# **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM: INITIAL STUDY**

Environmental Assessment (CEQA / EA) Number: N/A

Project Case Type (s) and Number(s): CZ2000001

**Lead Agency Name:** County of Riverside Planning Department **Address:** 4080 Lemon Street 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Riverside, CA 92501

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Applicant's Name: KoK Development, Inc.

Applicant's Address: 24020 Lawson Road, Corona, CA 92883

#### I. PROJECT INFORMATION

**Project Description: CHANGE OF ZONE NO. CZ2000001** – Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration – provided a plot plan is approved at a public hearing in accordance with Section 18.30 of Ordinance No. 348. Applicant: Kok Development, Inc – Engineer/Representative: Arean Park. Location: Countywide.

**REQUEST:** Change of Zone No. CZ2000001 is an amendment to Ordinance No. 348.4978, Ordinance of the County of Riverside Providing for Land Use Planning and Zoning Regulations and Related Functions, Article XIX Advertising Regulations, Sections 19.2, through 19.5 regarding On-Site Advertising Structures and Signs, technical changes, and language clarifications. Change of Zone No. CZ2000001 will establish locations, development, and operation standards for various signs, and a permitting process to allow for on-site digital signage. Technical changes and language clarifications include the adjustment of formatting for defined terms, and the categorization or reorganization of text sections which do not change the intent or existing requirements within existing language.

Digital signage would be permitted for on-site advertising only (not general advertising) in various commercial and manufacturing/industrial zones provided all location and development standards are met and a plot plan is approved at a public hearing in according with Section 18.30 of Ordinance No. 348.

Location standards for digital signs include the following: limiting the distance between digital signs, including limits on free standing signs located within 660 feet of a freeway to 1,000 feet from another digital sign (applies to digital and non-digital signs); restrictions on location of signs; limitations on mobile displays; compliance standards where signs are located within special lighting areas or Airport Influence Areas.

Development standards for digital signs include the following: size limits to the display face; limitations to a maximum of two display faces; height limitation of 20 feet for signs not located within 660 feet of a freeway; , limitations to brightness/luminance, including specific brightness constraints tied to hours of the day; display controls, with the ability to control luminance levels and automatic dimming technology; display face is limited to 50 square feet in area, which can be increased for the building area of a shopping center up to a maximum of 200 square feet; limiting hours of operation for digital signs located within 300 feet of residential or conservation areas; materials must be non-reflective, black background and designed to further prevent light refraction and diffuse the light; all sounds or odors generation are not allowed; and limiting the number of freestanding signs to one sign per parcel, unless increased to two signs for certain shopping centers (applied to both digital and non-digital signs). No digital signs will be allowed to rotate or have other embellishments (e.g. propellers, flags). Lastly, no digital signs will be allowed that obstruct any traffic sign, signals, or cause any other traffic risks, including the vision of drivers approaching, merging, or intersecting traffic.

Along with other clarification changes, approval of all other On-Site Advertising Structures or Signs will remain ministerial provided all location and development standards are met. Updates to the On-Site Advertising

Structures or Signs sections shall apply to new signs and include the following: Increased maximum height of freestanding signs from 45 to 50 feet when located within 660 feet from the edge of a highway line, increased maximum allowable sign area, and architectural framing in excess of allowable sign area, provided a permit is obtained. The maximum surface area of a sign shall not exceed 150 square feet except for project sites with an area in excess of 15 acres, the sign area shall be 10 square feet per acre of the site up to a maximum of 400 square feet. Moreover, for onsite advertising freestanding signs not located within 660 feet of a freeway and located within a commercial or manufacturing/industrial zone, the signs will be limited to the following: signs shall be limited to 20 feet in height; sign areas shall range between 50 to 200 square feet (limited to a maximum of 50 feet for all other zones). These changes apply to unincorporated areas of Riverside County. Refer to Appendix A for the proposed Ordinance revisions.

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A. Type of Project:	Site Specif	ïc	Community ☐; Policy ☐.	
B. Total Project Are	ea: County	wide		
Residential Acres:	Lots:	Units:	Projected No. of Residen	ıts:
Commercial Acres: Industrial Acres: Other:	Lots: Lots:	Sq. Ft. of Bldg. Area: Sq. Ft. of Bldg. Area:	Est. No. of Employees: Est. No. of Employees:	
C. Assessor's Parc	cel No(s): C	ountywide		
Street References: Cou	untywide			
D. Section, Towns Countywide	ship & Ran	ge Description or refe	erence/attach a Legal Des	scription
E. Brief descriptio surroundings:		xisting environmental s	setting of the project site	and its
F. Other Public Ag	ency Involv	ement and Required Per	mits:	
II. APPLICABLE GE	NERAL PLA	AN AND ZONING REGUL	ATIONS	
A. General Plan Ele	ements/Poli	cies: Countywide for all be	elow	
1. Land Use:				
2. Circulation:				
3. Multipurpose	e Open Spac	ce:		
4. Safety:				
5. Noise:				
6. Housing:				
7. Air Quality:				
8. Healthy Com	munities:			
a) Environme	ental Justice	e Summary:		

В.	General Plan Area Plan(s):
C.	Foundation Component(s):
D.	Land Use Designation(s):
E.	Overlay(s), if any:
F.	Policy Area(s), if any:
G.	Adjacent and Surrounding:
	1. General Plan Area Plan(s):
	2. Foundation Component(s):
	3. Land Use Designation(s):
	4. Overlay(s), if any:
	5. Policy Area(s), if any:
Н.	Adopted Specific Plan Information
	1. Name and Number of Specific Plan, if any:
	2. Specific Plan Planning Area, and Policies, if any:
I.	Existing Zoning:
J.	Proposed Zoning, if any:
K.	Adjacent and Surrounding Zoning:
III.	ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED
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Bid	Quality       Land Use / Planning       Tribal Cultural Resources         blogical Resources       Mineral Resources       Utilities / Service Systems         Itural Resources       Wildfire         ergy       Paleontological Resources       Mandatory Findings of Significance         cology / Soils       Population / Housing       Significance         eenhouse Gas Emissions       Public Services

