety fee as adopted by the City.

Section 4.5. <u>Life of Subdivision Maps, Development</u> <u>Approvals, and Permits.</u> Any planned development permit, final development plan, other permit, grant, agreement, or entitlement

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for the general development of all or any part of the Property shall be effective in accordance with the terms thereof. The term of the tentative maps, or any other parcel, tentative or vesting parcel, or tentative map relating to the Property filed prior to or subsequent to the Effective Date of this Agreement are in effect for such time periods as are set forth in the California Subdivision Map Act and City ordinance, except that tentative maps shall be valid for five (5) years. Any conditional use permit, use permit, and site utilization plan shall be valid for an initial period of two (2) years, subject to further extensions as may be agreed to by the City.

Section 4.6. Bellevue's Right to Fee

Offset/Reimbursement for Public Facility Improvements. Bellevue will be required to construct certain public improvements which may benefit an area larger than the Property. These improvements are identified in the plan as Category 2 Improvements. It is the intent of the City and Bellevue that Bellevue shall be reimbursed for certain infrastructure and oversizing of construction of facilities it constructs beyond its fair share, as such fair share is determined by the City Engineer. Such fair share determination may be appealed to the City Council.

Bellevue shall be reimbursed in one of the following ways based upon Bellevue's actual costs or the reasonable cost of the improvements as determined by the City Engineer, whichever is less:

a. Bellevue shall be entitled to fee offsets for

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improvements which Bellevue constructs in lieu of payment of an existing fee. For example, if Bellevue constructs a water well it shall receive water connection fee offsets to the extent of the cost of the well; or The City shall collect fees or charges from

third parties and reimburse Bellevue for oversizing pursuant to existing City oversizing and reimbursement ordinances; or

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For those improvements which Bellevue is required to construct beyond their fair share and not covered by reimbursement or fee offsets under A or B above, the City shall develop a fee or reimbursement program/ordinance, within 1 year of the Effective Date of this Agreement so as to provide a mechanism to collect funds from other benefiting properties to reimburse Bellevue. Said fees and charges shall be collected from other benefiting properties no later than the time a final map or parcel map is recorded on the benefiting properties, unless, legally, said benefiting property owner is required to pay the fee or charge at a later date. In the event the benefiting Property does not file a parcel map or final

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map, said fees and charges shall be collected at the time of issuance of a building permit. In no event shall City be required to provide reimbursement to Bellevue from the City's General Fund or until the City collects such reimbursements from the other benefiting properties.

Section 4.7. Subsequent "Slow/No Growth" Measures.

Consistent with this development, the City and Bellevue specifically agree that any subsequently enacted initiatives, referendums, or amendments to the City's General Plan and/or Zoning Code which contain "slow/no growth" measures, moratorium or other limitations on growth, or which by their terms are intended to, or have such effect shall have no application to the Property or any aspect of the Project or the Project Approvals. Notwithstanding any such measures, the mitigation measures required for the development are limited to those established by this Development Agreement or approved in accordance with the Plan.

SECTION 5. DISTRICTS.

Section 5.1. District Formation.

Bellevue may apply to the City for the commencement of proceedings to create assessment and/or maintenance districts under the Improvement Act of 1911, the Municipal Act of 1913, the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 or other appropriate legislative authority

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for the purpose of paying for, and for financing some or all of the costs of maintenance and/or construction of public facilities hereunder. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require City to approve the formation of such districts, provided that City acknowledges that the formation of the district or districts for these purposes may be appropriate.

Section 5.2. Utilities. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the City's ability to impose reasonable conditions and future discretionary approvals which require developers to install water wells, water and sewer lines and appurtenances servicing the Property. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if Bellevue requests, City shall issue a minimum number of building permits equating to 200 single family dwelling units or 20% of the City's sewer plant capacity (as determined by the City), whichever is less, unless the City is enjoined from doing so by a court of competent jurisdiction. The permits shall be available to Bellevue on a calendar year basis and shall not accumulate from year to year.

SECTION 6. PHASING. The Property should be developed in thirty-six (36) phases as shown in the Plan.

Section 6.1. Development by Phases.

The development of the Property is anticipated to be phased as shown on the Plan. However, minor phasing changes are expected to occur in the course of development of the Property. Bellevue may not proceed with any phase out of sequence unless all Category 2 improvements for the prior phase and all

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intervening phases have been completed. For example, if Bellevue wishes to develop Phase 20, Bellevue must have completed all Category 2 improvements for Phases 1-19. Notwithstanding the above, Bellevue may apply to the City Engineer to have certain of the Category 2 improvements deferred or to modify the phasing plan or sequence of phasing. The City Engineer shall, in his sole discretion, determine any modifications to the improvement requirements required for the requested deferral. The City Engineer may also require, as a condition of any such deferral, that Bellevue post adequate security in the form of cash, bonds and/or letters of credit in an amount sufficient to guarantee the construction of the deferred improvements, and establish a performance schedule for the construction of the deferred improvements.

Any determination with regard to required Category 2 improvements to be completed by Bellevue made by the City Engineer may be appealed to the City Council. Upon such appeal, the City Council shall, in its sole discretion, determine any modifications to the improvement requirements required for the requested deferral. The City Council may also require as a condition of any such deferral that Bellevue post adequate security in the form of cash, bonds and/or letters of credit in an amount sufficient to guarantee the construction of the deferred improvements, and establish a performance schedule for the construction of the deferred improvements.

