RESOLUTION NO. 09/2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CORTE MADERA REJOINING AND RENEWING CORTE MADERA'S MEMBERSHIP TO THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2012, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 3703 withdrawing membership from the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). The Resolution was adopted based on community opposition to regional planning efforts which included increases to local housing targets; and

WHEREAS, ABAG is a regional planning agency and provides planning services and funding to local governments with a mission to strengthen cooperation and collaboration across local governments; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has been a leader of collaborative regional land use planning and, in partnership with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is charged with the updating and implementation of Plan Bay Area, including the development of land use scenarios and an implementation action plan; and

WHEREAS, although the Town has not been a member of ABAG since July 2013, the Town has continued to receive benefits from ABAG in the form of planning assistance and grants; and

WHEREAS, ABAG works closely with local jurisdictions, Congestion Management Agencies, and MTC, and provides planning assistance, research support, and institutional coordination for the implementation of Priority Development Area, enhancement of open space and regional trails, housing production, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, ABAG functions directly support multiple work plan items within the Town Staff 2024 Work Plan, accepted on February 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this membership renewal is not defined as a project under CEQA (Section 15378 CEQA Guidelines); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Town of Corte Madera recognizes the benefits of the Association of Bay Area Governments and does hereby renew the Town's membership to the Association of Bay Area Governments and authorizes staff to pay the required annual membership fee.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Town of Corte Madera of Marin County at a regular meeting thereof held on the 5th day of March 2024, with the following vote to wit:

AYES:

Councilmembers: E. Beckman, F. Casissa, C. Lee, P. Ravasio, R. Thomas

NOES:

Councilmembers: - None -

ABSENT:

Councilmembers: - None -

APPROVED:

Eli H. Beekman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lorena Barrera, Town Clerk