

**CITY OF TULARE PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Tulare Public Library—Council Chambers**  
**491 North M Street**

**August 24, 2020**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Miller, Cox, Rocha, Olivares, Miguel

**TEENS ON BOARD PRESENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Traci Myers, Community & Economic  
Development Director  
Mario Anaya, Principal Planner  
Steven Sopp, Senior Planner  
Lucie Brown, Commission Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Miguel called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Rocha led us in the flag salute.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

None.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Rocha thanked staff for addressing the overgrown bushes causing visibility issues at the intersection of Blackstone Street and Bardsley Avenue. She noted that the visibility has greatly improved.

Commissioner Miller commended City Council and the Citizens of Tulare on addressing the issues of the homeless at the last City Council meeting. She noted that the Mayor did a great job in allowing all the citizens to speak and voice their concerns and she is very proud of everyone.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**(1) Minutes of the August 10, 2020 Regular Planning Commission Meeting**

It was motioned by Commissioner Rocha and seconded by Commissioner Olivares to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**(1) Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-06:**

Steven Sopp, Senior Planner, reviewed with the Commission a request by Varo-Real Investments, Inc. to establish a special event venue and to obtain an Alcoholic Beverage Control Type license (Type 47: On Sale General—Eating Place) at 115 E. Tulare Avenue.

Chairman Miguel opened the public hearing.

There being no one to speak in favor of or against the project, the public hearing was closed.

Following Commission discussion it was motioned by Commissioner Rocha and seconded by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution 5373, approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2020-06 based on the findings and subject to the conditions as listed in the staff report.

**COMMISSIONERS**

AYES: Rocha, Miller, Cox, Olivares, Miguel

ABSENT: None

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

**GENERAL BUSINESS—NON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

None

**TEENS ON BOARD:**

None

**DIRECTORS REPORT:**

Director Myers announced that Principal Planner Anaya applied and was awarded a grant from the state which will be used to update the Zoning Ordinance.

Chairman Miguel stated that he is very pleased with the development downtown. He noted that he has seen more development in the last few years than he has in the past 10 years.

**AJOURNMENT:**

There being no other items to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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CHUCK MIGUEL, CHAIRMAN  
City of Tulare Planning Commission

ATTEST:

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TRACI MYERS, SECRETARY  
City of Tulare Planning Commission