

FINAL MINUTES CAPITOLA PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015 7 P.M. – CAPITOLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Linda Smith: Absent, Commissioner Gayle Ortiz: Present, Commissioner Edward Newman: Present, Commissioner TJ Welch: Present, Commissioner Susan Westman: Present.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Additions and Deletions to Agenda

None

B. Public Comments

None

C. Commission Comments

None

D. Staff Comments

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Planning Commission - Regular Meeting - September 3, 2015

Commissioner Ortiz asked that condition 13 for 154 Cortez be clarified indicating that one parking space in the garage should be available and used before street parking.

RESULT: ACCEPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Gayle Ortiz, Commissioner

SECONDER: Edward Newman, Commissioner

AYES: Ortiz, Newman, Welch, Westman

ABSENT: Smith

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. 4790 Topaz St #15-131 APN: 034-066-03

Design Permit to demolish the existing structure and build a new, 2-story single family home in the R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zoning District.

This project is in the Coastal Zone and requires a Coastal Development Permit, which is not appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption

Property Owner: Scott Haggblade and Melissa Burke, filed: 8/21/15

Representative: Scott Haggblade

MOTION: Approve a Design Permit and Coastal Development Permit with the following conditions and findings:

CONDITIONS

- The project approval consists of construction of a new 1,836 square-foot residence. The maximum Floor Area Ratio for the 3,281 square foot property is 56% (1,837 square feet). The total FAR of the project is 56% with a total of 1,836 square feet, compliant with the maximum FAR within the zone. The proposed project is approved as indicated on the final plans reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission on October 1st, 2015, except as modified through conditions imposed by the Planning Commission during the hearing.
- Prior to construction, a building permit shall be secured for any new construction or modifications to structures authorized by this permit. Final building plans shall be consistent with the plans approved by the Planning Commission. All construction and site improvements shall be completed according to the approved plans.
- 3. At time of submittal for building permit review, the building plans must show that the existing overhead utility lines will be underground to the nearest utility pole.
- 4. At time of submittal for building permit review, the Conditions of Approval must be printed in full on the cover sheet of the construction plans.
- At the time of submittal for building permit review, Public Works Standard Detail Storm Water Best Management Practices (STRM-BMP) shall be printed in full and incorporated as a sheet into the construction plans. All construction shall be done in accordance with Public Works Standard Detail Storm Water Best Management Practices (STRM-BMP).
- Prior to making any changes to approved plans, modifications must be specifically requested and submitted in writing to the Community Development Department. Any significant changes to the size or exterior appearance of the structure shall require Planning Commission approval.
- 7. Prior to issuance of building permit, a final landscape plan shall be submitted and approved by the Community Development Department. Landscape plans shall reflect the Planning Commission approval and shall identify type, size, and location of species and details of irrigation systems.
- 8. Prior to issuance of building permit, all Planning fees associated with permit # 15-131 shall be paid in full.
- 9. Prior to issuance of building permit, Affordable housing in-lieu fees shall be paid as required to assure compliance with the City of Capitola Affordable (Inclusionary) Housing Ordinance.
- 10. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the applicant must provide documentation of plan approval by the following entities: Santa Cruz County Sanitation Department, Soquel Creek Water District, and Central Fire Protection District.

- 11. Prior to issuance of building permits, a drainage plan, grading, sediment and erosion control plan, shall be submitted to the City and approved by Public Works. The plans shall be in compliance with the requirements specified in Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 13.16 Storm Water Pollution Prevention and Protection.
- 12. Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall submit a stormwater management plan to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works which implements all applicable Post Construction Requirements (PCRs) and Public Works Standard Details, including all standards relating to low impact development (LID).
- 13. Prior to any land disturbance, a pre-site inspection must be conducted by the grading official to verify compliance with the approved erosion and sediment control plan. Erosion and sediment control shall be installed prior to the commencement of construction and maintained throughout the duration of the construction project.
- 14. Prior to any work in the City road right of way, an encroachment permit shall be acquired by the contractor performing the work. No material or equipment storage may be placed in the road right-of-way.
- 15. During construction, any construction activity shall be subject to a construction noise curfew, except when otherwise specified in the building permit issued by the City. Construction noise shall be prohibited between the hours of nine p.m. and seventhirty a.m. on weekdays. Construction noise shall be prohibited on weekends with the exception of Saturday work between nine a.m. and four p.m. or emergency work approved by the building official. §9.12.010B
- 16. Prior to a project final, all cracked or broken driveway approaches, curb, gutter, or sidewalk shall be replaced per the Public Works Standard Details and to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. All replaced driveway approaches, curb, gutter or sidewalk shall meet current Accessibility Standards.
- 17. Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, compliance with all conditions of approval shall be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Community Development Director. Upon evidence of non-compliance with conditions of approval or applicable municipal code provisions, the applicant shall remedy the non-compliance to the satisfaction of the Community Development Director or shall file an application for a permit amendment for Planning Commission consideration. Failure to remedy a non-compliance in a timely manner may result in permit revocation.
- 18. This permit shall expire 24 months from the date of issuance. The applicant shall have an approved building permit and construction underway before this date to prevent permit expiration. Applications for extension may be submitted by the applicant prior to expiration pursuant to Municipal Code section 17.81.160.
- 19. The planning and infrastructure review and approval are transferable with the title to the underlying property so that an approved project may be conveyed or assigned by the applicant to others without losing the approval. The permit cannot be transferred off the site on which the approval was granted.
- 20. Upon receipt of certificate of occupancy, garbage and recycling containers shall be placed out of public view on non-collection days.

21. The applicant was granted a Design Permit and Coastal Development Permit for a new single-family home. In any case where the conditions of the permit have not been or are not complied with, the community development director shall give notice thereof to the permittee, which notice shall specify a reasonable period of time within which to perform said conditions and correct said violation. If the permittee fails to comply with said conditions, or to correct said violation, within the time allowed, notice shall be given to the permittee of intention to revoke such permit at a hearing to be held not less than thirty calendar days after the date of such notice. Following such hearing and, if good cause exists therefore, the Planning Commission may revoke the permit.

