



CITY OF ATWATER

PLANNING COMMISSION

ACTION MINUTES

October 18, 2023

REGULAR SESSION: (Council Chambers)

The Planning Commission of the City of Atwater met in Regular Session this date at 6:06 PM in the City Council Chambers located at the Atwater Civic Center, 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California; Chairperson Daugherty presiding.

INVOCATION:

Invocation by Chairperson Daugherty

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Planning Commission Member Sanchez-Garcia.

ROLL CALL:

Present: *Planning Commission Members Borgwardt, Sanchez-Garcia, Sanders, Chairperson Daugherty*

Absent: *Planning Commission Member Kadach*

Staff Present: *Battalion Chief Lopes, Chief Salvador, Deputy City Manager / Community Development Director Thompson, Recording Secretary Rashad .*

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED OR AS AMENDED:

MOTION: *Planning Commission Member Sanders moved to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Borgwardt and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Borgwardt, Sanchez-Garcia, Sanders, Daugherty ; Noes: None; Absent: Planning Commission Member Kadach. The motion passed.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a) September 20, 2023 – Regular Meeting

MOTION: *Planning Commission Member Sanchez-Garcia moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Borgwardt and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Borgwardt, Sanders, Sanchez-Garcia, Daugherty; Noes: None; Absent: Planning Commission Member Kadach. The motion passed.*

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Request from Valley Christian Church for a Harvest Festival on October 31, 2023, from 5:30pm-9:00pm with road closures.

Staff's Recommendation: Approval of request from Valley Christian Church for a Harvest Festival on October 31, 2023, from 5:30pm-9:00pm with road closures. Please see the attached map.

MOTION: *Planning Commission Member Sanders moved to approve the request from the Valley Christian Church for a Harvest Festival on October 31, 2023, from 5:30pm-9:00pm with temporary road closures. The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Sanchez-Garcia and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Borgwardt, Sanders, Sanchez-Garcia, Daugherty; Noes: None; Absent: Planning Commission Member Kadach. The motion passed.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Actions pertaining to the summary vacation of a portion of land on the northwest corner of Elm Avenue and Winton Way:

- a. Determine that the proposed vacation is consistent with the City's General Plan pursuant to Government Code Section 65402;
- b. Adopt findings that the project is categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines section 15061 (b)(3), "Common Sense Exemption";

- c. Recommend that the City Council approve the summary vacation of access right restrictions on a portion of the northwest corner of Elm Avenue and Winton Way

Deputy City Manager / Community Development Director Thompson provided background on this project.

Applicant Adam Reed spoke on the project.

Chairperson Daugherty opened the public hearing.

No one else came forward to speak.

Chairperson Daugherty closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Planning Commission Member Borgwardt moved to Adopt Resolution No. PC 0237-23 finding that the project is categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), "Common Sense Exemption"; and recommend that the City Council order the summary vacation of a portion of land on the northwest corner of Elm Avenue and Winton Way. The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Sanchez-Garcia and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Sanchez-Garcia, Borgwardt, Sanders, Daugherty; Noes: None; Absent: Planning Commission Member Kadach. The motion passed.

Public hearing to consider adopting a Resolution making an environmental finding that the project is exempt under California Environmental Quality ACT (CEQA) guideline section 15303: Class 3 "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures"; and to recommend City Council approve Zone Change No. 23-14-0100 and Variance No. 23-14-0400 for a parcel located at 1789 Elm Street in Atwater (APN: 002-181-041).

(Applicant: Shan Singh)

Deputy City Manager / Community Development Director Thompson provided background on this project.

Applicant Shan Singh spoke on the project.

Chairperson Daugherty opened the public hearing.

No one else came forward to speak.

Chairperson Daugherty closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Planning Commission Member Sanders moved to Adopt Resolution No. PC 0233-23 making an environmental finding that the project is exempt under California Environmental Quality ACT (CEQA) guideline section 15303: Class 3

"New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures"; and to recommend City Council approve Zone Change No. 23-14-0100 and Variance No. 23-14-0400 for a parcel located at 1789 Elm Street in Atwater (APN: 002-181-041). The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Borgwardt and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Sanchez-Garcia, Borgwardt, Sanders, Daugherty; Noes: None; Absent: Planning Commission Member Kadach. The motion passed.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF:

Deputy City Manager / Community Development Director Updates.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Chairperson Daugherty opened the Public Comment.

Notice to the public was read.

Juan Flores spoke about RSO PC No. 219-23 regarding the color of his mobile food truck.

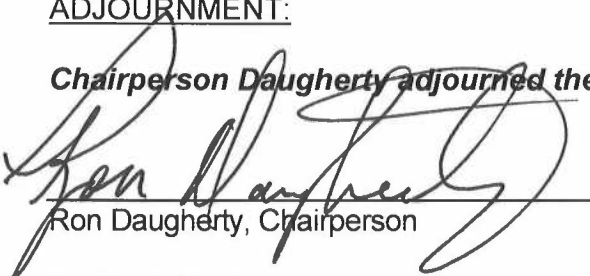
Chairperson Daugherty closed the public comment.

COMMISSIONER MATTERS:

Chairperson Daugherty mentioned the November General Plan Technical Advisory Committee Meeting and how it would be good for others to attend.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Daugherty adjourned the meeting at 6:38 PM.


Ron Daugherty, Chairperson

By: Kayla Rashad
Recording Secretary