# IV. DETERMINATION

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS NOT
PREPARED
☐ I find that the proposed project <b>COULD NOT</b> have a significant effect on the environment, and a <b>NEGATIVE DECLARATION</b> will be prepared.
☐ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there
will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project, described in this document,
have been made or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
will be prepared.
☐ I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED
I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, <b>NO</b>
NEW ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED because (a) all potentially significant
effects of the proposed project have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or Negative Declaration
pursuant to applicable legal standards, (b) all potentially significant effects of the proposed project have
been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (c) the proposed project
will not result in any new significant environmental effects not identified in the earlier EIR or Negative
Declaration, (d) the proposed project will not substantially increase the severity of the environmental
effects identified in the earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (e) no considerably different mitigation
measures have been identified and (f) no mitigation measures found infeasible have become feasible.
☐ I find that although all potentially significant effects have been adequately analyzed in an earlier
EIR or Negative Declaration pursuant to applicable legal standards, some changes or additions are
necessary but none of the conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162 exist.
An <b>ADDENDUM</b> to a previously-certified EIR or Negative Declaration has been prepared and will be
considered by the approving body or bodies.
I find that at least one of the conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162
exist, but I further find that only minor additions or changes are necessary to make the previous EIR
adequately apply to the project in the changed situation; therefore a <b>SUPPLEMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT</b> is required that need only contain the information necessary to
make the previous EIR adequate for the project as revised.
I find that at least one of the following conditions described in California Code of Regulations,
Section 15162, exist and a SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required: (1)
Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR
or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial
increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; (2) Substantial changes have occurred
with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major
revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant
environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
or (3) New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known
with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the
negative declaration was adopted, shows any the following:(A) The project will have one or more
significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration;(B) Significant effects
previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR or negative
declaration;(C) Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project
proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives; or,(D) Mitigation measures or
alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR or negative
declaration would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project on the environment,
but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives.

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#### V. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21000-21178.1), this Initial Study has been prepared to analyze the proposed project to determine any potential significant impacts upon the environment that would result from construction and implementation of the project. In accordance with California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, this Initial Study is a preliminary analysis prepared by the Lead Agency, the County of Riverside, in consultation with other jurisdictional agencies, to determine whether a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, or an Environmental Impact Report is required for the proposed project. The purpose of this Initial Study is to inform the decision-makers, affected agencies, and the public of potential environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed project.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
AESTHETICS Would the project:				-
<ol> <li>Scenic Resources         <ul> <li>a) Have a substantial effect upon a scenic highway corridor within which it is located?</li> </ul> </li> </ol>				
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings and unique landmark features; obstruct any prominent scenic vista or view open to the public; or result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?				
c) In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage points.) If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?				

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure C-8 "Scenic Highways"

Findings of Fact:

#### a-c) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment in regard to scenic resources. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the

development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA as part of the plot plan process, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing scenic quality. The ordinance amendment, as discussed in the project description and shown in the updated ordinance, includes digital display requirements such as, but not limited to, size, location, digital display controls, hours of operation, design, dimming/brightness, luminance, transitions, materials used, physical movement and compliance with lighting ordinances. The minor increase in height from 45 to 50 feet for non-digital signs would be minimal, as well as the potential increase in sign area at shopping centers. The ordinance amendment includes regulations for Scenic Highways for distances and widths within roadway right-of-way (see Appendix A, Section 1-S, Significant Resources 1-7). The ordinance amendment also includes regulations and requirements for onsite signage on buildings, monument signs and sheathed-support signs along scenic corridors designated within the Eastern Coachella Valley and Western Coachella Valley Community Plans (refer to Appendix A, Section 3-I, On-Site Signage Along Scenic Corridors Designated within the Eastern Coachella Valley and Western Coachella Valley Community Plans, 1 - 5). However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, as illustrated in the proposed ordinance amendment, multiple controls, and restrictions (height, location, zone restrictions, limitations to hours of operations for projects located close to residential or conservation zones, etc.) have been including within the ordinance to help reduce any potential impacts, including aesthetic and lighting impacts. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not have a substantial effect upon scenic resources. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.		
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.		
2. Mt. Palomar Observatory a) Interfere with the nighttime use of the Mt. Palomar Observatory, as protected through Riverside County Ordinance No. 655?		

**Source(s):** GIS database, Ord. No. 655 (Regulating Light Pollution)

Findings of Fact:

# a) Less Than Significant Impact

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proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment in regard to scenic resources. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations, Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA (if required), as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations, including compliance with Ordinance No. 655 that regulates light pollution. The ordinance amendment has lighting and illumination requirements to control the display design, luminance/brightness, display transitions, signage movement, hours of operation and the requirement to comply with Riverside County Lighting Ordinances. These controls/restrictions will greatly reduce any potential physical environmental impacts for future digital signs related to lighting. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not have a substantial effect upon the nighttime use of the Mt. Palomar Observatory. Impacts would be considered less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.			
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
3. Other Lighting Issues  a) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			
b) Expose residential property to unacceptable light levels?		$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Ord. No. 655 and Ord. No. 915.

Findings of Fact:

## a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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in regard to creating substantial light, glare or unacceptable light levels. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

Please see responses above and the project description for additional details. The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations, including compliance with Ordinance No. 655 that regulates light pollution. This would include compliance with Riverside County Ordinance No. 915. Ordinance No. 915 requires that all outdoor luminaries shall be located, adequately shielded, and directed such that no direct light falls outside the parcel of origin, or onto the public right-of-way. Outdoor luminaries shall not blink, flash or rotate. Adherence to Ordinance No. 955 and Ordinance No. 655 (where it would apply) along with design review and approvals by the County would ensure that certain levels of light, light trespass, and associated glare would not jeopardize the health, safety, general welfare, or degrade the quality of life of the existing land uses within the surrounding community. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause other lighting issues. Impacts would be considered less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

AGRICULTURE & FOREST RESOURCES Would the project:		
4. Agriculture  a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?		
b) Conflict with existing agricultural zoning, agricultural use or with land subject to a Williamson Act contract or land within a Riverside County Agricultural Preserve?		
c) Cause development of non-agricultural uses within 300 feet of agriculturally zoned property (Ordinance No. 625 "Right-to-Farm")?		
d) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?		

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**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-2 "Agricultural Resources," GIS database, Project Application Materials, Ord. No. 625 (Right to Farm)

Findings of Fact:

### a-d) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would convert farmland to non-agricultural use, nor impair properties zoned for agricultural uses. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations. This would include compliance with Riverside County Ordinance No. 625, Right to Farm. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. The proposed ordinance amendment would not involve changes in the existing environment that would result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural uses. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not convert farmland, nor impair agricultural zoned properties. Impacts would be less than significant.

<ul><li><u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.</li><li><u>Monitoring:</u> No monitoring is required.</li></ul>		
a) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Govt. Code section 51104(g))?		