FINDINGS

- A. The application, subject to the conditions imposed, secures the purposes of the Zoning Ordinance, General Plan, and Local Coastal Plan.
 - Community Development Staff, the Architectural and Site Review Committee, and the Planning Commission have all reviewed the new single family home. The project conforms to the development standards of the R-1 (Single Family Residence) zoning district. Conditions of approval have been included to carry out the objectives of the Zoning Ordinance, General Plan and Local Coastal Plan.
- B. The application will maintain the character and integrity of the neighborhood. Community Development Staff, the Architectural and Site Review Committee, and the Planning Commission have all reviewed the project. The project conforms to the development standards of the R-1 (Single Family Residence) zoning district. Conditions of approval have been included to ensure that the project maintains the character and integrity of the neighborhood. The proposed new single-family residence compliments the existing single-family homes in the neighborhood.
- C. This project is categorically exempt under Section 15303-A of the California Environmental Quality Act and is subject to Section 753.5 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

This project involves the construction of a new single-family residence in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District. Section 15303-A of the CEQA Guidelines exempts the construction of a new home in a residential zone.

COASTAL FINDINGS

- D. Findings Required. A coastal permit shall be granted only upon adoption of specific written factual findings supporting the conclusion that the proposed development conforms to the certified Local Coastal Program, including, but not limited to:
 - The proposed development conforms to the City's certified Local Coastal Plan (LCP). The specific, factual findings, as per CMC Section 17.46.090 (D) are as follows:
- (D) (2) Require Project-Specific Findings. In determining any requirement for public access, including the type of access and character of use, the city shall evaluate and document in written findings the factors identified in subsections (D) (2) (a) through (e), to the extent applicable. The findings shall explain the basis for the conclusions and decisions of the city and shall be supported by substantial evidence in the record. If an access dedication is required as a condition of

approval, the findings shall explain how the adverse effects which have been identified will be alleviated or mitigated by the dedication. As used in this section, "cumulative effect" means the effect of the individual project in combination with the effects of past projects, other current projects, and probable future projects, including development allowed under applicable planning and zoning.

- (D) (2) (a) Project Effects on Demand for Access and Recreation. Identification of existing and open public access and coastal recreation areas and facilities in the regional and local vicinity of the development. Analysis of the project's effects upon existing public access and recreation opportunities. Analysis of the project's cumulative effects upon the use and capacity of the identified access and recreation opportunities, including public tidelands and beach resources, and upon the capacity of major coastal roads from subdivision, intensification or cumulative build-out. Projection for the anticipated demand and need for increased coastal access and recreation opportunities for the public. Analysis of the contribution of the project's cumulative effects to any such projected increase. Description of the physical characteristics of the site and its proximity to the sea, tideland viewing points, upland recreation areas, and trail linkages to tidelands or recreation areas. Analysis of the importance and potential of the site, because of its location or other characteristics, for creating, preserving or enhancing public access to tidelands or public recreation opportunities;
- The proposed project is located at 4790 Topaz Street. The home is not located in an area with coastal access. The home will not have an effect on public trails or beach access.
- (D) (2) (b) Shoreline Processes. Description of the existing shoreline conditions, including beach profile, accessibility and usability of the beach, history of erosion or accretion, character and sources of sand, wave and sand movement, presence of shoreline protective structures, location of the line of mean high tide during the season when the beach is at its narrowest (generally during the late winter) and the proximity of that line to existing structures, and any other factors which substantially characterize or affect the shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes and beach profile unrelated to the proposed development. Description and analysis of any reasonably likely changes, attributable to the primary and cumulative effects of the project, to: wave and sand movement affecting beaches in the vicinity of the project; the profile of the beach; the character, extent, accessibility and usability of the beach; and any other factors which characterize or affect beaches in the vicinity. Analysis of the effect of any identified changes of the project, alone or in combination with other anticipated changes, will have upon the ability of the public to use public tidelands and shoreline recreation areas;
- The proposed project is located along Topaz Street. No portion of the project is located along the shoreline or beach.
- (D) (2) (c) Historic Public Use. Evidence of use of the site by members of the general public for a continuous five-year period (such use may be seasonal). Evidence of the type and character of use made by the public (vertical, lateral, blufftop, etc., and for passive and/or active recreational use, etc.). Identification of any agency (or person) who has maintained and/or improved the area subject to historic public use and the nature of the maintenance performed and

improvements made. Identification of the record owner of the area historically used by the public and any attempts by the owner to prohibit public use of the area, including the success or failure of those attempts. Description of the potential for adverse impact on public use of the area from the proposed development (including but not limited to, creation of physical or psychological impediments to public use);

- There is not history of public use on the subject lot.
- (D) (2) (d) Physical Obstructions. Description of any physical aspects of the development which block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or other public coastal resources or to see the shoreline;
 - The proposed project is located on private property on Topaz Street. The project will not block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or views to the shoreline.
- (D) (2) (e) Other Adverse Impacts on Access and Recreation. Description of the development's physical proximity and relationship to the shoreline and any public recreation area. Analysis of the extent of which buildings, walls, signs, streets or other aspects of the development, individually or cumulatively, are likely to diminish the public's use of tidelands or lands committed to public recreation. Description of any alteration of the aesthetic, visual or recreational value of public use areas, and of any diminution of the quality or amount of recreational use of public lands which may be attributable to the individual or cumulative effects of the development.
 - The proposed project is located on private property that will not impact access and recreation. The project does not diminish the public's use of tidelands or lands committed to public recreation nor alter the aesthetic, visual or recreational value of public use areas.
- (D) (3) (a-c) Required Findings for Public Access Exceptions. Any determination that one of the exceptions of subsection (F) (2) applies to a development shall be supported by written findings of fact, analysis and conclusions which address all of the following:
- a. The type of access potentially applicable to the site involved (vertical, lateral, bluff top, etc.) and its location in relation to the fragile coastal resource to be protected, the agricultural use, the public safety concern, or the military facility which is the basis for the exception, as applicable;
- b. Unavailability of any mitigating measures to manage the type, character, intensity, hours, season or location of such use so that agricultural resources, fragile coastal resources, public safety, or military security, as applicable, are protected;

