

Legislation Text

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# FROM:

Planning

# TITLE:

Master Case No. 20-081; Design Review No. 20-030 - A proposal to construct a mixed-use development containing twenty-four (24) residential apartment units, an 1,800 square foot retail unit, and a 1,300 square foot restaurant unit on approximately 0.62 adjusted gross acres.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the information in the staff report and subject to the attached Findings and Conditions of Approval, staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt Resolution PC No. 2021-\_\_\_; and,

- Determine that the project is Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section No. 15332 (Class No. 32, In-Fill Development Project) of the CEQA and Section No. 3.22 of the 2019 Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption; and,
- 2. Approve Design Review No. 20-030.

# APPLICANT:

Milad Oueijan B-Hive Group 2751 Rio Lempa Drive Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

# LOCATION:

The project site is located at 13381 Foothill Boulevard (APN: 0229-052-11).

# REQUEST:

Design Review No. 20-030 is a proposal to construct a mixed-use development containing twentyfour (24) residential apartment units, an 1,800 square foot retail unit, and a 1,300 square foot restaurant unit on approximately 0.62 adjusted gross acres.

# **PROJECT PLANNER:**

Cecily Session-Goins, Associate Planner

## I. <u>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</u>

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#### A. Land Use Designations: General Plan Zoning /Overlay Existing Land Use Form-Based Code (FBC) Walkable Mixed-Use I - Route 66 Gateway Sub-Site: Vacant (WMXU-1) District **Residential Planned** Single-Family North: West End Specific Plan Community (R-PC) Residential Form-Based Code (FBC) Walkable Mixed-Use I - Route 66 Gateway Sub-South: Single-Family Dwelling (WMXU-1) District Form-Based Code (FBC) Walkable Mixed-Use I - Route 66 Gateway Sub-East: Self-Storage Business (WMXU-1) District Form-Based Code (FBC) Walkable Mixed-Use I West: - Route 66 Gateway Sub-Retail Auto Parts (WMXU-1) District

## II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A. Site Area:

Approximately .62 adjusted gross acres (27,015 square feet)

B. <u>Residential Unit Density:</u> Allowed: 18.0-39.0 dwelling units/acre

C. <u>Unit/Building Analysis:</u> Retail: Approximately 1,800 square feet Restaurant: Approximately 1,300 square feet Total Area: Approximately 3,200 square feet

Residential: 1-bedroom, 6 units 2-bedrooms, 15 units 3-bedrooms, 3 units Total 24 units

D. <u>Parking Analysis:</u> Vehicle Spaces: Required: 45 spaces Provided: 48 spaces

## III. <u>ANALYSIS:</u>

The applicant, B-Hive Group, is requesting that the Planning Commission review and approve a new mixed-use development containing twenty-four (24) residential apartment units, a 1,800 square foot retail unit, and a 1,300 square foot restaurant unit. The project site consists of one (1) parcel totaling approximately .62 adjusted gross acres (27,015 square feet).

The proposed density of residential apartment units is approximately 38.7 dwelling units per acre, which is within the allowable density of 18.0 to 39.0 dwelling units per acre. The unit mixture includes six (6) one-bedroom units, fifteen (15) two-bedroom units and three (3) three-bedroom units. Each unit will have attached private open space in the form of a balcony or terrace. Common open space will include covered outdoor seating, picnic tables, a shuffleboard court, a horseshoe pit, outdoor exercise equipment and a hot tub. These amenities will be located on the roof and will be accessed via stairs and elevator.

The proposed development will also have a 1,800 square foot retail unit and a 1,300 square foot restaurant located on the ground floor adjacent to Foothill Boulevard. The restaurant will also have 450 square feet of outdoor dining. These

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units are speculative and do not have an intended tenant at this time.

The project site will be accessed by one driveway from Foothill Boulevard on the western portion of the parcel. The driveway will provide access to the customer parking for the retail and restaurant space as well as the semi-subterranean parking for the residential units. The residential parking area will be secured by a roll-down gate. In addition to parking spaces for the units, secured storage units for each unit and bicycle parking will also be provided. An additional emergency vehicle access point is provided at the southeastern portion of the site through the adjacent parcel to the east.

The project is aesthetically pleasing in appearance. The proposed project is also consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan and applicable provisions of the General Commercial zoning district including Goal 5.3, Policy 5: (Community Design Element) stating that buildings "shall incorporate distinct and varied architectural details through varied rooflines, and detailed façade treatments". The architecture incorporates the use of stucco, glass, and reclaimed wood to accentuate the Modern architectural style.

### Environmental:

The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section No. 15332 (Class No. 32, In-Fill Development Project) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Section No. 3.22 (Infill Projects) of the 2019 Local Guidelines for Implementing CEQA. This project site is considered In-Fill Development and meets the CEQA exemption requirements for In-Fill, based on : 1) the project is consistent with the Walkable Mixed-Use Downtown and Corridors (WMXU-1) General Plan land use designation; 2) the project site is approximately 0.9 adjusted gross acres (less than 5 acres); 3) the project site is not within any known sensitive or threatened habitat area; 4) the project will not have a significant effect relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality; and 5) there are adequate public utilities and service for the development of the proposed 18-unit apartment complex project.

### MOTION:

Approve staff's recommendation

### ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Vicinity Map
- 2. Site Plan
- 3. Elevations
- 4. Planning Commission Resolution, Findings and Conditions of Approval
- 5. Notice of Exemption
- 6. Notice of Public Hearing

### UNDER SEPARATE COVER:

- 1. Large Plans and Elevations
- 2. Reduced Color Copies of Site Plan and Elevations