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b) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?			$\boxtimes$	
c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-3a "Forestry Resources Western Riverside County Parks, Forests, and Recreation Areas," Figure OS-3b "Forestry Resources Eastern Riverside County Parks, Forests, and Recreation Areas," Project Application Materials

### Findings of Fact:

# a-c) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would convert forest land to non- forest use, nor impair properties zoned for timberland production. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations. This would include compliance with Public Resources Code section 12220(q)), Public Resources Code section 4526, or Govt. Code section 51104(g)) that relate to forestland, native trees and timberland. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. The proposed ordinance amendment would not involve changes in the existing environment that would result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural uses. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not convert forest or timberland, nor impair timberland zoned properties. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

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AIR QUALITY Would the project:				
6. Air Quality Impacts  a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?				
c) Expose sensitive receptors, which are located within one (1) mile of the project site, to substantial pollutant concentrations?				
d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?			$\boxtimes$	

Source(s): Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Climate Action Plan ("CAP"), SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook

### Findings of Fact:

# a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of an applicable air quality plan, result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations. This would include compliance/consistency with the Riverside County Climate Action Plan and the South Coast Air Quality Management District air quality emissions regulations. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Further, digital signage implementation would not create any particular air quality

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impacts beyond a typical signage installation, the construction of which would be anticipated to be very minimal in nature. Operation would utilize electricity, which would not emit any particulates that could impact air quality. It's unlikely that the project would have significant regional air quality impacts. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with an air quality management plan or generate new sources of air emissions. Impacts would be less than significant.

# c-d) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not expose people to substantial pollutant concentrations, or result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations. This would include compliance/consistency with the Riverside County Climate Action Plan and the South Coast Air Quality Management District air quality emissions regulations. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Further, digital signage implementation would not create any particular air quality impacts beyond a typical signage installation, the construction of which would be anticipated to be very minimal in nature. Operation would utilize electricity, which would not emit any particulates that could impact air quality. It's unlikely that the project would have significant regional air quality impacts. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not expose people to substantial pollutant concentrations, or result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people. Impacts are considered less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

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BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
7. Wildlife & Vegetation a) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Conservation Community Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state conservation plan?				
b) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any endangered, or threatened species, as listed in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (Sections 670.2 or 670.5) or in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (Sections 17.11 or 17.12)?			$\boxtimes$	
c) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U. S. Wildlife Service?				
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
f) Have a substantial adverse effect on State or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?			$\boxtimes$	
g) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				
Source(s): GIS database, WRCMSHCP and/or CVMSHCP				

Findings of Fact:

# a) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a substantial adverse effect, either directly or

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through habitat modifications, on any endangered, or threatened species because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing biological or agency regulatory permitting issues. This would include compliance/consistency with the MSHCP and other wildlife agency requirements. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Moreover, any digital signs located within 300 feet of any areas identified for conservation would be limited to operate only from 6 am to 10 pm. This would reduce nighttime impacts within conservation areas. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Conservation Community Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state conservation plan. Impacts are considered less than significant.

#### b-d) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not modify any habitat and would not cause a substantial adverse effect on any endangered, or threatened species. The ordinance amendment would not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites because no physical development would occur processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with

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CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing biological or regulatory permitting issues. Depending on the disturbance/nature of a subsequent digital signage project, which may be required to comply with the following:

- MSHCP Consistency
- Regional Conservation Agency (RCA) Review/Process
- Habitat Evaluation and Acquisition Strategy (HANS) Review/Process
- US Fish and Wildlife Service Regulatory Permitting Requirements
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife Regulatory Permitting Requirements
- Regional Water Quality Control Board Regulatory Permitting Requirements
- Payment of Development Impact Fees, for example, but not limited to, Ordinance 663
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act

This is a brief listing of potential biological requirements that a future digital signage project may be required to comply with. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Because of mandatory compliance with biological regulations, the ordinance amendment would not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. As stated prior, any digital signs located within 300 feet of any areas identified for conservation would be limited to operate only from 6 am to 10 pm. This would reduce nighttime impacts within conservation areas. Impacts would be less than significant.

# e-f) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. No direct wetland removal, filling, or hydrological interruption would occur because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing biological or agency regulatory permitting issues. This would include compliance/consistency with the MSHCP and other wildlife agency requirements. However, to

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conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications that would impact riparian habitat or protected wetlands. Any digital signs located within 300 feet of any areas identified for conservation would be limited to operate only from 6 am to 10 pm. This would reduce nighttime impacts within conservation areas. No direct wetland removal, filling, or hydrological interruption would occur because no physical development would occur as part of the ordinance amendment and impacts would be less than significant.

# g) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing tree preservation. This would include compliance/consistency with the County of Riverside Ordinance No. 599, which regulates the removal of trees and the Riverside County Oak Tree Management Guidelines. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance because no physical development would occur with the ordinance amendment and impacts would be less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
<ul><li><u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.</li><li><u>Monitoring:</u> No monitoring is required.</li></ul>				
CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
8. Historic Resources a) Alter or destroy a historic site?			$\boxtimes$	
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?				

**Source(s):** Digital aerial photograph Inspection, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not alter or destroy a historic site, nor cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource cultural or historic resources because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing cultural or historic resources. This would include any State or federal signage regulations governing historic buildings and historic districts. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not alter or destroy a historic site, nor cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource cultural or historic resources because of compliance with regulations mentioned above and impacts would be less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
<ul><li><u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.</li><li><u>Monitoring:</u> No monitoring is required.</li></ul>				
9. Archaeological Resources a) Alter or destroy an archaeological site?			$\boxtimes$	
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?			$\boxtimes$	
c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?			$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s)**: Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

# a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

# Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not alter or destroy an archaeological site, nor cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing cultural or archaeological resources. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, any stand-alone digital sign application would likely be on previously impacted land, or would only involve minimal grading, greatly reducing the potential for any impacts to cultural resources. Thus, the proposed

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ordinance amendment would not alter or destroy an archaeological site, nor cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource because of compliance with regulations mentioned above and impacts would be less than significant.

# c) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require review and approval from the County and compliance with CEQA, if deemed warranted. The proposed ordinance amendment would not disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving the discovery of human remains. More specifically, any digital signage applications will be required to adhere to State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 if in the event that human remains are encountered and by ensuring that no further disturbance occur until the County Coroner has made the necessary findings as to origin of the remains. Furthermore, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98 (b), remains shall be left in place and free from disturbance until a final decision as to the treatment and their disposition has been made. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not disturb any human remains because of compliance with regulations discussed above. Impacts would be less than significant.

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10. Energy Impacts			$\boxtimes$	
<b>ENERGY</b> Would the project:				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result in potentially significant environmental impacts due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation?				
b) Conflict with or obstruct a State or Local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?			$\boxtimes$	

Source(s): Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Climate Action Plan ("CAP"), Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in potentially significant environmental impacts due to wasteful, inefficient or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, nor conflict with renewable energy or energy efficiency plans because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA (if required), as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing energy consumption or energy wastefulness. Also, any subsequent proposed digital signage application would be required to comply with the latest EPA and CARB engine emissions standards, as well as compliance with Title 24 energy efficiency standards. Further, most digital display signage is composed of Light-emitting diode (LED) lighting, which have a longer lifespan, are more energy efficient and have lower maintenance cost than the outdated incandescent lighting signage. The ordinance amendment states that displays shall use the most advanced techniques to insure the most energy efficient methods of display illumination, further ensuring any impacts related to energy are less than significant. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not have a substantial effect upon energy resources. Impacts would be less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project directly or indirect	ctly:			
11. Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone or County		П	$\square$	
Fault Hazard Zones		ш		
a) Be subject to rupture of a known earthquake fault,				
as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake				
Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area				
or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault?				