- c. Ability of the public, through another reasonable means, to reach the same area of public tidelands as would be made accessible by an access way on the subject land.
 - The project is not requesting a Public Access Exception, therefore these findings do not apply
- (D) (4) (a f) Findings for Management Plan Conditions. Written findings in support of a condition requiring a management plan for regulating the time and manner or character of public access use must address the following factors, as applicable:
- a. Identification and protection of specific habitat values including the reasons supporting the conclusions that such values must be protected by limiting the hours, seasons, or character of public use;
 - The project is located in a residential lot.
- b. Topographic constraints of the development site;
 - The project is located on a relatively flat lot.
- c. Recreational needs of the public;
 - The project does not impact recreational needs of the public.
- d. Rights of privacy of the landowner which could not be mitigated by setting the project back from the access way or otherwise conditioning the development;
- e. The requirements of the possible accepting agency, if an offer of dedication is the mechanism for securing public access;
- f. Feasibility of adequate setbacks, fencing, landscaping, and other methods as part of a management plan to regulate public use.
- (D) (5) Project complies with public access requirements, including submittal of appropriate legal documents to ensure the right of public access whenever, and as, required by the certified land use plan and Section 17.46.010 (coastal access requirements);
 - No legal documents to ensure public access rights are required for the proposed project
- (D) (6) Project complies with visitor-serving and recreational use policies;

SEC. 30222

The use of private lands suitable for visitor-serving commercial recreational facilities designed to enhance public opportunities for coastal recreation shall have priority over private residential, general industrial, or general commercial development, but not over agriculture or coastal-dependent industry.

• The project involves a single family home on a residential lot of record.

SEC. 30223

Upland areas necessary to support coastal recreational uses shall be reserved for such uses, where feasible.

- The project involves a single family home on a residential lot of record.
 - c) Visitor-serving facilities that cannot be feasibly located in existing developed areas shall be located in existing isolated developments or at selected points of attraction for visitors.
- The project involves a single family home on a residential lot of record.
 - (D) (7) Project complies with applicable standards and requirements for provision of public and private parking, pedestrian access, alternate means of transportation and/or traffic improvements:
- The project involves the construction of a single family home. The project complies with applicable standards and requirements for provision for parking, pedestrian access, alternate means of transportation and/or traffic improvements.
- (D) (8) Review of project design, site plan, signing, lighting, landscaping, etc., by the city's architectural and site review committee, and compliance with adopted design guidelines and standards, and review committee recommendations;
- The project complies with the design guidelines and standards established by the Municipal Code.
- (D) (9) Project complies with LCP policies regarding protection of public landmarks, protection or provision of public views; and shall not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline;
- The project will not negatively impact public landmarks and/or public views. The project will not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline.
- (D) (10) Demonstrated availability and adequacy of water and sewer services;
- The project is located on a legal lot of record with available water and sewer services.
- (D) (11) Provisions of minimum water flow rates and fire response times;
- The project is located within close proximity of the Capitola fire department. Water is available at the location.
- (D) (12) Project complies with water and energy conservation standards;
- The project is for a single family home. The GHG emissions for the project are projected at less than significant impact. All water fixtures must comply with the lowflow standards of the Soquel Creek Water District.
- (D) (13) Provision of park dedication, school impact, and other fees as may be required;

- The project will be required to pay appropriate fees prior to building permit issuance.
- (D) (14) Project complies with coastal housing policies, and applicable ordinances including condominium conversion and mobile home ordinances;
- The project does not involve a condo conversion or mobile homes.
- (D) (15) Project complies with natural resource, habitat, and archaeological protection policies;
- Conditions of approval have been included to ensure compliance with established policies.
- (D) (16) Project complies with Monarch butterfly habitat protection policies;
- The project is outside of any identified sensitive habitats, specifically areas where Monarch Butterflies have been encountered, identified and documented.
- (D) (17) Project provides drainage and erosion and control measures to protect marine, stream, and wetland water quality from urban runoff and erosion;
- Conditions of approval have been included to ensure compliance with applicable erosion control measures.
- (D) (18) Geologic/engineering reports have been prepared by qualified professional for projects in seismic areas, geologically unstable areas, or coastal bluffs, and project complies with hazard protection policies including provision of appropriate setbacks and mitigation measures;
- Geologic/engineering reports have been prepared by qualified professionals for this
 project. Conditions of approval have been included to ensure the project applicant
 shall comply with all applicable requirements of the most recent version of the
 California Building Standards Code.
- (D) (19) All other geological, flood and fire hazards are accounted for and mitigated in the project design;
- Conditions of approval have been included to ensure the project complies with geological, flood, and fire hazards and are accounted for and will be mitigated in the project design.
- (D) (20) Project complies with shoreline structure policies;
- The proposed project complies with shoreline structure policies.
- (D) (21) The uses proposed are consistent with the permitted or conditional uses of the zoning district in which the project is located;
- This use is a principally permitted use consistent with the Single Family zoning district.

(D) (22) Conformance to requirements of all other city ordinances, zoning requirements, and project review procedures;

• The project conforms to the requirements of all city ordinances, zoning requirements and project development review and development procedures.

(D) (23) Project complies with the Capitola parking permit program as follows:

The project site is not located within the area of the Capitola parking permit program.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Edward Newman, Commissioner

SECONDER: Susan Westman, Commissioner

AYES: Ortiz, Newman, Welch, Westman

ABSENT: Smith

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. 1210 41ST AVENUE, E-1 #15-125 APN: 034-101-36

Application for a Sign Permit, Design Permit, and Conditional Use Permit to allow a new roof sign, canopy, outdoor seating area, and outdoor display area at the existing New Leaf grocery store at 1210 41st Avenue located in the CC (Community Commercial) Zoning District.

