

PLANNING COMMISSION

ACTION MINUTES

March 16, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

The Planning Commission of the City of Atwater met in Regular Session this date at 6:04 PM in the City Council Chambers located at the Atwater Civic Center, 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California; Chairperson Nelson presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Sanders

INVOCATION: None.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Commissioners: Kadach, Sanders, Nelson,

Commissioner Daugherty joined late.

Absent:

Commissioners: Borgwardt

Staff Present:

Public Works/Community Development Director/Planning

Commission Secretary Thompson, Planning Commission Recording Secretary Dyson, Chief Salvador, Chief Building

Official Pereida

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED OR AMENDED:

<u>MOTION:</u> Commissioner Kadach moved to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanders and the vote was: ayes: Sanders, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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MOTION: Commissioner Sanders moved to approve the minutes as posted. The

motion was seconded by Commissioner Kadach, and the vote was: ayes: Sanders, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Making an environmental finding that the project is categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and adopting a resolution amending Resolution No. PC 0101-19 approving Site Plan No. 722-19; located at 273 E. Bellevue Road (APN 156-060-023) and adopting a resolution approving a site plan; located at 295 E Bellevue Road, Atwater (APN 156-060-012)

Public Works/Community Development Director Thompson and Chief Building Official Pereida provided an overview of the project and background of the location.

Commissioner Kadach inquired about the parking and the elimination of the driveway.

Commissioner Sanders asked for clarification on which driveway would be eliminated.

Chairperson Nelson inquired about Chief Salvador's information on traffic congestion.

Chief Salvador provided an overview of the current issues of the driveways and how the elimination would help the traffic issues in the area.

Chairperson Nelson opened the public hearing.

The Applicant, Mo Jawad, provided more information on the project.

No one else came forward to comment, and Chairperson Nelson closed the public hearing.

<u>Motion</u>: Commissioner Sanders moved to make the finding that the projects are categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline Section 15303, Class 3, "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures." The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kadach, and the vote was: ayes: Daugherty, Sanders, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

<u>Motion</u>: Commissioner Daugherty moved to adopt Resolution No. PC 201-22 amending Resolution No. PC 0101-19. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanders, and the vote was: ayes: Kadach, Sanders, Daugherty, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

<u>MOTION</u>: Commissioner Sanders moved to adopt Resolution No. PC 0200-22 approving Site Plan No. 22-05-0100. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kadach, and the vote was: ayes: Sanders, Daugherty, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

Consider an appeal to the Planning Commission as the Design Review Committee for a business sign; located at 230 Commerce Avenue, Atwater (APN: 056-390-006)

Public Works/Community Development Director Thompson provided an overview of the item.

Chairperson Nelson opened the public hearing.

The appellate provided an overview of the branding and the request of the appeal.

Commissioner Kadach inquired on the location of the project and why the sign was being appealed.

City Attorney Splendorio explained the state legislation regarding Cannabis signs and alternatives.

Commissioner Sanders inquired about the legislation pertaining to the signs.

No one else came forward to comment, and Chairperson closed the public hearing.

<u>MOTION</u>: Commissioner Kadach moved to approve the appeal and direct staff to work with applicant on their sign package. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Daugherty, and the vote was: ayes: Daugherty, Sanders, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Notice to the public was read.

COMMISSIONER MATTERS:

Approving and ratifying the Letter to the California State Transportation Agency regarding the 2022 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Application for the SJRRC/SJJPA Project.

<u>MOTION</u>: Commissioner Daugherty moved to approve and ratify the letter to the California State Transportation Agency. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kadach, and the vote was: ayes: Daugherty, Sanders, Kadach, Nelson; noes: none; absent: Borgwardt. The motion passed.

Planning Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Daugherty, Kadach, and Sanders did not have any comments.

Chairperson Nelson announced he would not be attending next month's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 PM.

GREG THOMPSON, Planning Commission

Secretary

By: Christina Dyson Recording Secretary