

# PLANNING COMMISSION

## ACTION AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON:

Chris Gomez



VICE CHAIRPERSON:

Marvin Hansen

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mary Beatie, Marvin Hansen, Sarrah Peariso, Adam Peck, Chris Gomez**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020**

**VISALIA CONVENTION CENTER**

**LOCATED AT 303 E. ACEQUIA AVE. VISALIA, CA**

**REGULAR MEETING TIME: 7:00 PM**

**Citizens may appear at the Planning Commission meeting in person and will be asked to maintain appropriate, physical distancing from others and wear a mask or face shield pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders and public health guidance during the COVID-19 situation.**

7:00 To 7:00

1. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -

7:00 To 7:01

2. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters that are not on the agenda but are within the jurisdiction of the Visalia Planning Commission. You may provide comments to the Planning Commission at this time, but the Planning Commission may only legally discuss those items already on tonight's agenda. The Commission requests that a five (5) minute time limit be observed for Citizen Comments. You will be notified when your five minutes have expired.

No one spoke

7:01 To 7:01  
Late Correspondence for Item  
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3. CHANGES OR COMMENTS TO THE AGENDA –

7:01 To 7:02

4. CONSENT CALENDAR - All items under the consent calendar are to be considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. For any discussion of an item on the consent calendar, it will be removed at the request of the Commission and made a part of the regular agenda.

No one spoke

The consent Calendar was  
approved as recommended.  
(Hansen, Beatie) 5-0

- Time Extension for Tentative Parcel Map No. 2003-10
- Time Extension for Visalia Palms Tentative Subdivision Map No. 5524 and Conditional Use Permit No. 2006-42

7:02 To 7:05

5. PUBLIC HEARING – – Brandon Smith, Senior Planner

No one spoke

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended.  
(Hansen, Beatie) 5-0

Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-31, a request by Plaza FPU LLC to allow an amendment to Conditional Use Permit No. 2007-39, which adopted a master-planned development on 29 acres in the Business Research Park (BRP) zone, to replace an office pad with a parking lot on a 1.65 acre site. The project site is located at the southeast corner of Hurley Avenue and Neeley Street (APN: 081-160-022).

7:05 To 7:15

Open: 7:10  
Close: 7:11

Who spoke:  
1.Fred Figueroa

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended.  
(Hansen, Peck) 5-0

6. PUBLIC HEARING – Josh Dan, Associate Planner  
Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-26: A request by Lake Bottom Distillery to operate a craft distillery as an ancillary use to the permitted restaurant use by adding a 60 gallon still in the D-MU (Downtown Mixed-Use) zone. The project is located at 105 E. Main Street (APN: 094-298-001). The project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Environmental Document No. 2020-68.

7:15 To 7:23

Open: 7:22  
Close: 7:22

No one spoke

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended  
(Peck, Peariso) 5-0

7. PUBLIC HEARING – Amy Weiser, Principal Planner  
Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-24: A request by Advanced Career Institute to construct an 11,100 square foot facility for a trade school in the 'I' (Industrial) zone. The project site is located at 1243 N. Clancy Street, on the west side of Clancy Street south of W. Goshen Avenue (APN: 081-180-004). The project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15332, Environmental Document No. 2020-58.

7:23 To 7:50

Open: 7:41  
Close: 7:48

Who spoke:  
1.Georgio Russo  
2.Jim Robinson

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended  
per revised resolution. (Beatie,  
Hansen) 5-0

8. PUBLIC HEARING – Josh Dan, Associate Planner  
Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-21: A request by Ginder Development to develop a 219-unit gated multi-family residential development on 15.1 acres in the R-M-2 (Multi-Family Residential, 3,000 sq. ft. minimum site area) zone. The project site is located on the northeast and southeast corners of North Akers Street and West Sedona Avenue (APNs: 077-060-031 & 077-060-033). An Initial Study was prepared for this project, consistent with CEQA, which disclosed that environmental impacts are determined to be not significant and that Negative Declaration No. 2020-47 should be adopted.

7:50 To 8:06

Open: 8:01  
Close: 8:05

Who spoke:  
1.Derek Poeschel

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended  
(Peck, Peariso)

9. PUBLIC HEARING – Paul Bernal, City Planner  
Variance No. 2020-11: A request by Lennar Homes of California to allow a variance to the minimum front and/or rear yard setbacks associated with six lots in the 239-lot River Island Ranch subdivision located in the R-1-5 (Single-Family Residential, 5,000 square foot minimum lot size) zone. The River Island Ranch subdivision is located on the east side of North Dinuba Boulevard, approximately 600 feet north of Shannon Parkway and south of the St. John's River. The Variance request pertains to Lots 11, 12, 45, 107, 134 and 135 of the subdivision. The project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15305, Environmental Document No. 2020-66.

8:06 To 8:37

Open: 8:35  
Close: 8:35

No one spoke

The Planning Commission  
approved as recommended  
(Peariso, Peck) 5-0

10. PUBLIC HEARING – Paul Bernal, City Planner  
Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 2020-01: A request by the City of Visalia to amend Zoning Ordinance Chapter 17.64 Mobile Food Vending Ordinance by expanding the Mobile Food Vending Overlay District Map, and establishing Mobile Food Vending Program Registration and Performance Standards to the downtown area which is defined as Center Avenue to the north, Mineral King Avenue to the south, Santa Fe Street to the east and Stevenson Street to the west. The project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15311, Environmental Document No. 2020-67.

8:37 To 8:38

Motion to Adjourn (Peck,  
Hansen) 5-0

11. CITY PLANNER/PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION-
  - a. Next Planning Commission Meeting is Monday, January 11, 2021. No meeting on December 28, 2020.
  - b. The Agriculture Mitigation Program and Feasibility Study Work

Session is tentatively set for the January 11, 2020, Planning Commission meeting with Work Session scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

The Planning Commission meeting may end no later than 11:00 P.M. Any unfinished business may be continued to a future date and time to be determined by the Commission at this meeting. The Planning Commission routinely visits the project sites listed on the agenda.

For Hearing Impaired – Call (559) 713-4900 (TTY) 48-hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time to request signing services.

Any written materials relating to an item on this agenda submitted to the Planning Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Office, 315 E. Acequia Visalia, CA 93291, during normal business hours.

**APPEAL PROCEDURE**

**THE LAST DAY TO FILE AN APPEAL IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2020 BEFORE 5 PM**

According to the City of Visalia Zoning Ordinance Section 17.02.145 and Subdivision Ordinance Section 16.04.040, an appeal to the City Council may be submitted within ten days following the date of a decision by the Planning Commission. An appeal form with applicable fees shall be filed with the City Clerk at 220 N. Santa Fe, Visalia, CA 93292. The appeal shall specify errors or abuses of discretion by the Planning Commission, or decisions not supported by the evidence in the record. The appeal form can be found on the city's website [www.visalia.city](http://www.visalia.city) or from the City Clerk.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021**