This project is in the Coastal Zone and requires a Coastal Development Permit, which is not appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption

Property Owner: Begonia Plaza, LLC

Representative: Greg Waver, filed 8/14/2015

Planner Cattan presented the staff report and additional images. She noted the store is set well back from 41st Avenue and the intent with the roof sign is to increase visibility. She explained there is no increased parking required for quasi-public seating.

Greg Weaver represented the application. Commissioner Ortiz asked about housing located behind the store and whether the roof sign's illumination will impact it. Mr. Weaver responded that the back panels are solid and the light is only toward the front.

MOTION: Approve a Sign Permit, Design Permit, Conditional Use Permit, and Coastal Development Permit with the following conditions and findings:

CONDITIONS

- 1. The project approval consists of a Sign Permit, Design Permit, Conditional Use Permit (CUP), and a Coastal Development Permit to allow a new roof sign, canopy, quasi-public outdoor seating area, and outdoor display at the existing New Leaf grocery store at 1210 41st Avenue. The proposed project is approved as indicated on the final plans reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission on October 1, 2015, except as modified through conditions imposed by the Planning Commission during the hearing.
- 2. Prior to making any changes to approved plans, modifications must be specifically requested and submitted in writing to the Community Development Department. Any

- significant changes to the size or exterior appearance of the structure shall require Planning Commission approval.
- 3. The outdoor display area is located at the south-west entrance of the building. The applicant is proposing three produce carts within the 14' x 4' area. The 56-square-foot area may be utilized for outdoor display. The area must be clearly delineated by color or materials (pavers/ stamped concrete) to identify the area permitted within the conditional use permit for outdoor display. No goods or materials utilized for the display may be located outside the delineated area. The area may only be expanded with the approval of a modification to the CUP by the Planning Commission.
- **4.** The outdoor display merchandise shall only be the merchandise of New Leaf. The outdoor display area shall be managed and operated by New Leaf. The outdoor display conditional use permit is not transferable between properties or businesses.
- **5.** All outdoor display merchandise shall only be displayed during business hours.
- **6.** The outdoor display shall not obstruct pedestrian, bicycle, vehicular, or emergency services access and shall maintain four (4) feet of unobstructed access provided, however, that the width of the clear area shall in all events meet all applicable state and federal regulations and building codes, including all barrier-free and ADA requirements.
- 7. Outdoor vending machines and drop boxes or donation bins shall be prohibited.
- **8.** The outdoor displays shall not contain any information which would routinely be placed on a business sign located on the building such as the name or type of business, hours of business operation, business logo, brand name information, etc. The outdoor display may include a sign which indicates the price of the display item(s) or simply indicates a "sale" on the item(s) limited to 8.5" x 11".
- 9. All outdoor displays and outdoor seating shall be continuously maintained in a state of order, security, safety and repair. The display surface shall be kept clean, neatly painted, and free of rust, corrosion, protruding tacks, nails and/or wires. Any cracked, broken surfaces, or other unmaintained or damaged portion of a display shall be repaired or replaced or removed within thirty (30) days. No display shall contain obscene, indecent or immoral matter.
- 10. The outdoor displays must be self-supporting, stable and weighted or constructed to withstand being overturned by wind or contact. The display shall not be permanently affixed to any object, structure or the ground including utility poles, light poles, trees or any merchandise or products displayed outside permanent buildings.
- **11.** The outdoor dining seating area is quasi-public and available for use by patrons of the Begonia Shopping Plaza.
- **12.** No amplified entertainment is approved within this permit (#15-125). An Entertainment Permit is required for any music or entertainment that is audible outside of the structure. An Entertainment Permit may be applied for through the Capitola Police Department.

- **13.** The applicant is responsible for maintaining the area directly in front of the business free from litter and/or graffiti.
- **14.** Prior to construction, a building permit shall be secured for any new construction or modifications to structures authorized by this permit. Final building plans shall be consistent with the plans approved by the Planning Commission. All construction and site improvements shall be completed according to the approved plans.
- **15.** At time of submittal for building permit review, the Conditions of Approval must be printed in full on the cover sheet of the construction plans.
- **16.** Prior to issuance of building permit, all Planning fees associated with permit #15-125 shall be paid in full.
- 17. During construction, any construction activity shall be subject to a construction noise curfew, except when otherwise specified in the building permit issued by the City. Construction noise shall be prohibited between the hours of nine p.m. and seven-thirty a.m. on weekdays. Construction noise shall be prohibited on weekends with the exception of Saturday work between nine a.m. and four p.m. or emergency work approved by the building official. §9.12.010B
- 18. Prior to a project final, all cracked or broken driveway approaches, curb, gutter, or sidewalk shall be replaced per the Public Works Standard Details and to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. All replaced driveway approaches, curb, gutter or sidewalk shall meet current Accessibility Standards.
- **19.** This permit shall expire 24 months from the date of issuance. The applicant shall have an approved building permit and construction underway before this date to prevent permit expiration. Applications for extension may be submitted by the applicant prior to expiration pursuant to Municipal Code section 17.81.160.
- **20.** The planning and infrastructure review and approval are transferable with the title to the underlying property so that an approved project may be conveyed or assigned by the applicant to others without losing the approval. The permit cannot be transferred off the site on which the approval was granted.
- 21. The applicant was granted a Conditional Use Permit and Sign Permit to allow outdoor seating, outdoor display, and a roof sign. In any case where the conditions of the permit have not been or are not complied with, the community development director shall give notice thereof to the permittee, which notice shall specify a reasonable period of time within which to perform said conditions and correct said violation. If the permittee fails to comply with said conditions, or to correct said violation, within the time allowed, notice shall be given to the permittee of intention to revoke such permit at a hearing to be held not less than thirty calendar days after the date of such notice. Following such hearing and, if good cause exists therefore, the Planning Commission may revoke the permit.

FINDINGS

A. The application, subject to the conditions imposed, will secure the purposes of the Zoning Ordinance and General Plan.

Community Development Department Staff and the Planning Commission have reviewed the application and determined that the proposed business may be granted a conditional use permit for the outdoor display and outdoor dining area within the CC Zoning District. The

use meets the intent and purpose of the Community Commercial Zoning District. Conditions of approval have been included to ensure that the use is consistent with the Zoning Ordinance and General Plan.

