

FRESNO MUNICIPAL CODE FINDINGS

VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 6388 FINDINGS

Section 15-3309 of the Fresno Municipal Code provides that the Review Authority (Planning Commission) for a tentative tract map may approve or conditionally approve a tentative tract map if it makes all of the following findings:

Findings per Fresno Municipal Code Section 15-3309

A. **Consistency.** The proposed subdivision, together with the provisions for its design and improvement, is consistent with the General Plan, any applicable operative plan, adopted policies or guidelines, and the Municipal Code; and,

Finding A:

The subject property is located within the Fresno General Plan and the West Area Community Plan of which both plans designate the subject property for Medium Density Residential (5-12 dwelling units per acre) planned land uses. Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6388/UGM proposes a 66-lot single-family residential subdivision on ±11.79 acres of property at a density of 5.6 dwelling units per acre (du/ac).

The project is consistent with the following Fresno General Plan goals, objectives, and policies related to residential land use and the urban form:

Goals

- Goal 1: Increase opportunity, economic development, business, and job creation.
- Goal 7: Provide for a diversity of districts, neighborhoods, housing types (including affordable housing), residential densities, job opportunities, recreation, open space, and educational venues that appeal to a broad range of people throughout the City.
- Goal 8: Develop Complete Neighborhoods and districts with an efficient and diverse mix of residential densities, building types, and affordability which are designed to be healthy, attractive, and centered by schools, parks, and public and commercial services to provide a sense of place and that provide as many services as possible within walking distance.
- Goal 15: Improve Fresno's visual image and enhance its form and function through urban design strategies and effective maintenance.

These goals contribute to the establishment of a comprehensive citywide land use planning strategy to meet economic development objectives, achieve efficient and equitable use of resources and infrastructure, and create an attractive living environment in accordance with Objective LU-1 of the Fresno General Plan.

Objectives

- Objective UF-1: Emphasizes the opportunity for a diversity of districts, neighborhoods, and housing types.
- Objective LU-5: Calls for a diverse housing stock that will support balanced

urban growth, and make efficient use of resources and public facilities.

Policies

- Policy UF-1-d: Emphasizes provisions for a diversity and variation of building types, densities, and scale of development in order to reinforce the identity of individual neighborhoods, foster a variety of market-based options for living and working to suit a large range of income levels, and further affordable housing opportunities throughout the City.
- Policy UF-1-e: Promotes and protects unique neighborhoods and mixed-use areas throughout Fresno that respect and support various ethnic, cultural, and historic enclaves; provide a range of housing options, including furthering affordable housing opportunities; and, convey a unique character and lifestyle attractive to Fresnans.
- Policy LU-5-c: Promotes medium density residential uses to maximize the efficient use of residential property through a wide range of densities.

Therefore, it is staff's opinion that the proposed project is consistent with respective general and community plan objectives and policies and will not conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of the City of Fresno.

B. **Passive and Natural Heating and Cooling.** The proposed subdivision provides, to the extent feasible, for future passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities in the subdivision; and,

Finding B:

The proposed subdivision has been designed with lots oriented facing north-south exposures, and takes advantage of passive heating and cooling opportunities to the extent feasible by the subdivision design.

C. Availability of Water. Water will be available and sufficient to serve a proposed subdivision with more than 500 dwelling units in accordance with the Subdivision Map Act (Section 66473.7); and,

Finding C:

The project consists of a conventional single family residential development consisting of a 66-lot subdivision, and a Water Assessment was prepared for the associated EIR, which determined that the City of Fresno water system has sufficient capacity to supply the projected demands. Water facilities are available to provide service to the site subject to the conditions listed in the Public Utilities comments dated December 16, 2022.

D. Infrastructure Capacity. There exists sufficient infrastructure capacity for water, runoff, storm water, wastewater, and solid waste systems to serve the proposed subdivision; and,

Finding D:

Pursuant to the findings and representations made within the Public Services section included within the Staff Report to the Planning Commission dated November 1, 2023, the Department of Public Utilities memorandum dated December 16, 2022, the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District memorandum dated December 23, 2022, and subject to compliance with the attached conditions of approval, it may be determined that sufficient infrastructure capacity for water, runoff, storm water, waste water, and solid waste systems exist or will be available to serve the proposed project.

E. Compliance with Floodplain Regulations. The proposed subdivision is compliant with the City of Fresno Floodplain Management Ordinance and the State of California Code of Regulations Title 23, as well as any other applicable State or federal laws.

Finding E:

The proposed project site is not located within a designated floodplain or floodway.