

**RESOLUTION NO. PC2020-07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA CALIFORNIA, RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF 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. FOUNTAINHEAD DEVELOPMENT, APPLICANT.**

WHEREAS, Fountainhead Development has filed an application for 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, the City has processed said application 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 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 the finding, conditions, and staff recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission does recommend the approval to the City Council of 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 recommends that the City Council of the City of Coachella, California APPROVE Tentative Parcel Map No. 37940 with the findings and conditions listed below.

**Findings for Tentative Parcel Map 37940**

1. The proposed tentative map 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 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. The City of Coachella has determined that the proposed project qualifies for a CEQA exemption under Section 15332. Class 32 consists of projects characterized as in-fill development meeting the conditions described in this section; (a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations; (b) The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site where no more than five acres are to be developed and substantially surrounded by urban uses; (c) The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species; (d) Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality; (e) The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services. Therefore, the City has acknowledged that the project is exempt from CEQA. As such, there are not additional mitigation measures required and no additional environmental reviews for the subdivision to be approved.

**Conditions:**

1. Tentative Parcel Map No. 37940 is approved for the Fountainhead Development Project for a two-year period from the effective date unless an extension of time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Planning Commission. A building permit and diligent pursuit of construction shall vest the conditional use permit. Violation of any of the conditions of approval shall be cause for revocation of the Conditional Use Permits and architectural Review.

**Final Map**

2. The Final Map shall be submitted to the City Engineering Department for plan check and final approval prior to recordation.
3. The final map shall comply with the Subdivision Map Act and City of Coachella Subdivision Ordinance.
4. All public streets shall be dedicated to City of Coachella.
5. Prior to submittal of the final map to the City Council for approval, the applicant shall post securities (Bonds) to guarantee the installation of required improvements and a Subdivision Improvement Agreement shall be submitted to Engineering Division for City Engineer and City Attorney approval.
6. Prior to approval of the Final Map, the applicant shall resolve CVWD issues related to existing tile drains or irrigation mains located within the tract boundary or along the streets adjacent to the tract. If necessary, tile drains and irrigation lines shall be relocated and easement documents prepared for the new location of any such lines. The easement shall be shown on the final map. Plans for the tile drain or irrigation relocation shall be submitted to CVWD for approval and a copy of the plans shall be submitted to the City for evaluation regarding possible conflict with City facilities. The applicant shall submit to the City approved copies of any such relocation plans.
7. Proof of any and all easement abandonment shall be provided to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

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Javier Solis, Chairperson  
Coachella Planning Commission

**ATTEST:**

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Yesenia Becerril,  
Planning Commission Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Carlos Campos  
City Attorney

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. PC2020-08, was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Coachella, California, held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Yesenia Becerril  
Planning Commission Secretary

EXHIBIT A