- B. The application will maintain the character and integrity of the neighborhood. Community Development Department Staff and the Planning Commission have reviewed the proposed use and determined that the use complies with the applicable provisions of the Zoning Ordinance and maintains the character and integrity of this area of the City. This area of the City is a mix of commercial and residential uses. Conditions of approval have been included to carry out these objectives.
- C. This project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act and is not subject to Section 753.5 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

The proposed project involves an existing retail area with the additional outdoor display and outdoor dining area. No adverse environmental impacts were discovered during project review by either the Planning Department Staff or the Planning Commission.

COASTAL FINDINGS

- D. Findings Required. A coastal permit shall be granted only upon adoption of specific written factual findings supporting the conclusion that the proposed development conforms to the certified Local Coastal Program, including, but not limited to:
 - The proposed intersection improvements conform to the City's certified Local Coastal Plan (LCP). The specific, factual findings, as per CMC Section 17.46.090 (D) are as follows:
- (D) (2) Require Project-Specific Findings. In determining any requirement for public access, including the type of access and character of use, the city shall evaluate and document in written findings the factors identified in subsections (D) (2) (a) through (e), to the extent applicable. The findings shall explain the basis for the conclusions and decisions of the city and shall be supported by substantial evidence in the record. If an access dedication is required as a condition of approval, the findings shall explain how the adverse effects which have been identified will be alleviated or mitigated by the dedication. As used in this section, "cumulative effect" means the effect of the individual project in combination with the effects of past projects, other current projects, and probable future projects, including development allowed under applicable planning and zoning.
- (D) (2) (a) Project Effects on Demand for Access and Recreation. Identification of existing and open public access and coastal recreation areas and facilities in the regional and local vicinity of the development. Analysis of the project's effects upon existing public access and recreation opportunities. Analysis of the project's cumulative effects upon the use and capacity of the identified access and recreation opportunities, including public tidelands and beach resources, and upon the capacity of major coastal roads from subdivision, intensification or cumulative build-out. Projection for the anticipated demand and need for increased coastal access and recreation opportunities for the public. Analysis of the contribution of the project's cumulative effects to any such projected increase. Description of the physical characteristics of the site and its proximity to the sea, tideland viewing points, upland recreation areas, and trail linkages to tidelands or recreation areas. Analysis of the importance and potential of the site, because of its location or other characteristics, for creating, preserving or enhancing

public access to tidelands or public recreation opportunities;

- The proposed commercial use will not impact pedestrian safety to coastal access. The project will not have an impact on demand for access or recreation.
- (D) (2) (b) Shoreline Processes. Description of the existing shoreline conditions, including beach profile, accessibility and usability of the beach, history of erosion or accretion, character and sources of sand, wave and sand movement, presence of shoreline protective structures, location of the line of mean high tide during the season when the beach is at its narrowest (generally during the late winter) and the proximity of that line to existing structures, and any other factors which substantially characterize or affect the shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes and beach profile unrelated to the proposed development. Description and analysis of any reasonably likely changes, attributable to the primary and cumulative effects of the project, to: wave and sand movement affecting beaches in the vicinity of the project; the profile of the beach; the character, extent, accessibility and usability of the beach; and any other factors which characterize or affect beaches in the vicinity. Analysis of the effect of any identified changes of the project, alone or in combination with other anticipated changes, will have upon the ability of the public to use public tidelands and shoreline recreation areas:
- No portion of the project is located along the shoreline or beach.
- (D) (2) (c) Historic Public Use. Evidence of use of the site by members of the general public for a continuous five-year period (such use may be seasonal). Evidence of the type and character of use made by the public (vertical, lateral, blufftop, etc., and for passive and/or active recreational use, etc.). Identification of any agency (or person) who has maintained and/or improved the area subject to historic public use and the nature of the maintenance performed and improvements made. Identification of the record owner of the area historically used by the public and any attempts by the owner to prohibit public use of the area, including the success or failure of those attempts. Description of the potential for adverse impact on public use of the area from the proposed development (including but not limited to, creation of physical or psychological impediments to public use);
- There are no adverse impacts on public use.
- (D) (2) (d) Physical Obstructions. Description of any physical aspects of the development which block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or other public coastal resources or to see the shoreline:
- The project will not block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or views to the shoreline.
- (D) (2) (e) Other Adverse Impacts on Access and Recreation. Description of the development's physical proximity and relationship to the shoreline and any public recreation area. Analysis of the extent of which buildings, walls, signs, streets or other aspects of the development, individually or cumulatively, are likely to diminish the

public's use of tidelands or lands committed to public recreation. Description of any alteration of the aesthetic, visual or recreational value of public use areas, and of any diminution of the quality or amount of recreational use of public lands which may be attributable to the individual or cumulative effects of the development.

- The proposed project will not impact access and recreation. The project does not diminish the public's use of tidelands or lands committed to public recreation nor alter the aesthetic, visual or recreational value of public use areas.
- (D) (3) (a c) Required Findings for Public Access Exceptions. Any determination that one of the exceptions of subsection (F) (2) applies to a development shall be supported by written findings of fact, analysis and conclusions which address all of the following:
- a. The type of access potentially applicable to the site involved (vertical, lateral, bluff top, etc.) and its location in relation to the fragile coastal resource to be protected, the agricultural use, the public safety concern, or the military facility which is the basis for the exception, as applicable;
- b. Unavailability of any mitigating measures to manage the type, character, intensity, hours, season or location of such use so that agricultural resources, fragile coastal resources, public safety, or military security, as applicable, are protected;
- c. Ability of the public, through another reasonable means, to reach the same area of public tidelands as would be made accessible by an access way on the subject land.
- The project is not requesting a Public Access Exception, therefore these findings do not apply
- (D) (4) (a f) Findings for Management Plan Conditions. Written findings in support of a condition requiring a management plan for regulating the time and manner or character of public access use must address the following factors, as applicable:
- a. Identification and protection of specific habitat values including the reasons supporting the conclusions that such values must be protected by limiting the hours, seasons, or character of public use;
- The project is located within an existing commercial building that does not have sensitive habitat areas.
- b. Topographic constraints of the development site;
- The project is located on a flat area of land.
- c. Recreational needs of the public;
- The project does not impact recreational needs of the public.
- d. Rights of privacy of the landowner which could not be mitigated by setting the project back from the access way or otherwise conditioning the development;

