

RESOLUTION NO. 979 (23)

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 17 (ZONING) OF THE LOMPOC MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR MULTI-FAMILY USES (TA 23-01)

WHEREAS, Zoning Code Text Amendment TA 23-01 (“Amendment”) includes amendments related to Certificates of Appropriateness and permit requirements for multi-family uses; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment was considered by the Planning Commission at a duly-noticed public meeting on March 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting on March 8, 2023, public comment was received, and City staff was present and answered Planning Commissioners’ questions and addressed their concerns; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) this action is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: With regard to the proposed zoning code text amendments relating to permit requirements for residential uses in multi-family zones, the Planning Commission finds that:

- A. The amendments are necessary for internal consistency between Lompoc Municipal Code Chapters 17.208 and 17.512.
- B. The amendments promote streamlining housing permit requirements (for housing projects that have 6 or fewer units) as recommended by the Office of Planning and Research and the State Department of Housing and Community Development.

SECTION 2: With regard to the proposed zoning text amendments relating to requirements for Certificates of Appropriateness, the Planning Commission finds that:

- A. The amendments will provide more flexibility in the review of historic resources while still requiring appropriate review for the protection of heritage and historic resources in the City of Lompoc.
- B. The amendments will provide property owners with the opportunity to request exceptions to their property when appropriate findings are made.

- C. The code revisions are consistent with the objectives, goals and measures of the Lompoc 2030 General Plan.

SECTION 3: The proposed Amendments are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

SECTION 4: The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council approve Zoning Code Text Amendments (TA 23-01) related to permit requirements for allowed multi-family uses in residential and mixed use zones and requirements pertaining to Certificates of Appropriateness as shown on the attached exhibit. The Commission finds that these proposed changes:

- A. Are consistent with the General Plan and all applicable Specific Plans;
- B. Serve the public necessity, convenience, and general welfare;
- C. Are in compliance with the provisions of CEQA; and
- D. Are internally consistent with other applicable provisions of the Lompoc Municipal Code, Title 17.

The foregoing Resolution, on motion by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Caudillo, was adopted at the Planning Commission meeting of March 8, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cioni, Caudillo, Gonzales

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Badertscher, Bridge



Brian Halvorson, Secretary



Federico Cioni, Chair

Attachment:

Exhibit A – Zoning Code Text Amendments