

City of El Cajon

Planning Commission Agenda Tuesday, August 21, 2018 Meeting 7:00 PM, Council Chambers PAUL CIRCO, Chair ANTHONY SOTTILE, Vice Chair VERONICA LONGORIA DARRIN MROZ JERRY TURCHIN

Meeting Location: City Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, CA www.cityofelcajon.us/your-government/departments/community-development/planning-division

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the opportunity for the public to address the Commission on any item of business within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda. Under state law no action can be taken on items brought forward under Public Comment except to refer the item to staff for administrative action or to place it on a future agenda.

CONSENT

Agenda Item:	1
	Planning Commission minutes of July 17, 2018

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Agenda Item:	2					
Project Name:	Emerald Rezoning					
Request:	Rezone from RM-4300 to RM-2200					
CEQA Recommendation:	Exempt					
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL					
Project Number(s):	Zone Reclassification (ZR) No. 2329					
Location:	644-646 Emerald Avenue					
Applicant:	Cory Binns; 619-559-7954; corybinns@gmail.com					
Project Planner:	Spencer Hayes; 619-441-1656; shayes@cityofelcajon.us					
City Council Hearing Required?	Yes September 25, 2018					
Recommended Actions:	1. Conduct the public hearing; and					
	2. MOVE to adopt the next resolution in order					
	recommending City Council approval of the proposed					
	Zone Reclassification No. 2329					

4. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Director's Report

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

7. ADJOURNMENT

This Planning Commission meeting is adjourned to September 4, 2018 at 7 p.m.



MINUTES PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING July 17, 2018

The meeting of the El Cajon Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Paul CIRCO, Chair

Anthony SOTTILE, Vice Chair

Veronica LONGORIA

Darrin MROZ Jerry TURCHIN

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Anthony SHUTE, Director / Planning Commission Secretary

Barbara LUCK, City Attorney

Ron Luis VALLES, Administrative Secretary

Chair CIRCO explained the mission of the Planning Commission and meeting procedures.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was none.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

	Planning Commission minutes of June 19, 2018
Agenda Item:	1

Motion was made by SOTTILE, seconded by MROZ, to approve the June 19, 2018 minutes; carried 4-0 (LONGORIA, abstained).

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

Agenda Item:	2
Project Name:	South Johnson Residences
Request:	New Common Interest Development for three single-

	family residences					
CEQA Recommendation:	Exempt					
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL					
Project Number(s):	Planned Unit Development (PUD) No. 350;					
	Tentative Parcel Map (TPM) No. 659					
Location:	636 South Johnson Avenue					
Applicant:	Alritaj, LLC; Nada Najim & Mohanad Khudhur					
Project Planner:	Lorena Cordova, <u>lcordova@cityofelcajon.us</u> , 619.441.1539					
City Council Hearing Required?	Yes August 14, 2018					
Recommended Actions:	Conduct the public hearing; and					
	2. MOVE to adopt the next resolutions in order					
	recommending City Council approval of the CEQA					
	determination, PUD No. 350 and TPM No. 659, subject					
	to conditions.					

SHUTE provided a PowerPoint presentation, and noted that staff recommended City Council approval.

LONGORIA recommended additional window trim to rear elevations. Commissioners concurred.

The applicant was not present. There was no public testimony.

Motion was made by LONGORIA, seconded by CIRCO, to adopt the next Resolutions in order recommending City Council approval of the CEQA determination, Planned Unit Development No. 350 and Tentative Parcel Map No. 659, adding a condition about adding window enhancements to rear elevations, and subject to conditions; carried 5-0.

This item has been joint-noticed for the City Council meeting at 7 p.m., August 14, 2018.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

In the Director's report, SHUTE provided information projects and on the Housing Capacity Monitoring Program. Additionally, he updated the Commissioners on the Cornerstone project, Dunkin Donuts, Salvation Army, Land Rover/Jaguar, South Magnolia, potential development at main trolley station, and Kaiser Hospital on East Main.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by MROZ, seconded by LONGORIA, to adjourn the meeting of the El Cajon Planning Commission at 7:22 p.m. this 17th day of July 2018 until August 7, 2018; carried 5-0.

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	Paul CIRCO, Chair	
ATTEST:		
Anthony SHUTE, AICP, Secretary		



Community Development Department PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

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	Zone Reclassification No. 2329					

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of a request to rezone the subject site from the RM-4300 (Residential, Multi-family, 4,300 square feet) to the RM-2200 (Residential, Multi-family, 2,200 square feet) zone.