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure S-2 "Earthquake Fault Study Zones," and seismic hazards discussion, GIS database

#### Findings of Fact:

# a) Less Than Significant Impact

# Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to rupture due to seismic/earthquake events because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing seismic or faulting issues. Also, any subsequent proposed digital signage applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not have a

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
substantial effect upon potential rupture due to seism less than significant.	ic/earthqual	ke events. In	npacts wou	ld be
<ul><li><u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.</li><li><u>Monitoring:</u> No monitoring is required.</li></ul>				
12. Liquefaction Potential Zone a) Be subject to seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				

Source(s): Riverside County General Plan Figure S-3 "Generalized Liquefaction,"

Findings of Fact:

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to liquefaction due to seismic/earthquake events because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing seismic or faulting issues. Any digital signage application would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction. Impacts would be less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
13. Ground-shaking Zone a) Be subject to strong seismic ground shaking?			$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure S-4 "Earthquake-Induced Slope Instability Map," and Figures S-13 through S-21 (showing General Ground Shaking Risk)

#### Findings of Fact:

# a) Less Than Significant Impact

## Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to strong seismic ground shaking due to seismic/earthquake events because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing seismic or faulting issues. Any digital sign applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. To conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to seismic-related ground shaking. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
14. Landslide Risk  a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, collapse, or rockfall hazards?				
Source(s): On-site Inspection, Riverside County General Plan Figure S	S-5 "Regions U	nderlain by Ste	ep Slope,"	
Findings of Fact:				
a) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>				
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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the En				
any physical construction. Any subsequent digital sign to the ordinance, review and approval from the Coproposed ordinance amendment would not be subjected development would occur with the processing of an older than significant.	ounty, and o	compliance v de risks beca	vith CEQA luse no ph	. The ysical
Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect	t Physical C	hange in the	Environme	nt:
The ordinance amendment would add regulations for Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signal development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, subsequent proposed signage application would be CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, Society regulations governing landslide issues. Also, digital comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecifications based upon this ordinance amendment speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis future digital signage applications would be distinct prown independent utility, which would require their of compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment impacts would be less than significant.	age applicate, Article XIX separately estate and Cosign applicated number throughout the orinformed projects starty.	ions would be Advertising Fexamined in a current would attend to the County wed decision-needing on their review, apprending apprending and the county would be county wed to the county would be county would	ne subject to Regulations accordance side policie be required be future sigually be enaking. Pot rown, with oval and C	to the s. Any e with s and ed to vever, gnage entirely ential their CEQA
Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
15. Ground Subsidence			$\boxtimes$	

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unst	a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is table, or that would become unstable as a result of the ect, and potentially result in ground subsidence?
Sour	ce(s): Riverside County General Plan Figure S-7 "Documented Subsidence Areas Map,"
<u>Findi</u>	ngs of Fact:
a)	Less Than Significant Impact
	Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001
	Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:
	The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to subsidence risks because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.
	Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:
	The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing ground subsidence issues. Also, digital sign applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to ground subsidence. Impacts would be less than significant.
	ation: No mitigation is required.
IVIUIII	toring: No monitoring is required.
	Other Geologic Hazards  a) Be subject to geologic hazards, such as seiche, dflow, or volcanic hazard?

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**Source(s):** Digital aerial inspections, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

## Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to geologic hazard risk or would not be subject to seiches, mudflows or volcanic hazards because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing geologic hazard issues. Also, digital sign applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to geologic hazards such as seiche, mudflow, or volcanic hazard. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.			
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
17. Slopes		$\square$	
a) Change topography or ground surface relief			Ш
features?			
b) Create cut or fill slopes greater than 2:1 or higher		$\square$	
than 10 feet?		$\boxtimes$	Ш
c) Result in grading that affects or negates		$\square$	
subsurface sewage disposal systems?		$\boxtimes$	Ш

Potentially	Less than	Less	No
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	Incorporated	•	

**Source(s)**: Digital aerial photo review, Riv. Co. 800-Scale Slope Maps, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

## Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the existing topography or ground surface, or the creation of cut and fill slopes because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations grading and engineering design requirements. Also, digital sign applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. If a digital signage application required grading plans, the grading plans would be required to be designed by a licensed engineer and approved by the County. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not change topography or ground surface relief features, nor would it create cut or fill slopes greater than 2:1 or higher than 10 feet. Impacts would be less than significant.

# c) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change from grading that would affect or negate any subsurface sewage disposal systems because no physical

Potentially	Less than	Less	No
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development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal. State and County of Riverside policies and regulations grading and engineering design requirements. Also, digital sign applications would be required to comply with the latest California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. If a digital signage application required grading plans, the grading plans would be required to be designed by a licensed engineer and approved by the County. Further, In the unlikely event that a digital signage facility would impact a septic system, the County would require soils reports for grading that affects or negates subsurface sewage disposal systems. The Riverside County Department of Health would require review and approvals for installation or removal of a septic system. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in grading that affects or negates subsurface sewage disposal systems. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required. Monitoring: No monitoring is required. Soils 18.  $\boxtimes$ a) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil? Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Section  $\boxtimes$ 1803.5.3 of the California Building Code (2022), creating substantial direct or indirect risks to life or property? c) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting use  $\boxtimes$ of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?

Findings of Fact:

**Source(s):** U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation Service Soil Surveys, Project Application Materials

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# a) Less Than Significant Impact

## Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change from grading that would result in signage development being placed on expansive soils because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing soil erosion or loss of topsoil. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. Impacts would be less than significant.

# b) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

# Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not locate a project on expansive soil, as defined in Section 1803.5.3 of the California Building Code (2022), creating substantial direct or indirect risks to life or property because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

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The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA. Any digital sign project applications would be required to comply with the most current California Building Code (2022 CBC) regulating development. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not locate a digital signage project on expansive soil, as defined in Section 1803.5.3 of the California Building Code (2022), creating substantial direct or indirect risks to life or property. Impacts would be less than significant.

