

RESOLUTION NO. PC2021-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA CALIFORNIA, RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF REVISION TO TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 37940 TO SUBDIVIDE 8.25 ACRES (APN 778-020-007 & 778-010-017) INTO SEVEN PARCELS FOR FINANCING AND DEVELOPMENT PHASING PURPOSES ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF FIRST STREET AND CESAR CHAVEZ STREET. COACHELLA RETAIL REALTY ASSOCIATES, LP (APPLICANT).

WHEREAS, Coachella Retail Realty Associates, LP filed an application to revise Tentative Parcel Map No. 37940 to subdivide approximately 8.255 acres into seven (7) parcels, located on the northeast corner of First Street and Cesar Chavez Street, more particularly described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof; and,

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2020, the Planning Commission of the City of Coachella held a duly noticed and published Public Hearing and considered the Tentative Parcel Map as presented by the applicant, adopting PC Resolution 2020-07 with the finding, conditions, and staff recommendations

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 2020-56, approving Tentative Parcel Map 37940, at a public hearing on October 14, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the City has processed the application to revise the Tentative Parcel Map 37940 pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act (commencing with Section 64600, Title 7 of the Government Code and the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970) as amended; and,

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, the Planning Commission of the City of Coachella held a duly noticed and published Public Hearing and considered the revision to Tentative Parcel Map as presented by the applicant, adopting the finding, conditions, and staff recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission does recommend the approval to the City Council of the revision to Tentative Parcel Map No. 37940, subject to the recommended findings and conditions of approval contained in the staff report and contained herein; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of the City of Coachella, California hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Recitals

The Planning Commission hereby finds that all of the facts in the Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated and adopted as findings of the Planning Commission as fully set forth in this resolution.

Section 2. CEQA Findings

Based upon its review of the entire record, including the Staff Report, any public comments or testimony presented to the Planning Commission, and the facts outlined below, the Planning Commission hereby finds and determines that the proposed project will not result in any new environmental effects that were not previously analyzed as part of the original project under Environmental Initial Study 07-16 on May 7, 2008 for Fountainhead Plaza for all phases of the project.

Section 3. Tentative Parcel Map Findings

With respect to Tentative Parcel Map 37490, the Planning Commission finds as follows for the proposed

1. The proposed tentative map revision is consistent with the General Plan and the City of Coachella Official Zoning Map. The proposed subdivision is within a land use designation of Downtown Center according to the General Plan 2035 Land Use Element which allows for the proposed commercial uses. The subdivision is consistent with the development standards permitted by the Downtown Center, with the exception of the auto related uses for which the Planning Commission found to be approved uses under the original entitlement of the subject site (CUP No. 233 and AR No. 07-20). Tentative Parcel Map 37940, including the revision to the map, is in compliance with the standards of the Zoning Ordinance with respect to the G-C (General Commercial) including minimum lot size, minimum lot depth, and minimum lot width. Additionally, This subdivision will accommodate for a variety of commercial uses and is consistent with the City's vision for this area to be developed with commercial uses to serve the adjacent urban residential uses by providing close proximity to commercial amenities.
2. The site is physically suitable for the future commercial development and density. The proposed subdivision will provide adequate sized lots for a phased commercial development. The seven (7) proposed lots will have adequate dimensions, and ingress and egress to accommodate future development by access drives and internal circulation for ingress and egress and reciprocal access on the existing driveways.
3. The design of the subdivision and type of improvements are not likely to cause substantial environmental damage or substantially and avoidably injure fish or wildlife or their habitat. There are no sensitive habitats or bodies of water in the immediate vicinity of the site. For future development proposed on the site, all drainage from increased impervious material on the site will be contained on site for a 100-year storm event, as required by City regulations. As such there would be no impact to the Coachella Valley Whitewater Channel which is more than one mile away from the site.
4. The design of the subdivision and type of improvements are not likely to cause any serious public health problems. The proposed subdivision would allow for future development of commercial uses intended and identified in the General Plan and the zoning code. All future

development would be reviewed for compliance with applicable California Building Code regulations prior to issuance of any building permits.

5. The design of the subdivision and type of improvements will not conflict with easements, acquired by the public at large, for access through or use of, property within the proposed subdivision. The proposed subdivision would create seven (4) additional lots for future commercial development with adequate street access, and utility connections to all lots.
6. Based upon its review of the entire record, including the Staff Report, any public comments or testimony presented to the Planning Commission, and the facts outlined below, the Planning Commission hereby finds and determines that the proposed project will not result in any new environmental effects that were not previously analyzed as part of the original project under Environmental Initial Study 07-16 on May 7, 2008 for Fountainhead Plaza for all phases of the project.

Section 5. Planning Commission Approval

Based on the foregoing recitals and findings above, and the written and oral comments, facts and evidence presented, the City of Coachella Planning Commission hereby recommends that the City Council approve Tentative Parcel Map 37940 as set forth in “Exhibit A” for the Fountainhead Plaza Phase III development, subject to the Conditions of Approval of Council Resolution 2020-56.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 15th day of December 2021.

Stephanie Virgen, Chairperson
Coachella Planning Commission

ATTEST:

Gabriel Perez,
Planning Commission Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos
City Attorney

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. PC2021-27, was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Coachella, California, held on the 15th day of December 2021 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Gabriel Perez
Planning Commission Secretary