Category 3 fees and charges shall be reviewed annually

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and adjusted to reflect current cost estimates determined in a similar manner as 1600 fees (Government Code section 66018). Any fee collected shall only be used for the purpose for which it was collected and shall be refunded (without interest) to Bellevue should City determine that construction of the facility or improvement is not needed.

Section 6.2. The City and Bellevue agree that the phasing of various aspects of the Project and the infrastructure for the Project may require further refinement and City and Bellevue agree to work together to attempt to refine the phasing and infrastructure sequencing and to develop threshold levels of infrastructure requirements with certain triggering points based upon the number of units to be developed.

Section 6.3. In the event that Bellevue is required to construct Category 1 or 2 Improvements which are not under the control of Bellevue or the City (for example, if said improvement is to be located on property that has not been annexed to the City), Bellevue may nonetheless proceed with development (if all other terms and conditions of this Agreement are met) if Bellevue provides security in the form of cash, a bond or letter of credit in an amount determined by the City Engineer to be sufficient to complete the improvements once the land comes under the control of Bellevue or the City, and agrees to promptly construct said improvements when control is obtained. Notwithstanding the above, the City Engineer, in his sole discretion, may determine that the required improvement needs to be completed prior to

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further development provided that the off-site improvements will be located pursuant to Government Code §66462.5 or other applicable law on land in which Bellevue or City has or is able to obtain sufficient title or interest.

Should Bellevue request that the City undertake proceedings by condemnation, negotiation, or otherwise to acquire control of the land, City will consider said request but shall be under no obligation to act upon Bellevue's request except as set forth in Section 8. Should City determine to proceed, Bellevue shall enter into a Reimbursement Agreement with City agreeing to pay for all costs associated with the undertaking, including without limitation all staff time, out-of-pocket expenses, etc. associated with City's efforts to obtain control of the land authorized by Government Code § 66462.5. The provisions contained in Government Code §66462.5 shall govern the applications of this Section 6.3.

SECTION 7. CURE/REAPPROVAL.

In the event that a court enters a judgment requiring reconsideration by City of any matter pertaining to the Project, the Project Approvals, or this Agreement, then City shall reconsider that matter in a manner consistent with the intent of this Agreement. If any such judgment invalidates all or any portion of any of the Project, the Project Approvals, or this Agreement, City and Bellevue shall work together to attempt to cure any deficiencies identified in any such judgment. Upon City and Bellevue reaching agreement City shall then readopt the

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Project, the Project Approvals, or this Agreement, as may be needed to remedy the deficiency or deficiencies consistent with such judgment.

SECTION 8. COOPERATION-IMPLEMENTATION.

Processing. If necessary or required, upon 8.1. satisfactory completion by Bellevue of all required preliminary actions and payments of appropriate processing fees, if any, City shall promptly commence and diligently proceed to complete all steps required or necessary for the implementation of this Agreement and the development by Bellevue of the Project Site in accordance with the Project Approvals. City and Bellevue acknowledge that in order to develop the Project, significantly more entitlements may be required, including but not limited to, General Plan Amendments, Specific Plan Amendments, zoning, final development plans, tentative maps, parcel maps, final maps, resubdivisions, amendments to maps, subdivision improvement agreements, lot line adjustments, encroachments, grading and building permits, and related matters, all as necessary for the completion of the development of the Project. In connection with such entitlement processing, City agrees that all legislative and non-legislative actions by the City pursuant to applications made regarding the foregoing entitlements shall be concluded within six (6) months from the date upon which the application is complete.

Bellevue will, in a timely manner, provide City with all documents, applications, plans and other information

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necessary for the City to carry out its obligations hereunder and cause Bellevue's planners, engineers, and all other consultants to submit in a timely manner all required materials and documents therefor. It is the express intent of Bellevue and City to cooperate and diligently work to implement any General Plan amendment, zoning, final development plan and/or other land use, grading or building permits or approvals which are necessary or desirable in connection with the development of the Project Site in substantial conformance with the Development Plan (as it may be amended from time to time pursuant to the terms of this Agreement) and the Conditions of Approval.

8.2. Other Governmental Permits. In addition, Bellevue shall apply in a timely manner for such other permits and approvals as may be required by other governmental or quasigovernmental agencies having jurisdiction over the Project in connection with the development of, or provision of services to, the Project. City shall cooperate with Bellevue in its efforts to obtain such permits and approvals and shall, from time to time at the request of Bellevue, attempt with due diligence and in good faith to enter into binding agreements with any such entity necessary to assure the availability of such permits and approvals of services, provided such agreements are reasonable and not detrimental to City.

SECTION 9. <u>COOPERATION IN THE EVENT OF LEGAL CHALLENGE.</u> In the event of any legal action instituted by a third party or other governmental entity or official challenging the approval or

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validity of any provision of this Agreement, the parties hereby agree to cooperate in defending such action. Bellevue agrees to provide and cover the cost of a defense and indemnity the City in the event legal action is commenced against the City to set aside this Agreement.