# c) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change and would not be subject to the effects of soils being incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater because no physical development would occur with the processing of an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA. It is unlikely that any digital sign project application would require septic system facilities that would be subject to the effects of soils being incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater. This would only be an issue if the digital sign was merely a component of a larger development, as it would not contribute in and of itself to any such impacts. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. It is anticipated that any digital signage project would not require septic system facilities. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to the effects of soils

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being incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.  Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
<ul> <li>19. Wind Erosion and Blowsand from project either on or off site.</li> <li>a) Be impacted by or result in an increase in wind erosion and blowsand, either on or off site?</li> </ul>		$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Riverside County 2019 General Plan Safety Element Figure S-8 "Wind Erosion Susceptibility Areas," Ord. No. 460, Article XV & Ord. No. 484

# Findings of Fact:

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

# Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in ground disturbance or grading that may result in exposure to or cause an increase in wind erosion and blowsand, either on- or off-site because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing measures to control or reduce the potential for blowsand. Future digital signage proposals would also be required to comply with standard engineering practices for erosion control and all grading operations, land clearing, loading, stockpiling, landscaping, vehicular track-out and haul routes would be required to comply with SCAQMD Rule 403, Fugitive Dust Emissions. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance

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amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be subject to the effects of blowsand issues. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS Would the project:		
20. Greenhouse Gas Emissions a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?		
b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?		

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Climate Action Plan ("CAP"), Project Application Materials,

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment – Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in the generation of greenhouse gas emissions, nor conflict with plans, policy or regulations pertaining to greenhouse gas reductions because no physical development would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA. Future digital signage projects would be required to comply with plans, policies, and regulations pertaining to greenhouse gas reductions Future digital signage proposals would also

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be required to comply with The County's Climate Action Plan (CAP) to assist with the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Moreover, any construction and operation of a future digital sign would only contribute minimal potential for greenhouse gas emissions, or any air quality emissions overall. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in the generation of greenhouse gas emissions, nor conflict with plans, policy or regulations pertaining to greenhouse gas reductions. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Would the project	ect.		
21. Hazards and Hazardous Materials  a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?			
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?			
c) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan?			
d) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter (1/4) mile of an existing or proposed school?		$\boxtimes$	
e) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			

**Source(s):** Project Application Materials, Riverside Department of Waste Resources Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan. County of Riverside Emergency Management Department. Riverside County General Plan. California Department of Toxic Substance Control.

Findings of Fact:

#### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

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The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials, or create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed signage application would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA. Future digital signage projects would be required to comply with hazardous material policies, regulations and safety plans so that the release of hazardous materials during transportation, disposal or accidental release would not occur. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Moreover, any grading for such designs would be minimal. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials, or create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment. Impacts would be less than significant.

# c) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing emergency access and evacuation. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan. Impacts would be less than significant.

# d) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within ¼ mile of an existing or proposed school because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing the potential to emit hazardous emissions or materials ¼ mile from a existing or proposed school. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, any of these future digital signs would not emit any hazardous materials and would not be anticipated to create any hazardous impacts. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not emit hazardous emissions or

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hazardous materials within  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile of an existing or proposed school. Impacts would be less than significant.

### e) Less Than Significant Impact

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing hazardous sites. If required, a project site for digital signage would need to be researched utilizing the California Environmental Protection Agency's website to determine if it is on any of the lists which constitute the Cortese List. A soils report may also be required to verify no hazardous materials exist on site. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites. Impacts would be less than significant.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
22. Airports			$\square$	
a) Result in an inconsistency with an Airport Master		Ш		Ш
Plan?				
b) Require review by the Airport Land Use			$\boxtimes$	
Commission?				
c) For a project located within an airport land use plan			$\square$	
or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two (2)			$\boxtimes$	
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miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
d) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, or heliport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?			$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure S-20 "Airport Locations," GIS database, Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) Development Review – Directors Determination letter dated May 22, 2023

#### Findings of Fact:

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in an inconsistency with an Airport Master Plan because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. The ALUC stated that the proposed amendments to the ordinance do not involve changes in development standards or allowable land uses that would be in conflict with the underlying compatibility criteria. Therefore, the amendments would not impact the safety of air navigation within the County of Riverside.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply the regulations and policies as governed by the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC). If required, a project site for digital signage would need to be consistent with ALUC conditions for development within certain Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones. The ordinance amendment states that within an Airport Influence Area, the proposed Digital Display shall be submitted to the Airport Land Use Commission for review and compliance with applicable Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. The ordinance amendment has requirements for digital display transitions that would not allow instantaneous image changes, seamless transitions from one image to the next with no strobing effect, and no moving text or images are allowed. Still images only shall be allowed without flashing, blinking scintillating, traveling, intermittent or moving lights. The digital display would not be allowed to produce the optical illusion of movement, or use animation/videos. Regardless, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would

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not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Pursuant to a letter from ALUC dated May 22, 2023, the proposed amendment was found consistent with all Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plans. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in an inconsistency with an Airport Master Plan. Impacts would be less than significant.

## b) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not require review by ALUC because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. The ALUC stated that the proposed amendments to the ordinance do not involve changes in development standards or allowable land uses that would be in conflict with the underlying compatibility criteria. Therefore, the amendments would not impact the safety of air navigation within the County of Riverside.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply the regulations and policies as governed by the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC). A project site for digital signage would require review by ALUC if located within an Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. Also, a proposed digital sign project would need to be consistent with ALUC conditions for development within certain Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Pursuant to a letter from ALUC dated May 22, 2023, the proposed amendment was reviewed by ALUC and found to be consistent with all Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plans. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment has been reviewed by ALUC and impacts are considered less than significant.

### c-d) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in airport land use plan areas, or within the vicinity of a private airstrip/heliport because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply the regulations and policies as governed by the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC). A project site for digital signage would require review by ALUC if located within an Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. Also, a proposed digital sign project would need to be consistent with ALUC conditions for development within certain Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Pursuant to a letter from ALUC dated May 22, 2023, the proposed amendment was reviewed by ALUC and found to be consistent with all Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plans. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment has been reviewed by ALUC and impacts are considered less than significant.

Mitigation:	No mitigation is required.
Monitoring:	No monitoring is required.

HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project:			
<ul><li>23. Water Quality Impacts</li><li>a) Violate any water quality standards or waste</li></ul>		$\boxtimes$	
discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality?			
b) Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater			
management of the basin?			

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c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces?				
d) Result in substantial erosion or siltation on-site or off-site?			$\boxtimes$	
e) Substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding onsite or off-site?			$\boxtimes$	
f) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				
g) Impede or redirect flood flows?			$\boxtimes$	
h) In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk the release of pollutants due to project inundation?			$\boxtimes$	
<ul> <li>i) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?</li> </ul>				

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure S-9 "Special Flood Hazard Areas," Figure S-10 "Dam Failure Inundation Zone," Riverside County Flood Control District Flood Hazard Report/ Condition, GIS database

#### Findings of Fact:

#### a) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply the regulations and policies as governed by the State/Regional Water Regional Quality Control Board. Any future digital signage projects would be reviewed by the County to see if the project would be required to provide a Water Quality Management Plan to identify Best Management Practices to control runoff and treatment of

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source water to reduce pollutants, including compliance with the provisions of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Grading Permit. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality. Impacts would be less than significant.