BACKGROUND

General Plan:	Medium Density Residential (MR)				
Specific Plan:	N/A				
Zone:	RM-4300				
Other City Plan(s):	None				
Regional and State Plan(s):	None				
Notable State Law(s):	None				

Project Site & Constraints

The subject property is located on the west side of Emerald Avenue between Chamberlain and West Washington Avenues. The site area is 8,820 square feet and is currently occupied by two residential units with five parking spaces and an unpermitted accessory structure. The unpermitted structure is approximately 400 square feet and the site currently exceeds the lot coverage requirement of 50 percent in the existing RM-4300 zone. Further, the accessory structure is located too close to another structure used for habitation than allowed by the Zoning Code.

Surrounding Context

Properties surrounding the project site are developed and zoned as follows:

Direction	Zones	Land Uses		
North	RM-2200	Apartments		
South	RS-6	Single-family Residence		
East	RM-2200	Apartments		
West	RM-2200	Apartments		

General Plan

According to the General Plan Land Use Map, the subject property is designated Medium Density Residential (MR). The MR designation is intended to accommodate residential development in the density range of 18 to 20 dwelling units per acre. The General Plan designates residential land use classifications intended to accommodate various densities of residential development within the city. It is the intent of every residential zone to implement the goals and objectives of the General Plan by regulating residential development with specific development standards. The General Plan also provides the framework for determining if the proposed land use change is consistent with the General Plan. Specifically, Goal 5 calls for a broad range of housing types to be made available to meet the housing needs of various age and income groups. Furthermore, Policy 5-2.1 states: "the City will provide a variety of residential development opportunities in the City to fulfill regional housing needs."

The attached General Plan Zoning Consistency Chart lists the individual zone districts which are compatible within the various land use designations of the General Plan. According to the chart, the proposed RM-2200 zone is compatible with the proposed MR General Plan designation so rezoning the property to the RM-2200 zone would bring the property's zoning into conformance with the General Plan.

Zoning Code

The Zoning Code provides the minimum lot requirements for properties within residential zone categories. The proposed RM-2200 zone is intended for residential development in the medium density range which is between 18 to 20 units per acre and requires a minimum lot area of 7,000 square feet, a minimum lot width of 70 feet, and a minimum lot depth of 90 feet.

DISCUSSION

Zone Change

The proposal to change the zoning designation of the subject property from RM-4300 to RM-2200 is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan, which call for a broad range of housing types, and the fulfillment of regional housing needs. Furthermore, the proposed zone is consistent with the General Plan land use designation and brings the property's zone into conformance with the General Plan.

Development Standards

If and when the subject site is developed further, the property would be subject to the following development standards of the RM-2200 zone:

Development Standard	RM-2200 Zone				
Density	1 unit/2,200 square feet of total lot area				
Setbacks	10 feet (min) – front and exterior 6 feet (min) – interior 12 feet (min) – rear 12 feet (min) – between structures				
Building Height	35 feet (max)				
Lot Coverage	55% (including parking areas and drivew aisles)				
Parking	2 parking spaces per studio or 1 bedroom unit or 2.25 parking spaces per unit with 2 or more bedrooms				

The RM-2200 zone would allow the property owner to keep a portion of the unpermitted accessory structure. The site currently exceeds the RM-4300 lot coverage limit of 50 percent, inclusive of drive aisles and parking area. The RM-2200 zone allows for an additional five percent coverage, up to 55 percent. Since the lot size is 8,820 square feet, the allowable coverage would increase from 4,410 square feet to 4,851 square feet under the proposed RM-2200 zone. A permitted accessory structure of approximately 441 square feet could be maintained on the property, subject to meeting all other development standards. For example, the existing unpermitted structure meets lot coverage requirements of the proposed zone, however it is located too close to another structure used for habitation. The structure would need to be reduced by approximately four feet on either side, down to an area of 324 square feet.

Any subsequent residential development proposal would be subject to satisfying the RM-2200 development standards and architectural requirements. An applicant would have the ability to propose a common interest development or for rent project. In either scenario, the site yield is approximately three units.

FINDINGS

Zone Reclassification

A. The proposed zoning amendment, including any changes proposed in the various land uses to be authorized, is compatible with the objectives, policies, general land uses, and programs specified in the general plan.