SECTION 10. <u>DEDICATIONS.</u> Bellevue shall reserve for dedication, dedicate, and/or construct those public improvements in accordance with the Plan and existing City policies as required to service the Project. Bellevue will dedicate property for fire stations as identified in the Plan, and will receive a credit against the public safety fee, more particularly described in section 4.4 in connection with such dedication. The value of the property dedicated hereunder shall be determined in accordance with City ordinances relating to park dedication. Bellevue will reserve, but not dedicate or construct, transit station areas, as identified in the Plan.

SECTION 11. ASSIGNMENT. The rights and obligations of Bellevue hereunder shall not be assigned or transferred, except that on thirty (30) days written notice to City, Bellevue may assign all or a portion of Bellevue's rights and obligations hereunder to any person or persons, partnership or corporation who purchases all or a portion of Bellevue's right, title and interest in the Property, provided such assignee or grantee agrees in writing to be bound by this Agreement, and further provided that Bellevue obtains the consent of City to the assignment, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

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The notice to City shall include the identity of any suchassignee and a copy of the written assumption of assignor's obligations hereunder pertaining to the portion assigned or transferred. Any reimbursements pursuant to this Agreement arising after said assignment shall be paid directly to Bellevue. After such notice and the receipt of such consent, the assignor shall have no further obligations or liabilities hereunder. The City Manager shall act on behalf of City regarding any actions concerning the assignment of this Agreement. Bellevue may appeal to the City Council, the action of the City Manager regarding the assignment of this Agreement.

SECTION 12. EFFECT OF ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER IN OWNERSHIP. It is specifically agreed and understood by and between the parties that upon assignment or transfer by Bellevue of part or all of the Property; that all notices required to be given or which may be given regarding said assigned or transferred property shall be deemed to have been duly given when made in writing and deposited in the United States mail, certified or registered and postage prepaid addressed to the transferee or assignees.

Upon any amendment or modification of the Plan affecting the transferred property, the City is only required to directly deal with Assignee of the Transferred Property and has no obligation to obtain approval from the other owners of real property in the Bellevue Project area.

SECTION 13. STATUS OF AGREEMENT. This Agreement shall

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supersede, replace and render null and void any and all prior oral or written representations, contracts, agreements, or understandings between or among any of the parties hereto relating to or arising out of any of the matters referred to herein that are inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

AGREEMENT IS ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This written SECTION 14. Agreement contains the sole and entire agreement between the This Agreement supersedes any and all other agreements parties. between the parties. The parties acknowledge and agree that neither of them has made any representation with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement or any representation including the execution and delivery hereof, except such representation as are specifically set forth herein, and each party acknowledges that he or it has relied on its own judgment in entering into this Agreement. The parties further acknowledge that any statements or representations that may have heretofore been made by either of them to the other are void and of no effect and neither of them has relied thereon in connection with their dealings with each other.

SECTION 15. WAIVER OF MODIFICATION OF TERMS. No waiver or modification of this Agreement or of any covenant, condition, or limitation herein contained shall be valid unless in writing and duly executed by the party to be charged herewith. Furthermore, no evidence of any waiver or modification shall be offered or received in evidence in any proceeding or litigation between the

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parties arising out of or affecting this Agreement, or the rights or obligations of any party hereunder, unless such waiver or modification is in writing, duly executed as aforesaid. The provisions of this paragraph may not be waived except as herein set forth.

SECTION 16. <u>AMENDMENT.</u> Except as provided in SECTIONS 23.01 and 23.02 this Agreement and the Plan may be amended from time to time by mutual consent of the parties hereto and in accordance with the provisions of Government Code Sections 65867 and 65868, provided that any such amendment shall only require a public hearing if then required by state or federal law.

SECTION 17. <u>RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES.</u> It is hereby specifically understood and acknowledged that the development is a private project and that neither the City nor Bellevue will deem to be the agent of the other for any purpose whatsoever.

SECTION 18. CANCELLATION OF THIS AGREEMENT. Except as otherwise permitted herein, this Development Agreement and the Plan may not be amended, canceled in whole or in part without the mutual agreement of the parties or their successors-in-interest, or in the event of a violation of any material term hereof, in the manner set forth in California Government Code Sections 65865.1, 65867, 65867.5, and 65868.

SECTION 19. INITIAL ANNEXATION WITHIN SIX MONTHS. This Agreement shall be effective upon execution; provided however that if the annexation of the Initial Annexed Property is not completed within six (6) months of the Effective Date, this

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Agreement shall automatically terminate and be of no further force or effect. Said six (6) month deadline may be extended by mutual agreement of City and Bellevue. In the event of any termination pursuant to this section, any property which has been prezoned shall be rezoned to agricultural use, and any tentatively approved mapping shall be null and void.

SECTION 20. DEFAULT, REMEDIES, TERMINATION.

