

FRESNO MUNICIPAL CODE FINDINGS TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 6411

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

- 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.
- 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.

These goals contribute to the establishment of a comprehensive city-wide 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.

Policy UF-1-a supports development projects that provide Fresno with a diversity of urban and suburban neighborhood opportunities.

Policy UF-1-d further 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.

Objective LU-5 of the General Plan calls for a diverse housing stock that will support balanced urban growth and make efficient use of resources and public facilities.

Policy LU-5-c promotes medium density residential uses to maximize efficient use of residential property through a wide range of densities.

Policy LU-5-h supports housing that offers residents a range of amenities, including public and private open space, landscaping, and recreation facilities with direct access to commercial services, public transit, and community gathering spaces.

The defining characteristic of a Complete Neighborhood is a neighborhood that is mostly self-sufficient, walkable, and interconnected. It provides residents with most

all they need on a daily basis nearby. In other words, a Complete Neighborhood anticipates and plans in advance all amenities needed in a neighborhood to ensure quality and lasting property values before the residential units are built instead of trying to piecemeal those amenities after the fact. This convenient and healthy lifestyle is the benefit of a Complete Neighborhood. While total self-sufficiency or even completeness is unlikely to be accomplished in each neighborhood, some of the defining characteristics of a Complete Neighborhood include parks and public schools within or near the neighborhood, public plaza/civic space, access to public transit, neighborhood-serving retail, and a range of employment opportunities.

An approximate 5,065 sq. ft. open space area is proposed at the central area of the proposed subdivision providing recreational opportunities for the residents of the subdivision.

Approximately one-quarter mile away east of the subject property is a high-quality transit bus route (Bus Route 38) which is a bus route that provides 15-minute frequency service during peak-hour intervals at bus stops along the route. This route travels through the center of Downtown as well as Cedar and Nees Avenues which provide plenty of shopping and recreational opportunities.

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:

As proposed, to the extent feasible, the proposed subdivision will provide for future passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities by maximizing easterly-westerly facing lots. The subdivision proposes a centrally-located pocket park that will provide for shade trees and other landscaping. Street tree requirements in the front of properties are also conditioned for the subdivision.

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 58-lot residential subdivision/development, therefore, a water supply assessment is not required. Water facilities are available to provide service to the site subject to the conditions listed in the Department of Public Utilities comments dated April 3, 2024.

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:

The project was reviewed by appropriate partner agencies and it was determined that there is sufficient infrastructure capacity for water, runoff, storm water, wastewater, and solid waste systems to serve the proposed subdivision, subject to compliance with conditions of approval dated April 3, 2024.

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.

Based upon the plans and information submitted by the applicant and the recommended conditions of project approval, staff has determined that all of the findings above can be made.