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David Fey, Executive Director
2607 Fresno Street Suite B
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Dear Mr. Fey:

This letter is in response to your request to update the Commission on the status of specific planning within the City of Fresno.

In June 2016 the City Council adopted a resolution expressing its priority of planning efforts. This was in response to the request from LAFCO to demonstrate to the Commission the intent to fund SEGA/SEDA planning. The priority of planning efforts listed the following as an "anticipated" schedule:

Originally Anticipated Schedule	Revised Anticipated Schedule	
2015-16	2015-17*	Southwest Specific Plan
2016-17	2018-19 ⁺	Roosevelt Specific Plan
2016	2016*	Urban Water Management Plan update
2016	rolled into plan	West Area Market Study
2017-18	2018-19/20 ⁺	West Area Specific Plan (north of Clinton)
2018-19	2019-20	SEDA Specific Plan
2019-20	2020-21	West Area Specific Plan (south of Clinton)
2020 and beyond	2021 and beyond	All areas available for development

*Completed

⁺Underway

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As you can see this is a very heavy (and expensive) schedule of planning priorities. The schedule was "anticipated" as is reflected in the resolution. While the schedule was developed deliberately using the best estimates available at the time, each individual planning process is a public one which may mean additional time is needed to ensure it is completed correctly. Additionally, funding is necessary to complete planning and CEQA work necessary to meet the requirements of a Specific Plan.

The City is pleased to report that the Southwest Specific Plan was adopted in the fall of 2017 – a year later than anticipated. The Roosevelt (now renamed Central Southeast) Specific Plan was kicked off earlier this year and hopes to complete in 2019 – nearly two years later than anticipated. The Urban Water Management Plan update was adopted in 2016 and the West Area planning process was started internally to save time and money. We now anticipate it will be completed in late 2019 or early 2020. Additionally, the City will be undertaking a new Specific Plan for our priority industrial development areas known as the "reverse triangle", south of the interchange of SR99 and SR41. This plan will be developed in the current fiscal year with expected adoption in the summer of 2019.

These were goals of the City Council to fund and initiate. The City has demonstrated a commitment to the process by funding over a \$1 million in planning activities since the resolution passed. The priority of plans has not been altered but the time and funding needed to complete has grown.

I hope this answers your questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Clark". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jennifer Clark, Director

cc: Lee Brand, Mayor
Tim Orman, Chief of Staff
Wilma Quan-Schechter, City Manager