Section 20.1. General Provisions. Subject to extensions of time by mutual consent in writing, failure or delay by either party to perform any term or provision of this Agreement shall constitute a default. In the event of alleged default or breach of any terms or conditions of this Agreement, the party alleging such default or breach shall give the other party not less than thirty (30) days notice in writing specifying the nature of the alleged default and the manner in which said default may be satisfactorily cured. During any such thirty (30) day period, the party charged shall not be considered in default for purposes of termination or institution of legal proceedings. After notice and expiration of the thirty (30) day period, the other party to this Agreement, at its option, may institute legal proceedings pursuant to this Agreement, or give notice of intent to termination of the Agreement pursuant to California Government Code Section 65868 and regulations of the City implementing said Government Code Section. Following notice of intent to terminate, the matter shall be scheduled for consideration and reviewed in the manner set forth in Government Code Section

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65865, and 65868, and City regulations implementing said sections by the Council within thirty (30) calendar days. Following consideration of the evidence presented in said review before the Council, either party alleging the default by the other party may be given written notice of termination of this Agreement to the other party. Evidence of default may also arise in the course of a regularly scheduled periodic review of this Agreement pursuant to Government Code Section 65865.1. If either party determines that the other party is in default following the completion of the normally scheduled periodic review, said party may give written notice of termination of this Agreement specifying in said notice the alleged nature of the default and potential actions to cure said default, where appropriate. If the alleged default is not cured within thirty (30) days, or within such longer period specified in the notice, or the defaulting party waives its right to cure such alleged default, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated at the option of the non-defaulting party.

Section 20.2. Damages Upon Default/Specific

Performance. In no event shall Bellevue be entitled to any of the following damages against the City upon the City's default under this Agreement:

- a. Punitive damages;
- b. Damages for loss of profits;
- c. Damage for expenditures for costs incurred prior to date of this Agreement;

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ATTACHMENT D--Page 67 Vol. 3370 PAGE 603 d. Damages if this agreement is terminated for any reason other than by default by the City.

In addition to any other rights or remedies which may be available and consistent with the foregoing limitations, either party may institute an equitable action to cure, correct or remedy any default, and enforce any covenant or agreement herein, and enjoin any threatened or attempted violation hereof, and enforce by specific performance the obligations and rights of the parties hereto, or to obtain any other remedies consistent with the foregoing and the purposes of this Agreement. In no event shall City be entitled to recover any damages in excess of the assets of Bellevue; there shall be no personal liability of any of the Partners of Bellevue pursuant to this Agreement.

Section 20.3. <u>Annual Review.</u> City shall, at least every twelve (12) months during the term of this Agreement, review the extent of good faith substantial compliance by Bellevue with the terms of this Agreement. Such periodic review shall be limited in scope to compliance with the terms of this Agreement pursuant to California Government Code Section 65865.1. Notice of such annual review shall include the statement that any review may result in amendment or termination of this Agreement. A finding by City of good faith compliance by Bellevue with the terms of this Agreement shall conclusively determine said issue up to and including the date of said review. City's failure in any year to review the extent of compliance by Bellevue shall be deemed a finding by City of good faith compliance by Bellevue

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with the terms of this Agreement. Bellevue shall be permitted an opportunity to be heard orally or in writing regarding its performance under this Agreement before the City Council, or if the matter is referred to the City Planning Commission, before said Commission.

Section 20.4. Estoppel Certificate. Within ten (10) days following any written request which either party may make from time to time, the other party shall execute and deliver to the requesting party a statement certifying that:

- a. This Agreement is unmodified and in full force and effect, or if there have been modifications hereto, that this Agreement is in full force and effect, as modified, and stating the date and nature of such modification;
- b. There are no current uncured defaults under this Agreement or specifying the dates and nature of any such defaults and the manner for their cure; and

c. Any other reasonable information requested.

The failure to deliver such statement within such time shall be conclusive upon .the party which fails to deliver such statement that this Agreement is in full force and effect without modifications except as may be represented by the requesting party and that there are no uncured defaults in the performance of the requesting party.

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Section 20.5. Legal Action to Interpret and/or Enforce

the Agreement. In addition to any other rights or remedies, either party may institute legal action to cure, correct, or remedy any default to enforce any covenant or agreement herein, or to enjoin any threatened or attempted violation, or to interpret the provisions hereof and declare the rights and obligations of the parties hereto.

SECTION 21. HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT. Bellevue hereby agrees to save and hold City and its elected and appointed representatives, officers, agents, and employees, harmless from claims, costs and liabilities for any personal injury, death, or property damage which arises, directly or indirectly, from operations performed under this Agreement by Bellevue or Bellevue's contractors, subcontractors, agents, or employees, whether such operations were performed by Bellevue or by any of Bellevue's contractors, subcontractors, by any one or more persons directly or indirectly employed by, or acting as agent for Bellevue or any of Bellevue's contractors or subcontractors. In addition, Bellevue shall defend City and its elected and appointed representatives, officers, agents, and employees against actions arising out of such personal injury, death, or property damage which is caused, or alleged to have been caused by reason of Bellevue's activities in connection with the Property.

SECTION 22. <u>INSURANCE.</u> Before beginning any development of public improvements on the Property, Bellevue shall obtain the

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insurance required under this paragraph in the form, amount and carrier in accordance with City regulations. Bellevue shall maintain the insurance during the term of this Agreement. The insurance shall extend to the City its elective and appointed boards, commissions, officers, agents, employees and representatives and to Bellevue and each contractor and subcontractor performing work on the Property.

22.1. <u>Compensation Insurance</u>. Bellevue shall maintain workers' compensation insurance for all persons employed on the Property. Bellevue shall require each contractor and subcontractor similarly to provide workers' compensation insurance for their respective employees. Bellevue agrees to indemnify the City for damage resulting from its failure to take out and maintain such insurance.