The proposed RM-2200 zone is consistent with the General Plan Land Use designation of MR as indicated in the General Plan Zoning Consistency Chart. Furthermore, the

- proposed RM-2200 zone provides an opportunity for an additional unit and the existing accessory structure in accordance with all development standards, if the accessory structure is modified and a building permit is applied for and issued.
- B. The proposed zoning amendment is consistent with any applicable specific plan governing development of the subject property.
 - There is no applicable specific plan which governs the development of the subject property.
- C. It is in the public necessity and convenience and/or general welfare that the zoning regulations governing the property be changed.
 - Rezoning from RM-4300 to RM-2200 provides opportunity to rectify an existing code compliance violation and provides potential for additional residential density, in line with public necessity and general welfare.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

This request is exempt from CEQA under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment [Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3)]. The CEQA Guidelines define a "significant effect on the environment" as "a substantial adverse change in the physical conditions which exist in the area affected by the proposed project including land, air, water, minerals, flora, fauna, ambient noise, and objects of historic or aesthetic significance." The requested zone change is consistent with the El Cajon General Plan and it will not directly result in any physical changes or any expansion of use of the site at this time.

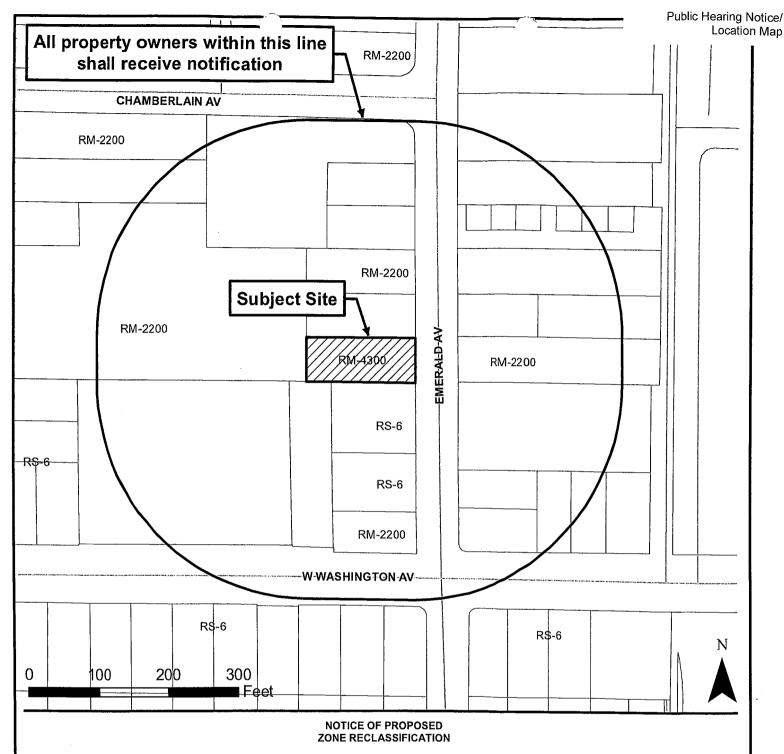
PUBLIC NOTICE & INPUT

A Notice of Application was mailed on March 6, 2018 to all property owners and occupants within 300 feet of the project site to inform them of the application for the proposed Zone Reclassification No. 2329. No public comments have been received.

Notice of this public hearing was published in the East County Gazette and mailed on August 2, 2018, to all property owners within 300 feet of the project site and to anyone who requested such notice in writing, in compliance with Government Code sections 65090, 65091, and 65092, as applicable. Additionally, as a public service, the notice was posted in the kiosk at City Hall and on the City's website. The notice was also mailed to the two public libraries in the City of El Cajon, located at 201 East Douglas Avenue and 576 Garfield Avenue.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Public Hearing Notice/Location Map
- Proposed Resolution Recommending City Council Approval of Zone Reclassification No. 2329
- 3. Zoning Consistency Matrix
- 4. Aerial Photograph of Subject Site
- 5. Site Plan (in Commissioner's binders)
- 6. Application & Disclosure Statement



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the El Cajon Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 21, 2018, and the El Cajon City Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 25, 2018, in the City Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, CA, to consider:

ZONE RECLASSIFICATION NO. 2329 as submitted by Cory Binns, requesting a Zone Reclassification from the RM-4300 to the RM-2200 zone. The subject property is addressed as 644-646 Emerald Avenue. This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The public is invited to attend and participate in these public hearings. The agenda reports for this project will be available 72 hours prior to the meeting for Planning Commission and City Council at www.cityofelcajon.us/your-government/city-meetings-with-agendas-and-minutes-all. In an effort to reduce the City's carbon footprint, paper copies will not be provided at the public hearings, but will be available at the Project Assistance Center and City Clerk counters upon request.

If you challenge the matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearings described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Commission or Council at, or prior to, the public hearings. The City of El Cajon encourages the participation of disabled individuals in the services, activities, and programs provided by the City. Individuals with disabilities who require reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing should contact Planning at 619.441.1742. More information about planning and zoning in El Cajon is available at www.cityofelcajon.us/your-government/departments/community-development/planning-division.