- e. The requirements of the possible accepting agency, if an offer of dedication is the mechanism for securing public access;
- f. Feasibility of adequate setbacks, fencing, landscaping, and other methods as part of a management plan to regulate public use.
- (D) (5) Project complies with public access requirements, including submittal of appropriate legal documents to ensure the right of public access whenever, and as, required by the certified land use plan and Section 17.46.010 (coastal access requirements);
- No legal documents to ensure public access rights are required for the proposed project
- (D) (6) Project complies with visitor-serving and recreational use policies;

SEC. 30222

The use of private lands suitable for visitor-serving commercial recreational facilities designed to enhance public opportunities for coastal recreation shall have priority over private residential, general industrial, or general commercial development, but not over agriculture or coastal-dependent industry.

The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building.

SEC. 30223

Upland areas necessary to support coastal recreational uses shall be reserved for such uses, where feasible.

- The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building.
- c) Visitor-serving facilities that cannot be feasibly located in existing developed areas shall be located in existing isolated developments or at selected points of attraction for visitors.
- The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building...
- (D) (7) Project complies with applicable standards and requirements for provision of public and private parking, pedestrian access, alternate means of transportation and/or traffic improvements;
- The project complies with applicable standards and requirements for provision for parking, pedestrian access, alternate means of transportation and/or traffic improvements.
- (D) (8) Review of project design, site plan, signing, lighting, landscaping, etc., by the city's architectural and site review committee, and compliance with adopted design guidelines and standards, and review committee recommendations;
- The project complies with the design guidelines and standards established by the Municipal Code.
- (D) (9) Project complies with LCP policies regarding protection of public landmarks, protection or provision of public views; and shall not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline;

• The project will not negatively impact public landmarks and/or public views. The project will not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline.

(D) (10) Demonstrated availability and adequacy of water and sewer services;

The location has existing water and sewer services.

(D) (11) Provisions of minimum water flow rates and fire response times;

• The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building. Water is available at the location.

(D) (12) Project complies with water and energy conservation standards;

The project complies with water and energy conservation standards.

(D) (13) Provision of park dedication, school impact, and other fees as may be required;

The project will be required to pay appropriate fees prior to building permit issuance.

(D) (14) Project complies with coastal housing policies, and applicable ordinances including condominium conversion and mobile home ordinances;

The project does not involve a condo conversion or mobile homes.

(D) (15) Project complies with natural resource, habitat, and archaeological protection policies;

• The project complies with natural resource, habitat, and archaeological protection policies.

(D) (16) Project complies with Monarch butterfly habitat protection policies;

• The project is outside of any identified sensitive habitats, specifically areas where Monarch Butterflies have been encountered, identified and documented.

(D) (17) Project provides drainage and erosion and control measures to protect marine, stream, and wetland water quality from urban runoff and erosion;

The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building.

(D) (18) Geologic/engineering reports have been prepared by qualified professional for projects in seismic areas, geologically unstable areas, or coastal bluffs, and project complies with hazard protection policies including provision of appropriate setbacks and mitigation measures:

The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building.

(D) (19) All other geological, flood and fire hazards are accounted for and mitigated in the project design;

The project involves a conditional use within an existing commercial building.

(D) (20) Project complies with shoreline structure policies;

The proposed project is not located along a shoreline.

(D) (21) The uses proposed are consistent with the permitted or conditional uses of the zoning district in which the project is located:

• This use is a conditional use consistent with the Community Commercial zoning district.

(D) (22) Conformance to requirements of all other city ordinances, zoning requirements, and project review procedures;

• The project conforms to the requirements of all city ordinances, zoning requirements and project development review and development procedures.

(D) (23) Project complies with the Capitola parking permit program as follows:

Parking demand is not increased within the proposal.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Gayle Ortiz, Commissioner

SECONDER: Susan Westman, Commissioner

AYES: Ortiz, Newman, Welch, Westman

ABSENT: Smith

B. Rispin Park Project 15-151 035-371-01

Conditional Use Permit and Design Permit for a public park located in the AR/VS/R (Automatic Review/Visitor Serving/Residential) Zoning District.

This project requires a Coastal Development Permit, which is appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

Environmental Determination: EIR Addendum

Property Owner: City of Capitola Representative: Steve Jesberg

Community Development Director Rich Grunow presented the staff report and reviewed the public process leading to the application. He outlined the design options for the existing perimeter wall and proposed amphitheater locations. City Council will make the final design decisions when it authorizes a bid contract. The proposed project will have no impact on the mansion's historic designation.

Designer Mike Arnone walked the commission through the project plan, which focuses on recreating the historic garden elements and adding some public use features. Changes include lining up the entry with the crosswalk on Wharf Road. The historic fountain will be supplied by rain water and the sundial recreated from photographs. For the wall along Wharf Road, the existing wood doorway will be removed to create an open arch and preserved as a

relic. Earlier guidance from City Council favored altering the wall to improve visibility, which includes stepping it down from the arch before beginning the open-iron portion of the wall. Inside the park, wrought iron fencing with gates will enclosed the lower portion of the mansion for locking at night.

The proposed amphitheater would be a small venue for speakers, music, or docent programs. Other features include a children's play area using natural and recovered materials and painted silhouettes in the mansion's windows.

Commissioner Newman asked about the seating total for the amphitheater options. Mr. Arnone estimated 30 to 60.

Peter Pethoe distributed information about hostels, which would be permitted in a public facility, and gave an overview of their popularity.

Steve Goodman, property owner across from the Rispin, praised the project. He noted an ongoing concern about trespassing and vandalism and asked for sufficient security, lighting, and/or cameras to discourage these actions.