22.2. <u>Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance</u>. Bellevue shall maintain public liability insurance in an amount of not less than \$500,000 for injuries (including death) to any one person and subject to the same limit for each person in an amount of not less than \$500,000 on account of any one occurrence; and Property Damage insurance in an amount of not less than \$500,000 for damage to the property of each person on account of any one occurrence.

22.3. <u>Contractual Liability Insurance</u>. Bellevue shall maintain an insurance policy in an amount of \$500,000 insuring against damages sustained by reason of any action, claim or demand made by reason of breach or claim for breach of contract

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or by reason of any contractual liability or alleged contractual liability on any contract entered into by Bellevue or its contractors, subcontractor, agent or employee.

22.4. Bellevue shall furnish City concurrently with the execution of this Agreement satisfactory evidence of the insurance required and evidence that the carrier is required to give the City at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation or reduction in coverage in the policy.

SECTION 23. ATTORNEYS FEES AND COSTS. If legal action by either party is brought because of breach of this Agreement or to enforce a provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorneys fees and court costs.

SECTION 24. <u>IMPROVEMENT SECURITY.</u> By the terms of this Agreement and the Plan, Bellevue is required to construct certain public improvements which are not normally required as part of a subdivision map. At the time that the first subdivision final map is approved within a phase, the Bellevue shall secure any such improvements required within that phase in the same manner as though said improvement was required to be secured by the Subdivision Map Act.

SECTION 25. NOTICES. All notices herein provided to be given, or which may be given, by either party to the other, shall be deemed to have fully been fully given when made in writing and deposited in the United States mail, certified or registered and postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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"CITY"

City of Merced ATTN: City Manager 678 West 18th Street

Merced, CA 95340

"BELLEVUE"

D. R. Stephens & Company ATTN: Glenn Matsuhara 500 Sansome Street, Suite 600 San Francisco, CA 94111

SECTION 26. MISCELLANEOUS. All section headings contained herein are for convenience only and are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be governed exclusively by the provisions hereof and by the laws of the State of California as the same from time to time exist. The waiver by either party of any breach by the other shall not operate as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term, covenant or condition hereof.

SECTION 27. SEVERABILITY. The unenforceability, invalidity, or illegality of any provision, covenant, condition, or term of this Agreement shall not render the other provisions unenforceable, invalid, or illegal.

SECTION 28. <u>COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING.</u> Neither party shall do anything which shall have the effect of harming or injuring the right of the other party to receive the benefits of this Agreement. Each party shall refrain from doing anything which would render impossible its performance, or the performance of the other party.

SECTION 29. <u>GOVERNING LAW.</u> This Agreement, and rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

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SECTION 30. <u>COUNTERPARTS.</u> For convenience, the signatures of the parties to this Agreement may be executed and acknowledged on separate pages which, when attached to this Agreement, shall constitute this as one complete Agreement.

SECTION 31. <u>TIME.</u> Time is of the essence of this Agreement and each and every term and condition hereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, City and Bellevue have executed and approved this Development Agreement as of the date set forth above.

"CITY"

CITY OF MERCED, A Municipal Corporation

By: ITY MANAGER

ATTEST:

By:

DEPUTY CITY ČLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:

CITY ATTORNEY 950308 FUNDS/ACCOUNTS/VERIFIED NO JUNDS ALGUIND 4/14/95 plue

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DATE:

"BELLEVUE"

BELLEVUE RANCH PARTNERS NO. 20, LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner

- By: D.R. STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner
 - By: D.R. STEPHENS & COMPANY, a California limited partnership, General Partner



BELLEVUE RANCH ASSOCIATES, a California limited partnership

By: D.R. STEPHENS & PARTNERS NO. 19 (MERCED), LTD., a California limited partnership, General Partner

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D.R. STEPHENS & By: COMPANY, a California limited partnership, General Partner

D.R. STEPHENS By: SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST A/D/ MAY 1, 983, General Pattne By: STEPHENS, Trustee D.R.

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO)
on June 5 1995 before me, Bonnie 2. Pintham,
personally appeared R. Stephens

[] personally known to me

[] proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his their signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY



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EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF BELLEVUE OVERALL

All that portion of Sections 6 and 7, Township 7 South, Range 14 East, M.D.M., Section

36, Township 6 South, Range 13 East, M.D.M., and Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 14

