

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA, CALIFORNIA, CONDITIONALLY APPROVING ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENT PERMIT NO. 26-02 TO ALLOW LIMITED ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS WHERE ON-SALE BEER SERVICE IS PROVIDED IN A 1,625 SQUARE FOOT COMMERCIAL TENANT SPACE FOR THE CLAMATOSDEL43 SPORTS BAR LOCATED AT 49915 CESAR CHAVEZ STREET (APN 603-281-044), AND FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) GUIDELINES SECTION 15301 (EXISTING FACILITIES). APPLICANT: SALVADOR ISLAS

WHEREAS, the applicant, Salvador Islas, filed an application for Entertainment Permit No. 26-02 to allow a 1,625 square foot sports bar with service of beer (ABC License Type 40 – On Sale Beer) to utilize recorded music and live performances by a musical group of four to six persons once per month on Saturdays as well as on the grand opening day in an existing commercial building located at 49915 Cesar Chavez Street; Assessor’s Parcel No. 603-281-044 (“Project”); and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing to consider CUP No. 401 for a Type 40- On Sale Beer liquor license on May 6, 2026 at 1515 6th Street, Coachella, California and approved CUP No. 401; and,

WHEREAS, the subject property is located at 49915 Cesar Chavez Street at Assessor’s Parcel Number 603-281-044 has a zoning designation of Neighborhood Commercial and a General Plan 2035 land use designation of Neighborhood Center; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed use is necessary or desirable for the development of the community, is consistent with the objectives of the City’s General Plan, and is not detrimental to the existing uses or the uses specifically permitted in the zone in which the proposed use is to be located; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the proposed indoor entertainment venue with where alcohol is served; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act as “Existing Facilities” (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301); and,

WHEREAS, a notice of a public hearing to consider Entertainment Permit No. 26-02 was issued in accordance with Coachella Municipal Code Section 17.74.010(G), inclusive of the publication on May 17, 2026, of a legal public hearing notice which was published in the Desert Sun, the City’s newspaper of record and mailing of a public hearing notice to a certified list of property owners within 300 feet of the subject properties on May 13, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2026, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing

to consider the application for the Project during which evidence, both written and oral, including the staff report and supporting documents, was presented at said hearing; and,

WHEREAS, the site for proposed use relates properly to streets which are designed to carry the type and quantity of traffic to be generated by the proposed use; and,

WHEREAS, the Applicant and members of the public were present and were afforded an opportunity to testify regarding the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the Project is permitted pursuant to Chapter 5.24 of the Coachella Municipal Code, subject to approval of an Entertainment Permit to allow the proposed use; and,

WHEREAS, the conditions of approval as stipulated by the City are necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the site for the proposed use relates properly to streets which are designed to carry the type and quantity of traffic to be generated by the proposed use; and,

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the public hearing and following discussion, the City Council approved this Resolution for the conditional approval of the Clamatosdel43 Sport Bar Entertainment Permit as conditioned with the motion vote outcome specified in the meeting minutes for the May 27, 2026, City Council meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Coachella, California does hereby recommend approval of Entertainment Permit No. 26-02, subject to the findings and conditions of approval listed below:

Section 1. Incorporation of Recitals

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

Section 2. CEQA Findings

The City Council finds the Project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act under Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The entire Project is exempt under Section 15301 because it involves the operation, permitting, licensing and minor alteration of an existing private commercial structure involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former commercial use. The subject site has been used for commercial retail establishments and no expansions of use is propose.

Furthermore, none of the exceptions to the use of categorical exemptions set forth in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply. There is no possibility of a significant cumulative impact as staff does not anticipate that other projects of the same type will take place at the project site or the surrounding area. The tenant space does not present any unusual circumstances such as unusual resources, an unusual location, or unusual physical qualities

inherent to the project site that might result in significant impacts. The project area is developed and does not contain any environmentally sensitive areas. The project would not damage any scenic resources, including trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. The project is not located on a hazardous waste site or any other site included on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5 and the proposed project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource because there are no historical resources near the proposed project such that project impacts would not have any substantial adverse changes in the significance of a historical resource.

Staff is hereby authorized and directed to prepare, execute, and file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk and the State Clearinghouse within five working days of approval of the Project.

Section 4. Entertainment Establishment Permit Findings

With respect to Entertainment Permit No. 26-02, the City Council finds as follows for the proposed entertainment permit request:

1. The information provided in the application is accurate, complete and truthful, as evidenced by staff and there are no known violations of any laws, ordinances, or regulations related to the applicant's fitness to manage or operate the proposed entertainment venue.
2. The applicant possesses the required moral character to comply with the requirements of Chapter 5.24 and the conditions of approval imposed herein. As conditioned, the proposed added security measures will ensure that the public safety for the business will be maintained to the satisfaction of the Chief of Police.
3. The applicant has sufficient resources and experienced personnel to manage and operate the proposed entertainment venue in a safe, professional and effective manner in accordance with the Coachella Municipal Code. The Applicant has retained an experienced management team to assist with the operation of the sports bar and the proposed entertainment activities
4. The proposed use will not be in conflict with, but will be in harmony with and in accordance with the objectives of the general plan because the proposed restaurant use with alcohol sales is within the Neighborhood Center land use designation according to the General Plan 2035, which allows the intended physical character to provide a concentration of neighborhood-serving businesses and civic amenities within convenient walking or biking distance of nearby neighborhoods. Clamatosdel43 Sports Bar will provide a unique service to the Neighborhood Center and citywide that accomplished the goals of the General Plan.
5. The City of Coachella has determined that the proposed project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act as an "Existing Facilities" project (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301a) as the proposed entertainment uses ancillary to and in conjunction with an existing restaurant

business in an existing commercial building.

Section 5. City Council Approval

Based on the foregoing recitals and findings above, and the written and oral comments, facts and evidence presented, the City of Coachella City Council hereby approves Entertainment Permit No. 26-02 subject to conditions of approval in “Exhibit A.”

PASSED APPROVED and ADOPTED this 27th day of May 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dr. Frank Figueroa
Mayor

ATTEST:

Angela M. Zepeda
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ryan Guiboa, Best, Best, and Krieger
City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF COACHELLA)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 2026-29 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coachella at a regular meeting thereof, held on this 27th day of May 2026 by the following vote of Council:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Delia Granados
Deputy City Clerk