### b) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply the regulations and policies as governed by the State/Regional Water Regional Quality Control Board. Any future digital signage projects would be reviewed by the County to see if the project would impact the County's projected water supply. It is unlikely that implementation of a digital signage project would have an impact on water supply due to the nature of such a project. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would substantially alter existing drainage patterns of a site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces; result in substantial erosion or siltation on-site or off-site; or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site of a subject property because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations pertaining to engineering design and drainage requirements, as applicable, to ensure that adverse effects pertaining to drainage, erosion or siltation, or changes in stormwater runoff do not occur. All future digital signage projects would be subject to conformance with the County's engineering design requirement for drainage and stormwater quality, as appropriate. In addition, the utilization of best management practices and compliance with relevant regulating agencies would further reduce potential effects of erosion and siltation resulting from any ground disturbing activities. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would substantially alter existing drainage patterns of a site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces; result in substantial erosion or siltation on-site or off-site; or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site of a subject property. Impacts would be less than significant.

### f) Less Than Significant Impact

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment

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that would create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations pertaining to engineering drainage design requirements, as applicable, to ensure that adverse effects pertaining to changes in stormwater runoff or quality do not occur and that stormwater runoff can be adequately accommodated via the County's stormwater infrastructure systems. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff. Impacts would be less than significant.

### g) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would impede or redirect flood flows because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations pertaining to engineering drainage design requirements, as applicable, to ensure that adverse effects pertaining to flooding do not occur. The placement of any signage on a site

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would be reviewed by the County to verify that any structure to support a sign would not be located in an area that would impede or redirect flood flows. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would impede or redirect flood flows. Impacts would be less than significant.

## h) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would cause the risk of release of pollutants due to inundation where properties are located in a flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zone because no physical development or operational activities would occur with the processing an ordinance amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations pertaining to flooding, as applicable, and to ensure that adverse effects such as the release of pollutants due to inundation does not occur. The placement of any signage on a site would be reviewed by the County to verify that any structure to support a sign would not be located in an area that would impede or redirect flood flows. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would cause the risk of release of pollutants due to inundation where properties are located in a flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zone. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project includes an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in a direct physical change in the environment that would cause a conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations pertaining to stormwater quality (i.e., conformance with mandatory requirements of the NPDES General Permit, approval of a Water Quality Management Plan, etc.), as applicable, to ensure that adverse effects do not occur. Potential effects on groundwater may also be evaluated, as appropriate, depending on the nature and location of the proposed signage structure. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in a direct physical change in the environment that would cause a conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

LAND USE AND PLANNING Would the project:			
24. Land Use		$\square$	
<ul> <li>a) Physically divide an established community?</li> </ul>	Ш		Ш
b) Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?			

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan, GIS database, Project Application Materials

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### **Findings of Fact:**

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The proposed ordinance amendment would not disrupt or divide the physical arrangement of an established community because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside policies and regulations so that proposed digital signs would not create barriers (roadways, storm channels, utility transmission lines, etc.) that would divide an established community. Digital signage proposals would be required to apply for a Plot Plan, which would be reviewed and approved by the County. The changing of an advertising message or customary maintenance of a legally existing Outdoor Advertising Display shall not require a Plot Plan and would be ministerially reviewed and approved. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not disrupt or divide the physical arrangement of an established community. Impacts would be less than significant.

### b) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an

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environmental effect because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with applicable State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing land use, including those aimed at reducing a potentially significant environmental effect. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a direct physical change in the environment that would cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

MINERAL RESOURCES Would the project:			
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region or the residents of the State?			
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally- important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?			
c) Potentially expose people or property to hazards from proposed, existing, or abandoned quarries or mines?		$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-6 "Mineral Resources Area."

Findings of Fact:

#### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region or the residents of the State, nor result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan, because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing mining and mineral resources. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region or the residents of the State, nor result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### c) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not expose people or property to hazards from proposed, existing, or abandoned quarries or mines because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any

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subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing mining and mineral resources. A digital signage project is not the type of project that would involve surface mining or other mining activities that would expose people or property to hazards from quarries or mines. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not expose people or property to hazards from proposed, existing, or abandoned quarries or mines Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

NOISE Would the project result in:			
26. Airport Noise		$\square$	
a) For a project located within an airport land use plan	Ш		
or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two (2)			
miles of a public airport or public use airport would the project			
expose people residing or working in the project area to			
excessive noise levels?			
b) For a project located within the vicinity of a private		$\square$	
airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working			Ш
in the project area to excessive noise levels?			

Source(s): Riverside County General Plan Figure S-20 "Airport Locations," County of Riverside Airport Facilities Map

Findings of Fact:

#### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive airport noise levels because no development is proposed. Impacts would be less than significant.

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The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal. State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing airport noise levels, including potential ALUC review. The ordinance amendment states that within and Airport Influence Area, proposed Digital Display signage shall be submitted to the Airport Land Use Commission for review and compliance with the applicable Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. The ordinance amendment also states that no propellers, flags, or other noise creating devices, and no architectural embellishments which utilize mechanical or natural forces for motion shall be permitted. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in exposing people residing or working in the project area to excessive airport noise levels. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.			
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
27. Noise Effects by the Project  a) Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan, noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?			
b) Generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels?		$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan, Table N-1 ("Land Use Compatibility for Community Noise Exposure"), Project Application Materials

#### Findings of Fact:

### a) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to

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the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause the generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan, noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing construction and operational noise levels. The ordinance amendment states that no propellers, flags, or other noise creating devices, and no architectural embellishments which utilize mechanical or natural forces for motion shall be permitted. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. However, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to require significant levels of construction noise levels and operationally would not be anticipated to generate significant amounts of noise. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in the generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan, noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### b) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause the generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES:			
28. Paleontological Resources  a) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource, site, or unique geologic feature?		$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-8 "Paleontological Sensitivity"

Findings of Fact:

### a) <u>Less Than Significant Impact</u>

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource, site, or unique geologic feature because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

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<u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project:		
a) Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?		
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?		
c) Create a demand for additional housing, particularly housing affordable to households earning 80% or less of the County's median income?		

Source(s): Project Application Materials, GIS database, Riverside County General Plan Housing Element

Findings of Fact:

#### a-c) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

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the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not induce population growth directly or indirectly, displace people from housing, or create a demand for housing because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal. State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing housing needs and population growth. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, the implementation of digital signs would not lead to any population growth, displacement of individuals, or other potential impacts as they relate to population and housing. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not induce population growth directly or indirectly, displace people from housing, or create a demand for housing. Impacts would be less than significant.