Commissioner Ortiz said she's been working for decades on the Rispin and is very enthusiastic about this project. She asked if the grant would cover all costs and was told additional city funding would be required. She feels public use will reduce the unappealing incidents.

Commissioner Westman asked about conditions allowing events until 10 p.m. and amplified music. She suggested a condition to limit length of events to four hours given the impact of noise on neighbors. Commissioner Ortiz concurred, noting how sound carries along the creek, and suggested City Council may lower the decibel level. Commissioner Newman noted that could be addressed within event permits if there are complaints. Commissioner Westman prefers location option one or two for the amphitheater.

Commissioner Newman praised the project, saying it will create a terrific public asset. He is enthusiastic about the combination of preserving and sharing history and allowing public access and use.

Commissioner Welch agreed the project is outstanding. He also prefers option one for the amphitheater location.

MOTION: Adopt the EIR Addendum and approve a Conditional Use Permit, Design Permit, and Coastal Development Permit with the following conditions and findings:

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. The project approval consists of a public park located on the Rispin Mansion property. The proposed use is approved as conditioned by the Planning Commission on October 1, 2015, including conditions imposed by the Planning Commission during the hearing.
- 2. Prior to construction, a building permit shall be secured for any new construction or modifications to structures authorized by this permit. Final building plans shall be consistent with the plans approved by the Planning Commission. All construction and site improvements shall be completed according to the approved plans.
- **3.** At time of submittal for building permit review, the Conditions of Approval must be printed in full on the cover sheet of the construction plans.

- **4.** At the time of submittal for building permit review, Public Works Standard Detail Storm Water Best Management Practices (STRM-BMP) shall be printed in full and incorporated as a sheet into the construction plans. All construction shall be done in accordance with Public Works Standard Detail Storm Water Best Management Practices (STRM-BMP).
- **5.** Prior to making any changes to approved plans, modifications must be specifically requested and submitted in writing to the Community Development Department. Any changes must be consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.
- **6.** Prior to issuance of building permit, a final landscape plan shall be submitted and approved by the Community Development Department. Landscape plans shall reflect the Planning Commission approval and shall identify type, size, and location of species and details of irrigation systems. Native and/or drought tolerant species are recommended.

Aesthetics/Visual Quality

- **7.** All site improvements, including signs, fences, walls, entry gates, and other park features must be designed consistent with the character of the Mansion and the historic district.
- **8.** Lighting must be designed to minimize off-site glare. The type, height, and spacing of lighting shall be approved by the City. Lighting must be directed downward and away from Soquel Creek and residences to the east. Lights must be of minimum intensity necessary for safety lighting. Light standards shall be a maximum of 15 feet high.

Air Quality

- **9.** Require implementation of construction practices to minimize exposed surfaces and generation of dust that include the following measures, at a minimum:
 - Exposed earth surfaces shall be watered during clearing, excavation, grading, and construction activities. All construction contracts shall require watering in late morning and at the end of the day.
 - Grading and other earthmoving shall be prohibited during high wind.
 - Cover all inactive storage piles.
 - Maintain at least 2 feet of freeboard for all loaded haul trucks.
 - Throughout excavation activity, haul trucks shall use tarpaulins or other effective covers at all times for off-site transport.
 - Install wheel washers at the entrance to construction sites for all exiting trucks.
 - Sweep streets if visible soil material is carried out from the construction site.
 - Upon completion of construction, measures shall be taken to reduce wind erosion.
 - Revegetation shall be completed as soon as possible.
 - Post a publicly visible sign that specifies the telephone number and person to contact regarding dust complaints and who shall respond to such complaints, and take corrective action within 48 hours. The phone number of the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District shall be visible to ensure compliance with Rule 402 (nuisance).

Biological Resources

- 10. Pre-construction surveys for nesting raptors shall be performed by a qualified biologist to be retained by the applicant. If raptor nests are located during pre construction surveys, a 300-foot buffer shall be established around each nest for the duration of the breeding season (August 1st, or until such time as the young are fully fledged as determined by a qualified biologist in coordination with the California Department of Fish and Game) to prevent nest harassment and brood mortality. Every effort shall be made to avoid removal of, or impact to, known raptor nests within project boundaries. If trees known to support raptor nests cannot be avoided, limbing or removal of these trees may only occur during the non-breeding season.
- 11. The applicant shall take proper measures to avoid damage to oaks, cypress and redwood trees. Specifically, grading or construction shall not occur within 15 feet of the base of all oak, cypress and redwood trees unless performed under the supervision of a qualified onsite arborist.
- 12. Prior to commencement of site preparation, a certified arborist shall be retained to review the construction plans and to provide recommendations to protect trees and their root zones from construction activities. Trees which are removed or mortally damaged during site preparation and construction activities shall be replaced with appropriate native species at a minimum 2:1 ratio.
- **13.** Landscape and ground maintenance workers must be informed of conservation issues regarding overwintering monarch habitat. Leaf blowers shall not be used in monarch habitat areas or outside designated park areas.
- **14.** Site preparation (e.g., tree trimming, tree removal, grading, excavation, and construction) on the project site shall not occur when monarchs are potentially present (October 1 through February 28) unless a qualified monarch biologist determines that monarchs are not present or that activities would not disturb overwintering populations.
- 15. Use of biological insecticides (including bacteria, viruses, protozoans and nematodes) that are effective in the control of all lepidoptera shall be prohibited throughout the habitat. Chemical insecticides shall not be applied during the overwintering season (October 1 through February 28). Use of chemical insecticide agents during the non-roosting season may be done only if approved by the consulting butterfly expert. Grounds maintenance workers shall be made aware of monarch habitat conservation requirements as they pertain to grounds management.
- **16.** The following measures, at a minimum, shall be implemented during the time when monarchs are potentially present in the habitat (October 1 through February 28, or as determined by the monarch biologist):
 - All pedestrians/visitors/guests shall be kept outside of the monarch roosting area by monarch biologist approved fencing.
 - Outdoor events will be limited to designated portions of the Mansion property (i.e., amphitheater and developed park areas) to avoid roosting area disruption.
 - Outside night-lighting shall utilize low wattage bulbs and fixtures that are mounted close to ground level and directed away from the roosts. In addition, lighting shall not be directed toward Soquel Creek or on-site riparian vegetation.