East, M.D.M., described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 7; thence from said point of beginning along the West line of said Section 7 South 01°49'30" West 3752.55 feet to a point located on the centerline of Fahrens Creek; thence along said centerline the following twelve (12) courses: (1) South 69°40'30" East 351.57 feet, (2) North 57°38'30" East 158.55 feet, (3) North 02°55'00" East 257.22 feet, (4) North 34°48'30" West 244.85 feet, (5) North 06°32'30" West 164.86 feet, (6) North 12°41'00" East 252.63 feet, (7) North 51°15'30" East 253.91 feet, (8) North 15°57'30" East 71.47 feet, (9) North 75°03'00" West 91.04 feet, (10) North 56°40'00" West 366.68 feet, (11) North 30°50'30" East 177.57 feet and (12) North 18°03'00" West 59.88 feet; thence North 89°56'25" East 2173.69 feet; thence North 00°47'15" East 1213.04 feet to a point located on the centerline of Cottonwood Creek; thence along said centerline the following fifteen (15) courses: (1) North 49°44'45" East 145.48 feet, (2) North 66°23'15" East 535.28 feet, (3) North 54°54'30" East 189.47 feet, (4) North 19°30'15" West 106.85 feet, (5) North 79°31'30" East 94.15 feet, (6) South 40°50'00" East 197.05 feet, (7) North 81°13'15" East 204.90 feet, (8) South 33°42'45" East 187.45 feet, (9) South 64°06'00" East 339.93 feet, (10) South 36°26'30" East 198.23 feet, (11) South 63°20'45" East 119.20 feet, (12) North 44°19'15" East 138.88 feet, (13) North 13°17'45" East 214.51 feet, (14) North 37°12'45" East 138.31 feet and (15) North 88°54'15" East 666.90 feet to a point located on the East line of said Section 7; thence along said East line North 00°42'15" East 729.23 feet to the Southeast corner of said Section 6; thence along the boundary of said Section 6 the following two (2) courses: (1) North 00°41'04" East 5269.42 feet and (2) South 89°53'30" West 1335.16 feet; thence North 00°06'30" West 519.08 feet; thence North 49°24'24" East 121.72 feet; thence North 78°00'00" East 240.68 feet; thence South 80°43'33" East 407.57 feet; thence North 69°14'23" East 223.44 feet; thence South 89°52'05" East 404.57 feet to a point located on the Easterly boundary of said Section 31; thence along the boundary of said Section 31 the following three (3) courses: (1) North 00°38'55" East 1995.76 feet, (2) North 00°41'15" East 2654.59 feet and (3) South 89°32'15" West 5055.39 feet to the Northeast corner of said Section 36; thence along the North line of said Section 36 South 89°39'15" West 1747.66 feet; thence South 03°57'02" East 5264.69 feet; thence North 89°21'24" East 70.13 feet; thence North 03°57'02" West 2643.83 feet; thence North 89°22'03" East 1504.03 feet; thence South 00°07'24" East 28.60 feet; thence North 89°48'08" East 1254.61 feet; thence South 00°04'09" West 1321.31 feet; thence North 89°48'16" East 1249.61 feet; thence South 00°16'12" West 1323.23 feet to a point located on the North line of said Section 6; thence along the boundary of said Section 6 the following two (2) courses: (1) South 89°53'30" West 2490.68 feet and (2) South 01°09'54" West 5278.37 feet to the point of beginning; containing 1372 acres, more or less.



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EXHIBIT B

DESCRIPTION OF BELLEVUE RANCH ANNEXATION

All that portion of Sections 5, 6 and 7, Township 7 South, Range 14 East, M.D.M., and

Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 14 East M.D.M., described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 6; thence from said point of beginning along the West line of said Section 6 and the Northerly extension thereof North 00°45'54" East 5308.37 feet to a point located on Northerly right of wav line of Bellevue Road, said right of way being 30.00 feet North of the North line of said Section 6; thence along said Northerly right of way line of Bellevue Road and the Easterly extension thereof and parallel to the North line of said Section 6 North 89°29'30" East 5035.36 feet to a point located on the Easterly right of way line of "G" Street, said right of way line being 55.00 feet East of the East line of said Section 6; thence along said Easterly right of way of "G" Street and parallel to the East line of said Section 6 South 00°17'04" West 5259.62 feet to a point located on the Northerly right of way line of Cardella Road, said right of way line being 40.00 feet North of the South line of said Section 5 being a point located on the existing City Limit line of the City of Merced; thence along the existing City Limit line the following two (2) courses: (1) along said Northerly right of way line of Cardella Road and the Westerly extension thereof parallel to the South line of said Section 5, South 89°53'06" West 80.00 feet to a point located on the Westerly right of way line of said "G" Street, said right of way line being 25.00 feet West of the East line of said Section 6 and (2) along the Westerly right of way line of "G" Street, parallel with the East line of said Sections 6 and 7 South 00°18'15" West 770.01 feet to a point located on the centerline of Cottonwood Creek; thence along said centerline the following fifteen (15) courses: (1) South 88°30'15" West 641.89 feet, (2) South 36°48'45" West 138.31 feet, (3) South 12°53'45" West 214.51 feet, (4) South 43°55'15" West 138.88 feet, (5) North 63°44'45" West 119.20 feet, (6) North 36°50'30" West 198.23 feet, (7) North 64°30'00" West 339.93 feet, (8) North 34°06'45" West 187.45 feet, (9) South 80°49'15" West 204.90 feet, (10) North 41°14'00" West 197.05 feet, (11) South 79°07'30" West 94.15 feet, (12) South 19°54'15" East 106.85 feet. (13) South 54°30'30" West 189.47 feet, (14) South 65°59'15" West 535.28 feet, and (15) South 49°20'45" West 145.48 feet; thence South 00°23'15" West 1213.04 feet to a point located on the boundary of the existing City Limit Line of the City of Merced; thence along the said City Limit Line South 89°32'25" West 2173.69 feet to a point located on the centerline of Fahrens Creek; thence along the centerline of said Fahrens Creek and along said City Limit Line the following twelve (12) courses: (1) South 18°27'00" East 59.88 feet, (2) South 30°26'30" West 177.57 feet, (3) South 57°04'00" East 366.68 feet, (4) South 75°27'00" East 91.04 feet, (5) South 15°33'30" West 71.47 feet, (6) South 50°51'30" West 253.91 feet, (7) South 12°17'00" West 252.63 feet, (8) South 06°56'30" East 164.86 feet, (9) South 35°12'30" East 244.85 feet, (10) South 02°31'00" West 257.22 feet, (11) South 57°14'30" West 158.55 feet and (12) North 70°04'30" West 351.57 feet to a point located on the West line of said Section 7; thence along said West line North 01°25'30" East 3752.55 feet to the point of beginning; containing 801.16 acres, more or less.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