<u>Mitigation:</u> No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

**PUBLIC SERVICES** Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities or the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the following public services:

30. Fire Services

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan Safety Element

Findings of Fact:

## **Less Than Significant Impact**

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in environmental impacts associated with fire services because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving fire service needs and performance objectives. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue hazards or impacts to fire services or create any additional fire hazards. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts associated with fire services. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.			
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
31. Sheriff Services		$\boxtimes$	
Source(s): Riverside County General Plan			

## **Less Than Significant Impact**

Findings of Fact:

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed

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digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in environmental impacts associated with sheriff services because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving sheriff service needs and performance objectives. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue impacts on sheriff services. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts associated with sheriff services. Impacts would be less than significant.

32. Sch	ools		$\boxtimes$	
<u>Monitoring</u> :	No monitoring is required.			
Mitigation:	No mitigation is required.			

**Source(s):** School District information, GIS database

Findings of Fact:

#### **Less Than Significant Impact**

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in environmental impacts associated with school facilities or services because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving school facility service needs and performance objectives. Any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue impacts on school services. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts associated with school facilities or services. Impacts would be less than significant.

33. Libraries		$\boxtimes$	
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.			
Mitigation: No mitigation is required.			

**Source(s)**: Riverside County General Plan

Findings of Fact:

#### **Less Than Significant Impact**

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not result in environmental impacts associated with library facilities or services because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with

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CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving library facility service needs and performance objectives. Regardless, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue impacts on library services. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts associated with library services. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

# 34. Health Services

Source(s): Riverside County General Plan

Findings of Fact:

#### **Less Than Significant Impact**

### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations involving health facility service needs and performance objectives. Regardless, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue impacts on health services. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

RECREATION Would the project:		
a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?		
b) Include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?		
c) Be located within a Community Service Area (CSA) or recreation and park district with a Community Parks and Recreation Plan (Quimby fees)?		

**Source(s):** GIS database, Ord. No. 460, Section 10.35 (Regulating the Division of Land – Park and Recreation Fees and Dedications), Ord. No. 659 (Establishing Development Impact Fees), Parks & Open Space Department Review

#### Findings of Fact:

#### a-c) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Direct Physical Change in the Environment:

The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts to recreational facilities or be subject to recreational development fees because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
<ul><li>36. Recreational Trails         <ul><li>a) Include the construction or expansion of a trail system?</li></ul></li><li>Source(s): Riverside County General Plan Figure C-6 Trails and Bikeway</li></ul>	System			
Findings of Fact:				
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Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
TRANSPORTATION Would the project:			<u> </u>	
<ul> <li>37. Transportation         <ul> <li>a) Conflict with a program, plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Ш		
b) Conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?				
c) Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g. farm equipment)?			$\boxtimes$	
d) Cause an effect upon, or a need for new or altered maintenance of roads?			$\boxtimes$	
e) Cause an effect upon circulation during the project's construction?				
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f) Result in inadequate emergency access or access to nearby uses?			$\boxtimes$	

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not conflict with circulation plans or policies and would not be inconsistent with vehicle miles traveled (VMT) policy because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside programs, plans, policies, or ordinances addressing transportation/circulation. The requirements stated in the ordinance amendment provide standards that shall be complied with that would reduce visual distractions/hazards to drivers. The standards require digital display controls, limits hours of operation, regulates design, dimming/brightness, luminance, transitions, materials and physical movement of displays. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Any future digital signs would not be anticipated to generate substantial numbers of traffic or cause any other transportation impacts. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts to transportation/circulation. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### c-d) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause an effect upon circulation during construction or result in inadequate emergency access because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside roadway and access engineering design and maintenance requirements. Implementing projects would require review and approval from the County to verify circulation hazards and roadway maintenance issues are minimized. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause an effect upon circulation during construction or result in inadequate emergency access. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### e-f) Less Than Significant Impact

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause an effect upon circulation during construction or result in inadequate emergency access because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any

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subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with State and County of Riverside roadway and access engineering design and maintenance requirements. Implementing projects would be required to submit construction circulation and emergency access plans that would be reviewed and approved by the County. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause an effect upon circulation during construction or result in inadequate emergency access. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.		
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.		
38. Bike Trails  a) Include the construction or expansion of a bike system or bike lanes?		

**Source(s):** Riverside County General Plan

Findings of Fact:

### a) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Due to the nature of signage projects, it is unlikely and not anticipated that a digital signage project would involve the construction or expansion of a bike system or include bike lanes. However, to

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<u>lonitoring:</u> No monitoring is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.  TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project significance of a Tribal Cultural Resource, defined in Pub site, feature, place, or cultural landscape that is geograph of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural valuations:	ic Resources C nically defined i	Code section in terms of the	21074 as ene size and	either a
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**Source(s)**: County Archaeologist, AB52 Tribal Consultation

significance of the resource to a California Native American

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

tribe.)

The California Environmental Quality Act, effective July 2015, has required that the County address Tribal Cultural Resources. Tribal Cultural Resources are those resources with inherent tribal values that are difficult to identify through the same means as archaeological resources. These resources can be identified and understood through direct consultation with the tribes who attach tribal value to the resource. Tribal cultural resources may include Native American archaeological sites, but they may also include other types of resources such as cultural landscapes or sacred places. The appropriate treatment of tribal cultural resources is determined through consultation with tribes.

In compliance with AB52, notices regarding this project were mailed to all requesting tribes.

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No response was received from the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians, Soboba Band of Mission Indians, Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians, the Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians, Ramona Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians, Pala Band of Mission Indians, Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians, Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Pala Band of Mission Indians, Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians- Kizh Nation, Gabrieleno Tongva- San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians, Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, Twenty- Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians, Cabazon Band of Mission Indians, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, Cahuilla Band of Indians or the Colorado River Indian Tribe.

The Quechan Indian Nation responded in an email dated June 12, 2023, deferring consultation to closer tribes.

The San Manuel Band responded in an email dated July 5, 2023, requesting consultation.

After staffing changes, it was decided that they band was no longer interested in commenting on this project and consultation was concluded July 24, 2023.

No Tribal Cultural Resources were identified by any of the tribes. Therefore, impacts to Tribal Cultural Resources are considered to be less than significant.

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Due to the nature of signage projects, it is unlikely and not anticipated that a digital signage project would involve development that would cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a Tribal Cultural resource because implementing digital sign project would be reviewed to see if AB52 consultation would be required. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a Tribal Cultural Resource. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
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40. Water			$\boxtimes$	
a) Require or result in the relocation or construction			<del></del>	
of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment, or storm				
water drainage systems, whereby the construction or				
relocation would cause significant environmental effects?				
b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve			$\boxtimes$	
the project and reasonably foreseeable future development	Ш	Ш		Ш
during normal, dry, and multiple dry years?				

