



AGENDA REPORT

Department: Planning
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Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024
Approved by: Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager

SUBJECT:

Notice of Decision – Planning Commission approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for beer and wine sales at an existing restaurant (Mr. Pulpo Seafood) located at 831 East 8th Street.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the sale of on-site beer and wine, subject to the recommended conditions in the attached resolution and a determination that the project is exempt from CEQA. The sale of beer and wine is a conditionally-allowed use in the Major Mixed-Use Corridor zone and would be accessory to food sales at the restaurant.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:

On November 4, 2024, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the CUP by a unanimous vote of those present.

Ayes: Armenta, Castle, Forman, Miller, Quinones, Sanchez, Valenzuela

EXPLANATION:

The operator of Mr. Pulpo Seafood restaurant has applied for a California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 41 license to offer on-site beer and wine sales. The applicant is proposing alcohol sales from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily. No live entertainment is proposed.

The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on November 4, 2024, and voted to recommend approval of the request based on the attached findings and recommended Conditions of Approval. The attached Planning Commission staff report describes the proposal in detail.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

An application fee of \$3,700 was paid with the submittal of the subject CUP. Fees are anticipated to cover the cost of staff review time and processing of the permit.

RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Balanced Budget and Economic Development

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

This is a project under CEQA subject to a Categorical Exemption. Existing Facilities. CCR 15301(c).

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

The Agenda Report was posted within 72 hours of the meeting date and time in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

ORDINANCE:

Not Applicable

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A – Planning Commission Staff Report with attachments

Exhibit B – 11/4/24 Planning Commission PowerPoint slides