- To: _____ Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
 - X County Clerk County of Merced 2222 M Street Merced, CA 95340

From: (Public Agency) City of Merced 678 West 18th St. Merced, CA 95340

Project Title: Modification of the Bellevue Ranch Development Agreement

Project Applicant: Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc.

Project Location (Specific): The affected property consists of approximately 233 acres, generally located on the north and south sides of Cardella Road from Pacific Drive to Bellevue Road, west of M Street. Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) 224-300-002 through -013; 224-300-015; 230-010-012, 230-010-023; 224-220-001 through -007; 224-220-009; 224-220-011 through -023; 224-220-031; 224-220-047; 224-220-049; 224-220-051; 224-220-056 through -065; 224-230-001 through -054; 224-240-001 through -018; 224-250-001 through -030; 224-260-001 through -015; 224-270-001 through -019; 224-270-021 through -063; and 224-280-001 through -035.

Project Location - City: Merced Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project involves extending the term of the Development Agreement for the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West from 25 years to 40 years, the original term of the agreement when approved in 1995.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Merced

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Merced

Exempt Status: (check one)

____ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- X Categorical Exemption. State Type and Section Number: Section 15321, Class 21

Statutory Exemptions. State Code Number: ______.

General Rule (Sec. 15061 (b)(3))

Reasons why Project is Exempt: The proposed modification of a portion of the Development Agreement fits within the Class 21 Categorical Exemption, which includes actions by regulatory agencies to enforce a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement OR the enforcement of a law, general rule, standard, or objective administered by the regulatory agency. For the purposes of this Categorial Exemption, the Development Agreement (adopted by Ordinance) could be deemed a law, general rule, or standard adopted by the City as well as an entitlement to develop Bellevue Ranch West in a manner consistent with the Development Agreement.

Lead Agency:	City of Merced		
Contact Person:	Kim Espinosa, Planning	Manager	Area Code/Telephone: (209) 385-6858
	lanning Manager	Date:	June 12, 2020
	1	Date:	June 12, 2020

X Signed by Lead Agency

Authority Cited: Sec. 21083 & 21110. Public Resources Code; .Reference: Sec. 21108, 21152, & 21152.1. Public Resources Code

ATTACHMENT E

CITY OF MERCED Planning Commission

Resolution #4043

WHEREAS, the Merced City Planning Commission at a Special Meeting of June 24, 2020, held a public hearing and considered Modification to the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch, initiated by Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc., property owners. This application involves a request to modify the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch to extend the term for up to 15 years to the original expiration date of July 5, 2035. The affected property consists of approximately 233 acres, generally located on the north and south sides of Cardella Road from Pacific Drive to Bellevue Road, west of M Street. The property has General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); and is zoned Planned Development (P-D) #42.; Also known as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) 224-300-002 through -013; 224-300-015; 230-010-012, 230-010-023; 224-220-001 through -007; 224-220-009; 224-220-011 through -023; 224-220-031; 224-220-047; 224-220-049; 224-220-051; 224-220-056 through -065; 224-230-001 through -054; 224-240-001 through -018; 224-250-001 through -030; 224-260-001 through -015; 224-270-001 through -019; 224-270-021 through -063; and 224-280-001 through -035.; and,

WHEREAS, the Merced City Planning Commission concurs with Findings/Considerations A through G of Staff Report # 20-15 (Exhibit A); and,

WHEREAS, the Merced City Planning Commission concurs with the Findings for Development Agreements per Merced Municipal Code Section 20.86.0809 and Resolution No. 1995-06, Section 301, as outlined in Exhibit A; and,

NOW THEREFORE, after reviewing the City's Draft Environmental Determination, and discussing all the issues, the Merced City Planning Commission does resolve to hereby adopt a Categorical Exemption regarding Environmental Review # 20-12, and recommend approval of the modification to the Development Agreement for Bellevue Ranch as described in the Draft Ordinance at Attachment B of Staff Report #20-15.

Upon motion by Commissioner ______, seconded by Commissioner ______, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s)

NOES: Commissioner(s)

ABSENT: Commissioner(s) ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s)

PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION #4043 Page 2 June 24, 2020

Adopted this 24th day of June 2020

Chairperson, Planning Commission of the City of Merced, California

ATTEST:

Secretary

Exhibits: Exhibit A – Findings/Considerations

n:shared:planning:PC Resolutions:Resolution Template

Findings and Considerations Planning Commission Resolution #4043 Modification to Bellevue Ranch Development Agreement

FINDINGS/CONSIDERATIONS:

General Plan/Zoning Compliance

A) The proposed project complies with the General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); the Master Development Plan for Bellevue Ranch (adopted on May 15, 1995); and the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42.

