



# CITY OF ATWATER

## PLANNING COMMISSION

### ACTION MINUTES

**December 18, 2024**

REGULAR SESSION: (Council Chambers)

*The Planning Commission of the City of Atwater met in Regular Session this date at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers located at the Atwater Civic Center, 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California;*

INVOCATION:

*Invocation by Chaplain Mead*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Planning Commission Member Kadach*

ROLL CALL:

**Present:** *Planning Commission Members Kadach, Mokha, Sanchez-Garcia, Sanders, and Chair Borgwardt*

**Absent:** *None*

**Staff Present:** *Deputy City Manager Thompson, Interpreter Stephanie Ruiz, 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. The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Kadach and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Sanders, Sanchez-Garcia, Kadach, Mokha and Borgwardt; Noes: None; Absent: None. The motion passed.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a) November 20, 2024 – Regular Meeting

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

**None.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing to make a finding that the proposed memorial structure for Veterans Memorial Park in Atwater, CA (APN: 005-070-001), conforms with the City's policies, codes, and guidelines for government structures pursuant to the Atwater Municipal Code 17.12.060.

(Applicant: Tom Legg)

***Deputy City Manager Thompson informed the Commission that this item was being withdrawn.***

Public Hearing to consider adopting a resolution approving Conditional Use Permit No. 24-29-0100 and Site Plan No. 24-29-0200 for an Auto Repair and Welding Shop, located at 1791 Sycamore Ave, Atwater (APN: 001-146-010).

(Applicant: Francisco Lobo Bojorges)

***Deputy City Manager Thompson provided a presentation on this project.***

***Chair Borgwardt opened the public hearing.***

***The Applicant Francisco Lobo Bojorges spoke on behalf of his project.***

***No one else came forward to speak.***

***Chair Borgwardt closed the public hearing.***

**MOTION: Planning Commission Member Sanders moved to make a finding that the project is categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guideline section 15301, "Existing Facilities", and adopt Resolution No. 0260-24 approving Conditional Use Permit No. 24-29-0100 and Site Plan No. 24-29-0200 for an Auto Repair and Welding Shop located at 1791 Sycamore Ave, Atwater (APN: 001-146-010). The motion was seconded by Planning Commission Member Kadach and the vote was: Ayes: Planning Commission Members Mokha, Sanders, Sanchez-Garcia, Kadach, and Borgwardt; Noes: None; Absent: None. The motion passed.**

Public Hearing to consider adopting a resolution making a finding that the proposed business located at 1843 & 1847 Bellevue Road in Atwater, Ca (APN: 150-160-023), would provide public convenience or necessity to the residents in the immediate area for a Type 48 ABC Liquor License.

(Applicant: Cristofer Tristan)

***Deputy City Manager Thompson informed the Commission that this item was being withdrawn.***

**REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF:**

Deputy City Manager / Community Development Director Updates.

***Deputy City Manager Thompson informed the Commission about the projects that occurred in 2024.***

***Deputy City Manager Thompson provided a farewell to Planning Commissioner Sanders.***

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

***Chair Borgwardt opened the public comment.***

***Notice to the public was read.***

***No one came forward to speak.***

***Chair Borgwardt closed the public comment.***

**COMMISSIONER MATTERS:**

***Planning Commission Member Sanders expressed her gratitude for being a Planning Commissioner.***

**Planning Commission Members Mokha, Sanchez-Garcia, Kadach and Borgwardt  
bade Planning Commission Member Sanders a farewell.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

***Chair Borgwardt adjourned the meeting at 6:25 PM.***

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D S B G".

Don Borgwardt, Chair

By: Kayla Rashad  
Recording Secretary