**Source(s)**: Project Application Materials, Service Provider

Findings of Fact:

### a-b) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Due to the nature of signage projects, it is unlikely and not anticipated that a digital signage project would involve the construction or expansion of water, wastewater or stormwater facilities. Installation of signage would not involve water use, generation of wastewater, or create water runoff that would utilize a storm drain system. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to

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meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not result in construction, relocation or expansion of water, wastewater treatment or storm drainage systems, no water supply availability. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.		
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.		
41. Sewer  a) Require or result in the construction of new wastewater treatment facilities, including septic systems, or expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects?		
b) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that serves or may service the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?		

**Source(s):** Department of Environmental Health Review, Service Provider

Findings of Fact:

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The project is an amendment to an ordinance, and as such, does not directly authorize any physical construction. Any subsequent digital signage application would require adherence to the ordinance, review and approval from the County, and compliance with CEQA. The ordinance amendment defines digital signage and provides regulations for implementation of proposed digital signage projects. The proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts to any sewer facilities because no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Due to the nature of signage projects, it is unlikely that any digital signage project would require or result in the construction or expansion of wastewater treatment facilities. A digital signage project would not generate wastewater that would require treatment and would not impact any

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existing wastewater treatment plant capacity. Thus, there would be no environmental effects caused by a future digital signage project. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts to any sewer facilities. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required.				
42. Solid Waste  a) Generate solid waste in excess of State or Local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals?				
b) Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid wastes including the CIWMP (County Integrated Waste Management Plan)?				
Source(s): Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Waste	Managemer	nt District corres	pondence. S	Service

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Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Waste Management District correspondence, Service

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the

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development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. A digital signage project may generate solid waste during installation of the sign and may involve some scrap electrical wires, plastic wrap, cardboard containers and any other relevant items that may be utilized to unpack and install digital signage. Any disposal of solid waste would be required to comply with federal, State and local regulations regarding solid waste reduction goals and waste management plans. Thus, there would be no environmental effects caused by disposal of solid waste from a future digital signage project. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts to any solid waste facilities. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

#### 43. Utilities

Would the project impact the following facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects?

a) Electricity?		$\boxtimes$	
b) Natural gas?		$\boxtimes$	
c) Communications systems?		$\boxtimes$	
d) Street lighting?		$\boxtimes$	
e) Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?		$\boxtimes$	
f) Other governmental services?			

**Source(s):** Project Application Materials, Utility Service Providers

Findings of Fact:

#### a-f) Less Than Significant Impact

#### Ordinance Amendment - Change of Zone No. CZ2000001

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no development would occur with the processing of an amendment. Impacts would be less than significant.

Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. The environmental analysis for each utility as indicated in Section 43, Utilities a-f) follows:

#### **ELECTRICITY**:

Refer to responses in Section 10, Energy. Construction and operation of a digital sign is anticipated to utilize a negligible amount of electricity. Most tools utilized for installation are either hand-held or are electrified with a charged battery, which utilizes minimal amounts of energy to charge. The sign would most likely be lit utilizing energy efficient LED technology that does not consume a significant amount of energy. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact the energy facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects because of the negligible amount of energy utilized for construction or operation. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### **NATURAL GAS:**

Due to the nature of a digital signage project, it is not anticipated that the construction or operation of a digital sign would require any use of natural gas. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact the natural gas facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects because of the negligible amount of energy utilized for construction or operation. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### **COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS:**

Due to the nature of a digital signage project, it is not anticipated that the construction or operation of a digital sign would require any significant utilization of a communication system. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact a communication system requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### STREET LIGHTING:

Due to the nature of a digital signage project, it is not anticipated that the construction or operation of a digital sign would be required to illuminate a street, parking lot or security lighting. It is unlikely that a digital sign would be used for street lighting. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact street lighting facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC FACILITIES/ROADS:

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Due to the nature of a digital signage project, it is not anticipated that the construction or operation of a digital sign would trigger any required maintenance of public facilities or roads beyond what typically occurs. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact public facilities or roads requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### OTHER GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES:

Due to the nature of a digital signage project, it is not anticipated that the construction or operation of a digital sign would be required to utilize other governmental services. It is not known at this time what other governmental services would be involved with digital signage implementation. Any implementing project is not anticipated to impact other governmental services requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects. Impacts are considered less than significant.

However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not impact utility facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, whereby the construction or relocation would cause significant environmental effects. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation is required.

Monitoring: No monitoring is required.

WILDFIRE If located in or near a State Responsibility Area ("	•		, ,	•
hazard severity zone, or other hazardous fire areas that may	be designa	ted by the Fir	e Chief, w	ould
the project:				
44. Wildfire Impacts			$\square$	
a) Substantially impair an adopted emergency response				
plan or emergency evacuation plan?				
b) Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors,			$\square$	
exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project				Ш
occupants to, pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the				
uncontrolled spread of a wildfire?				
c) Require the installation or maintenance of associated			$\square$	
infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water				Ш
sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate				
fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to				
the environment?				

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d) Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?				
e) Expose people or structures either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires?			$\boxtimes$	

<u>Source(s)</u>: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-11 "Wildfire Susceptibility", GIS database, Project Application Materials

#### Findings of Fact:

### a-e) Less Than Significant Impact

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Potential to Cause a Reasonably Foreseeable Indirect Physical Change in the Environment:

The ordinance amendment would add regulations for digital display signage to Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent digital signage applications would be subject to the development regulations stated in Ordinance No. 348, Article XIX Advertising Regulations. Any subsequent proposed digital signage project would be separately examined in accordance with CEQA, as well as be required to comply with federal, State and County of Riverside policies and regulations governing emergency response, evacuation and risks resulting from the potential for wildfire events (i.e., landslides; exposure of people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires; maintenance of associated infrastructure that may exacerbate risks, etc.). Future development would also be evaluated with relevance to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Severity Zone Maps relative to the potential for wildfire risk. However, to conduct environmental analysis on the unspecified number of potential future signage applications based upon this ordinance amendment throughout the County would be entirely speculative and would not lead to meaningful analysis or informed decision-making. Potential future digital signage applications would be distinct projects standing on their own, with their own independent utility, which would require their own County review, approval and CEQA compliance. Regardless, any future digital signs would not be anticipated to create any undue hazards or impacts to fire services or create any additional fire hazards. Thus, the proposed ordinance amendment would not cause environmental impacts or hazards caused by wildfires. Impacts would be less than significant.

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE Does the Pro	piect:			
45. Have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self- sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of				
California history or prehistory?				

**Source(s):** Staff Review, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

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Findings of Fact:

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<b>47.</b> Have environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				

**Source(s):** Staff Review, Project Application Materials

Findings of Fact:

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#### VI. EARLIER ANALYSES

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Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration as per California Code of Regulations, Section 15063 (c) (3) (D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:

Earlier Analyses Used, if any: N/A

Location Where Earlier Analyses, if used, are available for review:

Location: County of Riverside Planning Department

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