Bellevue Ranch West Development Progress

B) In 2012, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc. acquired the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West as well as Bellevue Ranch North. Since that time, the property owners have been making steady progress on the development of Bellevue Ranch West and North. In 2016, the City approved Tentative Subdivision Map #1304 for Village 12, for 242 single-family lots just north of Village 10. Village 12 has begun to develop with Final Maps recorded for all seven Phases. In 2018, Tentative Subdivision Map #1307 was granted for Lot A of Village 12 for another 43 single-family lots in place of a park and school site which were moved to another portion of Bellevue Ranch West. (A Final Map was recorded for Village 12 Lot A as well.) Approximately 36 homes have been completed and sold in Village 12 thus far. Also in 2018, Tentative Subdivision Map #1308 was approved for 14 large lots in Villages 17 through 22, the first step in developing those properties, with a Final Map subsequently recorded. In 2019, Tentative Subdivision Map #1310 was approved for Villages 17 and 18 for 249 single-family lots, with Final Map applications filed for Village 17 (61 lots) and Village 18A, Phase 1 (45 lots).

City staff has also been working with the developers on a weekly basis for over 2 years on various future amendments to the Master Development Plan to reflect changes to the MDP to address critical infrastructure financing and phasing and changes in circulation patterns, recently identified wetlands in Bellevue Ranch North, the change in the configuration of Fahrens Creek (the original proposal to channelize the creek along R Street will no longer be possible given wetlands and habitat issues), etc. The developers and City staff hope to be able to bring a comprehensive amendment to address all these issues to the Planning Commission and City Council for consideration in the near future.

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C) Progress has also been made on the development of Bellevue Ranch North with the following Tentative Subdivision Maps approved: 1) #1280 for Villages 23-36 for 30 large lots, originally approved in 2006 and extended in 2018; and, 2) #1305 for Village 23 (58 single-family lots) in 2019. Final Map applications have been filed for Villages 23, 21, and 29.

<u>Assessments</u>

D) In 2009, the Development Agreement for the remaining portions of Bellevue Ranch West was modified from 40 years to 25 years for failure to install required infrastructure and for delinquent assessments by the previous property owner, Woodside Homes. In checking with the City's Finance Department, the current property owner, Baxter Ranches LLC and Stonefield Home, Inc., is up-to-date through the most recent reporting period on their assessments.

Development Agreement Findings

E) Merced Municipal Code (MMC) Chapter 20.86--Development Agreements (Attachment C of Planning Commission Staff Report #20-15), spells out procedures for adopting and amending Development Agreements, which includes the requirement for public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council for adoption and amendments (MMC 20.86.050—Public Notice and Hearings and MMC 20.86.140—Amendment or Termination). Per Merced Municipal Code Section 20.86.080, the City Council may approve an application for a Development Agreement only if the following finding can be made.

MMC 20.86.080--Finding.

1. The City Council may approve an application for a Development Agreement only if the Development Agreement is consistent with the General Plan and any applicable specific or community plan.

As noted in Finding A of Staff Report #20-15 (above), the proposed project complies with the General Plan designations of Regional Community Commercial (RC), High Medium Density Residential (HMD), Low Medium Density Residential (LMD), Low Density Residential (LD), Open Space/Park Recreation (OS-PK), and School (SCH); the Master Development Plan for Bellevue Ranch (adopted on May 15, 1995); and the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42.

- F) In addition to the Finding above, Merced Municipal Code Section 20.86.030— Review Authority, states that "Procedures for considering Development Agreements are spelled out in this chapter and in City Council Resolution No. 1995-06, adopted on February 6, 1995. Resolution No. 1995-06, in Section 301, spells out that the Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council should include the following determination whether or not the Development Agreement proposed:
 - 1. Is consistent with the objectives, policies, general land uses and programs specified in the general plan and any applicable specific plan?

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2. Is compatible with the uses authorized in, and the regulations prescribed for, the land use district in which the real property is located?

As noted in Finding A of Staff Report #20-15 (above), the proposed project complies with the uses and regulations in the zoning classification of Planned Development (P-D) #42. The uses and regulations for Planned Development #42 match those of the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan.

3. Is in conformity with public convenience, general welfare, and good land use practice?

The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan was adopted in 1995 and contains a mixture of residential and commercial land uses that closely match the Urban Village Land Use Policies of the *Merced Vision 2030 General Plan*. Therefore, the Master Plan reflects the City's goals regarding land use and development as prescribed in the General Plan and thus represents good land use practice. There is nothing in the Master Plan or Development Agreement that interferes with public convenience or the general welfare.

4. Will be detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare?

Since the Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan and its associated Development Agreement conforms to the City's General Plan and Zoning Ordinance, development within the area will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare.

5. Will adversely affect the orderly development of property or the preservation of property valued?

The Bellevue Ranch Master Development Plan and the associated Development Agreement were designed to ensure the orderly development of the property and the preservation of property values by addressing land use, circulation, public facilities and services, parks and open space, and infrastructure phasing and financing for all future development in the area.

Environmental Clearance

G) Planning staff has conducted an environmental review (#20-12) of the project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and a Categorical Exemption is being recommended (Attachment E of Planning Commission Staff Report #20-15).

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