

# **City of Fresno**

*City Hall Council Chambers  
2600 Fresno Street*



## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Wednesday, November 1, 2023**

**6:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting**

**In Person and/or Electronic  
City Hall Council Chambers**

## **Planning Commission**

***Chairperson – Peter Vang***

***Vice Chair – Brad Hardie***

***Commissioner – David Criner***

***Commissioner – Haley M Wagner***

***Commissioner – Kathy Bray***

***Commissioner – Monica Diaz***

***Commissioner – Jacqueline Lyday***

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LOCATED AT CITY HALL, 2600 FRESNO STREET, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93721.**

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**I. ROLL CALL**

*Chair Vang called meeting to order at 6:00pm*

*Staff also present were: Clark, Trejo, Siegrist, Monroe, Perez, Asadoorian, Pagoulatos, Lang, St. Clair, Kolluri, Dhaliwal, Pavic*

**Present** 6 - Chairperson Peter Vang, Vice Chair Brad Hardie, Commissioner Haley M. Wagner, Commissioner Kathy Bray, Commissioner Monica Diaz, and Commissioner Jacqueline G. Lyday

**Absent** 1 - Commissioner David Criner

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*6:00pm*

**III. PROCEDURES - PROCEDIMIENTOS - KEV SAB LAJ**

*Chair Vang read procedures aloud at 6:00pm*

**IV. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*6:02pm*

*Trejo had no changes to the agenda*

**On motion of Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Vice Chair Hardie, the AGENDA was APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Vang, Vice Chair Hardie, Commissioner Wagner, Commissioner Bray, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Lyday

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Criner

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*N/A*

**VI. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS**

*6:03pm*

*No reports*

**VII. CONTINUED MATTERS**

*N/A*

**VIII. NEW MATTERS**

**VIII-A** [ID 23-1558](#) Consideration of Text Amendment Application No. P23-01018 and related Environmental Finding for Environmental Assessment No. P23-01018, amending Section 15-2009 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to Zone Districts where razor wire fencing is permitted.

1. **RECOMMEND ADOPTION** (to the City Council), of a finding set forth in Environmental Assessment No. P23-01018, that Text Amendment Application No. P23-01018 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15303/Class 3.
2. **RECOMMEND ADOPTION** (to the City Council), of Text Amendment Application No. P23-01018, to amend Section 15-2009 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to the Zone Districts where razor wire fencing is permitted.

6:03pm

*Asadoorian made a presentation covering the purpose of the Text Amendment, background on fencing, proposed changes (focusing on when the fencing would be allowed), Fresno Municipal Code Section 15-2009 Security Fencing as it stands today, the outreach her team has done at each of the Council District Project Review Committees, map of allowable areas, and Staff's recommendations.*

*No Public Comment was given.*

*No questions by the Commission.*

**On motion of Commissioner Wagner, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Vang, Vice Chair Hardie, Commissioner Wagner, Commissioner Bray, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Lyday

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Criner

**VIII-B** [ID 23-1590](#) Consideration of Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6388/UGM and the related Environmental Assessment No. T-6388 for property located on the north side of the West Ashlan Avenue alignment between North Grantland

Avenue and the North Garfield Avenue alignment (Council District 1).

1. **ADOPT** Environmental Assessment No. T-6388, dated October 18, 2023, an Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) State Clearinghouse (SCH) No. 2020039061 for the proposed project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
  
2. **APPROVE** Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6388/UGM proposing to subdivide the approximate 11.79-acre property into a 66-lot single-family residential development subject to compliance with the Conditions of Approval dated November 1, 2023, and the related environmental assessment.

6:14pm

*Lang made a presentation covering the location, background of Parc West Development, particularly the EIR, density & use within tract map, and staff's recommendations.*

*Drew Phelps (Applicant) was available for comments or questions. He thanked Staff and talked about it being the final map within the Development and excitement for additional open space added. The condition/concern he wanted to bring up for the record was Traffic's #2 condition, explaining that it was not an appealable complaint / discrepancy, but that they wanted it on record that they were opposed to it. They still asked that the item be approved.*

*No Public Comment was given.*

*No questions by the Commission.*

**On motion of Commissioner Wagner, seconded by Commissioner Bray, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Vang, Vice Chair Hardie, Commissioner Wagner, Commissioner Bray, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Lyday

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Criner

**IX. REPORT BY SECRETARY**

6:21pm

*Clark stated she had no report*

**X. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

N/A

**XI. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

6:21pm

*None*

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Vang adjourned the meeting at 6:22pm*