

CITY OF TULARE PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tulare Public Library—Council Chambers
491 North M Street

September 27, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cox, Miller, Miguel

TEENS ON BOARD PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Traci Myers, Community & Economic
Development Director
Megan Dodd, Assistant City Attorney
Mario Anaya, Principal 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 Cox led us in the flag salute.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Miller asked staff what is being done to address the homeless issue, noting that she has seen a growing number of homeless in her area and at the Del Lago Park Basin, which is used by the elementary school.

Director Myers stated that at the June 22nd City Council special session on homelessness Council identified a list of action items regarding the homeless that will be addressed at future Council meetings.

Director Myers also stated that the City has hired a Parks Ranger to go around and take care of and clean the parks.

Chairman Miguel noted that Raising Cane's is opening on Tuesday. He also stated that he noticed recent legislation that has been signed regarding allowing additional units in single family residential areas and is concerned about how this will affect the City.

Director Myers stated that Mario Anaya, Principal Planner, has been very involved with this issue and will provide the Commission with an update at an upcoming meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

(1) Minutes of the September 13, 2021 Regular Planning Commission Meeting

It was motioned by Commissioner Cox and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion carried and approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING:

(1) Zone Amendment No. 744:

Traci Myers, Community & Economic Development Director, reviewed with the Commission a request to amend Tulare Municipal Code Sections 10.64, 10.68, 10.72 and 10.76 to allow for the addition of monitored electrified security fences as a permitted use within the Industrial zone district

Chairman Miguel opened the public hearing.

Keith Kaneko, Amaro Representative, thanked staff for their work in preparing this ordinance revision. He stated that he is in agreement with the Industrial zone designation however, he would like the Commission to take into consideration allowing this use within the Commercial Zone districts as well. Mr. Kaneko provided the Commission with a list of various uses within the Commercial Zone districts that would benefit from this type of fencing.

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

Commissioner Miller thanked staff for getting this revision back to Planning Commission so quickly. She asked staff if the Commission chose to consider adding some of the uses in the Commercial Zone to this revision could it be done tonight.

Megan Dodd, Assistant City Attorney, suggested the Commission vote on this Ordinance revision at this time and then direct staff to come back at a later date with the possible addition of specific uses in the Commercial Zone.

Commissioner Cox agrees that this use in specific Commercial Zones be considered. He requested that staff agendize consideration of specific uses within the Commercial Zone at a later date for further discussion.

Following Commission discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Cox and seconded by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution 5400, recommending to City Council approval of Zone Amendment 744, which allows for the revision of Tulare Municipal Code Sections 10.64, 10.68, 10.72 and 10.76 to allow for the addition of monitored electrified security fences as a permitted use within the Industrial zone district; based upon the staff report and subject to the findings and conditions as set forth therein

COMMISSIONERS

AYES: Cox, Miller, Miguel

ABSENT: Rocha, Olivares

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

(2) Conditional Use Permit No. 2021-15:

Mario Anaya, Principal Planner, reviewed with a Commission a request by Ivan Rivas to operate a stationary mobile vending vehicle on the property located at 1731 South K Street.

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 moved by Commissioner Cox and seconded by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution 5399, approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2021-15 based on the findings and subject to the conditions as listed in the staff report.

COMMISSIONERS

AYES: Cox, Miller, Miguel

ABSENT: Rocha, Olivares

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

GENERAL BUSINESS—NON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

None

TEENS ON BOARD:

None

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Director Myers, announced that Raising Cane will be having their grand opening and ribbon cutting on Tuesday, September 27th at 10:00 a.m. and invited the Commissioners to attend. She further announced that the new City Manager, Marc Mondell, started today.

Chairman Miguel asked about a gate in the block wall behind the In and Out and Raising Cane.

Director Myers, stated that it is a gate for emergency access only.

AJOURNMENT:

There being no other items to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34p.m.

CHUCK MIGUEL, CHAIRMAN
City of Tulare Planning Commission

ATTEST:

TRACI MYERS, SECRETARY
City of Tulare Planning Commission