If you have any questions, or wish any additional information, please contact **SPENCER HAYES** at 619.441.1656 or via email at shayes@cityofelcajon.us and reference "Emerald ZR" in the subject line.

PROPOSED PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF ZONE RECLASSIFICATION NO. 2329 FOR THE REZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF EMERALD AVENUE BETWEEN CHAMBERLAIN AND WEST WASHINGTON AVENUES FROM RM-4300 (RESIDENTIAL, MULTI-FAMILY, 4,300 SQUARE FEET) TO RM-2200 (RESIDENTIAL, MULTI-FAMILY, 2,200 SQUARE FEET) ZONE; APN: 487-544-61; GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (MR).

WHEREAS, the El Cajon Planning Commission held a duly advertised public hearing on August 21, 2018, to consider Zone Reclassification No. 2329, to consider a change in the zoning designation from the RM-4300 to the RM-2200 zone, as submitted by Cory Binns, for the property on the west side of Emerald Avenue between Chamberlain and West Washington Avenues, and addressed as 644-646 Emerald Avenue; APN: 487-544-61; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), and prior to making a recommendation to the City Council, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the information contained in the project staff report; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing the Planning Commission received evidence through public testimony and comment, in the form of verbal and written communications and reports prepared and presented to the Planning Commission, including (but not limited to) evidence such as the following:

- A. The proposed RM-2200 zone is consistent with the General Plan Land Use designation of MR as indicated in the General Plan Zoning Consistency Chart. Furthermore, the proposed RM-2200 zone provides an opportunity for an additional unit and the existing accessory structure in accordance with all development standards, if the accessory structure is modified and a building permit is applied for and issued.
- B. There is no applicable specific plan that governs the development of the subject property.
- C. Rezoning from RM-4300 to RM-2200 provides opportunity to rectify an existing code compliance violation and provides potential for additional residential density, in line with public necessity and general welfare.

WHEREAS, after considering such evidence and facts the Planning Commission did consider Zone Reclassification No. 2329 as presented at its meeting.

Proposed Planning Commission Resolution

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the El Cajon Planning Commission as follows:

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct, and are findings of fact of the El Cajon Planning Commission in regard to Zone Reclassification No. 2329.

Section 2. That based upon said findings of fact, the El Cajon Planning Commission hereby RECOMMENDS City Council APPROVAL of Zone Reclassification No. 2329 to rezone property from the RM-4300 to the RM-2200 zone, located on the east side of Emerald Avenue between Chamberlain and West Washington Avenues, in accordance with the attached Exhibit "A".

Section 3. That the second ordinance reading for Zone Reclassification No. 2329 shall not occur until the subject property is in full compliance with the RM-2200 zone development standards.

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Proposed Planning Commission Resolution

meeting held August 21, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT:	
	Paul CIRCO, Chair
ATTEST:	
Anthony SHUTE, AICP, Secretary	

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the El Cajon City Planning Commission at a regular

Zoning Consistency Chart – Adopted by City Council on July 13, 2010 – Resolution No. 94-10 City of El Cajon

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LEGEND:

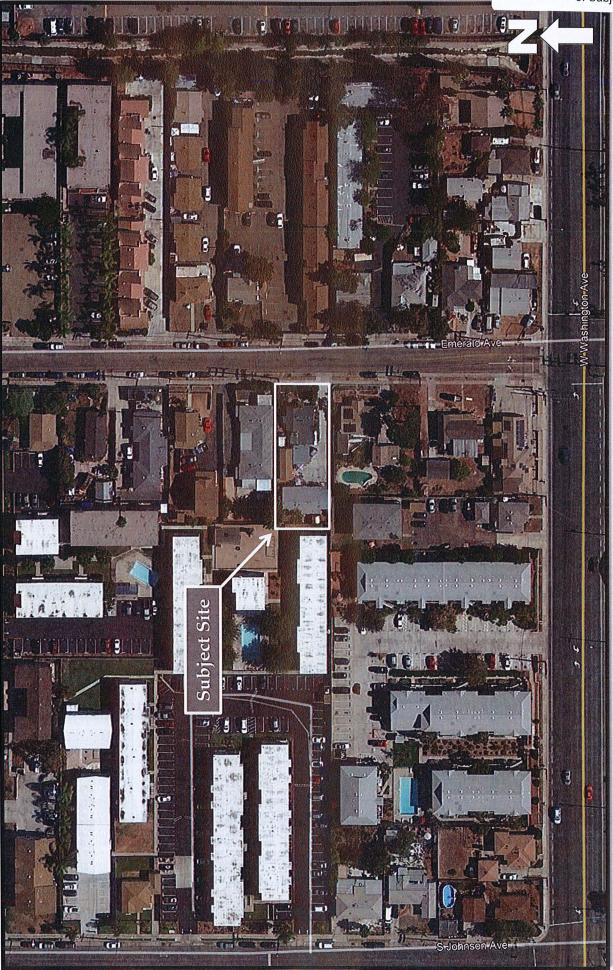
X - Consistent with General Plan■ - May be found consistent with applicable general plan land use designation

