



Miguel Arias Councilmember, District Three

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Jennifer Clark, Director Planning and Development Department 2600 Fresno Street, Room 3065 Fresno, CA 93721

Subject: Appeal of Development Permit Application No. P21-02699

Director Clark:

In accordance with Sec. 15-5017 of the Municipal Code, I hereby appeal the Planning Commission's decision to approve Development Permit Application No. P21-02699, certification of the EIR (SCH No. 2022050365), and all of the related actions authorizing the construction of four office/warehouse buildings located on ±901,438 square feet of the property at the northeast intersection of North Marks and West Nielsen Avenues.

I have been requested to appeal the proposed project by District 3 residents. Residents have voiced their concerns about the increase in pollution that the proposed projects' heavy industrial uses and increase in traffic will bring to the area. Although the proposed project is permitted in the Heavy Industrial zone district "by right" with an approved Development Permit, there are concerns about unmitigated environmental impacts. These include concerns regarding health risks, air quality, transportation, noise pollution, and greenhouse gas emissions. The approval of the Development Permit Application No. P21-02699 will perpetuate heavy industrial development that could intensify the cumulative pollution in the overburdened, disadvantaged West Fresno community.

Respectfully,

Miguel Arias Councilmember

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