May be found consistent with applicable General Plan land use designation, if property owner makes such a request and there is no public Rezoning to add hillside overlay may be found consistent, if at least 50% of the lot has an average natural slope of 10% Ċ ä Footnotes:

May be found consistent with Light Industrial land use designation under unique and unusual circumstances - such finding enables the property to be used for all purposes and uses authorized by the M zoning district. purpose in requiring a more intense use. Ö

General Notes: 1.

All zones may be found consistent with General Plan public institution, school, and park land use designations. All zones may be found consistent with special development areas, if found to further the provisions of the particular special development area.



Aerial Image 644-646 Emerald Avenue

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Project Assistance Center PLANNING PERMIT APPLICATION

Type of Planning Permit(s) Requested										
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Address:	1090	18 600	ZWOOD	LANE	50	92/31				
Phone:	858 72	22 7785	Email:	SOLG.	544N4S	CATT, NET				
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Company Name:	SAMO	ASABO	ive							
Contact Name:										
Address:	6	,44-646	EME	RALOK	NENUE	EL CATON				
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Project Location
Parcel Number (APN): 487 - 544 - 61 - 00
Address: 644-646 EMERALO AVE.
Nearest Intersection: WASHING TON 5T
Project Description (or attach separate narrative)
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COMPLIANCE WITH MUNICIPAL COOK
Hazardous Waste and Substances Statement Section 65962.5(f) of the State of California Government Code requires that before the City of El Cajon accepts as complete an application for any discretionary project, the applicant submit a signed statement indicating whether or not the project site is identified on the State of California Hazardous Waste and Substances Sites List. This list identifies known sites that have been subject to releases of hazardous chemicals, and is available at http://www.calepa.ca.gov/sitecleanup/corteselist/ . Check the appropriate box and if applicable, provide the necessary information: The development project and any alternatives proposed in this application: Sis/are NOT contained on the lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. If yes, provide Regulatory Identification Number: Date of List: Date of List:
Authorization Applicant Signature ¹ : Date: //4//66
Applicant Signature ¹ : Property Owner Signature ² : Date: /////s
 Applicant's Signature: I certify that I have read this application and state that the above information is correct, and that I am the propert owner, authorized agent of the property owner, or other person having a legal right, interest, or entitlement to the use of the propert that is the subject of this application. I understand that the applicant is responsible for knowing and complying with the governing.

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- 1. Applicant's Signature: I certify that I have read this application and state that the above information is correct, and that I am the property owner, authorized agent of the property owner, or other person having a legal right, interest, or entitlement to the use of the property that is the subject of this application. I understand that the applicant is responsible for knowing and complying with the governing policies and regulations applicable to the proposed development or permit. The City is not liable for any damages or loss resulting from the actual or alleged failure to inform the applicant of any applicable laws or regulations, including before or during final inspections. City approval of a permit application, including all related plans and documents, is not a grant of approval to violate any applicable policy or regulation, nor does it constitute a waiver by the City to pursue any remedy, which may be available to enforce and correct violations of the applicable policies and regulations. I authorize representatives of the City to enter the subject property for inspection purposes.
- 2. **Property Owner's Signature:** If not the same as the applicant, property owner must also sign. A signed, expressed letter of consent to this application may be provided separately instead of signing this application form. By signing, property owner acknowledges and consents to all authorizations, requirements, conditions and notices described in this application. Notice of Restriction: property owner further acknowledges and consents to a Notice of Restriction being recorded on the title to their property related to approval of the requested permit. A Notice of Restriction runs with the land and binds any successors in interest.



Disclosure Statement

This statement is intended to identify and avoid potential conflicts of interest that may exist between the project proponents and the decision makers; including City staff, Planning Commissioners, and City Council members.

The following information must be disclosed:

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	12 months or \$1,000.00 with the spouse of any such person? Yes No							
	If yes, please indicate person(s), dates, and amounts of such transactions or gifts.							
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E	ature of applicant / date CORY BINNS							
Sign	ature of applicant / date / Print or type name of applicant							

NOTE: Attach appropriate names on additional pages as necessary.