- 17. The removal of any riparian or upland trees on the Rispin site that provide shade to Soquel Creek shall not be allowed unless immediately replaced. The amount of shading within the creek currently supplied by Rispin property trees shall be established as a baseline, and any actions reducing this percentage shall require management to improve stream shading by a City approved forester/botanist. Such management shall include planting of native riparian tree species along the creek (i.e. big-leaf maple, sycamore, alder, cottonwood, box elder, willow), to provide shade and aid in cooling of the creek, and to enhance habitat.
- **18.** Protect the eucalyptus grove and patches of redwood trees as valuable sources of shade to the stream, erosion prevention on the steep slope, and as monarch butterfly habitat.
- 19. The addition of impermeable surfaces at the Rispin Mansion site shall be accompanied with an effective drainage plan. This drainage plan shall ensure the capture of any increase in runoff on the bench (as much as is feasible), without additional overland movement of water down the steep slope toward the creek (to minimize erosion and sedimentation, and the introduction of pollutants).
- **20.** Replace the fence above the retaining wall of the Rispin Mansion to exclude people from accessing the creek through created footpaths.
- **21.** To avoid disturbance to steelhead (and other aquatic or semi-aquatic wildlife), nighttime lighting of the riparian habitat and/or Soquel Creek shall not be allowed. On-site lighting required for Mansion grounds shall not be oriented towards the creek.

Cultural Resources

- 22. In the event that any archaeological or paleontological resources or human remains are discovered during grading or construction anywhere on the site, work shall be ceased within 150 feet of the find until it can be evaluated by a qualified professional archaeologist. If the find is determined to be significant, appropriate mitigation measures shall be formulated and implemented in accordance with CEQA Section 15064.5. All identified archaeological sites should be evaluated using the California Register of Historical Resources criteria, established by the State Office of Historic Preservation. Any discoveries shall be reported to the City Planning Director.
- **23.** In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains in any location other than a dedicated cemetery, the following steps shall be taken:
 - 1) There shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains until:
 - A. The coroner of the county in which the remains are discovered must be contacted to determine that no investigation of the cause of death is required, and
 - B. If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American:
 - 1. The coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission within 24 hours.
 - The Native American Heritage Commission shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the most likely descendent from the deceased Native American.
 - 3. The most likely descendent may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work, for means

- of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.98, or
- 2) Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his authorized representative shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity on the property in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance.
 - A. The Native American Heritage Commission is unable to identify a most likely descendent or the most likely descendent failed to make a recommendation within 24 hours after being notified by the Commission.
 - B. The descendent identified fails to make a recommendation; or
 - C. The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendent, and the mediation by the Native American Heritage Commission fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.

Noise

- 24. Construction activity shall be subject to a noise curfew, except when otherwise specified in the building permit issued by the City. Construction noise shall be prohibited between the hours of nine p.m. and seven-thirty a.m. on weekdays. Construction noise shall be prohibited on weekends with the exception of Saturday work between nine a.m. and four p.m. or emergency work approved by the building official. §9.12.010B
- **25.** Events and entertainment provided on the property shall meet the following conditions:
 - Hours of operation for events and live entertainment must be restricted to 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (consistent with Chapter 9.12 of the Municipal Code, the Noise Ordinance).
 - Hours of operation for amplified outdoor music use or microphones shall be restricted to 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
 - Events shall be limited to four hours or less per day.
- **26.** The City shall require that the construction contractor implement noise control measures (Best Construction Management Practices) during project construction, as outlined below:
 - Require use of construction equipment and haul trucks with noise reduction devices, such as mufflers, that are in good condition and operating within manufacturers' specifications.
 - Require selection of quieter equipment (e.g., gas or electric equipment rather than diesel-powered equipment), proper maintenance in accordance with manufacturers' specifications, and fitting of noise-generating equipment with mufflers or engine enclosure panels, as appropriate.
 - Prohibit vehicles and other gas or diesel-powered equipment from unnecessary warming up, idling, and engine revving when equipment is not in use and encourage good maintenance practices and lubrication procedures to reduce noise.
 - Construct temporary plywood barriers around particularly noisy equipment or activities at appropriate heights.
 - Locate stationary noise sources, when feasible, away from residential areas and perform functions such as concrete mixing and equipment repair off-site.

Public Services

- 27. The applicant shall apply for water connection approval ("will serve" letter) from the SCWD.
- 28. The number and size of all water meters shall be determined by SCWD.
- **29.** The final design shall satisfy all conditions for water conservation required by SCWD at the time of application for service (as detailed in their water efficiency checklist package), including the following:
 - Plans for a water efficient landscape and irrigation system that meet SCWD's conservation requirements;
 - All interior plumbing fixtures shall be low-flow and all applicant-installed water-using appliances (e.g., dishwashers, clothes washers, etc.) shall have the EPA Energy Star label;
 - Inspection by SCWD staff of the completed project for compliance with all conservation requirements prior to commencing water service.

Stormwater & Drainage

30. The owner/developer/applicant shall obtain coverage under the General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Construction Activity Construction General Permit Order 2009-0009-DWQ. Construction activity subject to this permit includes clearing, grading and disturbances to the ground such as stockpiling, or excavation.

The Construction General Permit requires the development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). The SWPPP shall be developed and amended or revised by a Qualified SWPPP Developer (QSD). The SWPPP shall be designed to address the following objectives:

- All pollutants and their sources, including sources of sediment associated with construction, construction site erosion and all other activities associated with construction activity are controlled;
- All storm water discharges are identified and either eliminated, controlled, or treated:
- Site Best Management Practices (BMPs) are effective and result in the reduction or elimination of pollutants in storm water discharges and authorized non-storm water discharges from construction activity to the BAT/BCT(best available technology/best conventional technology) standard;
- Calculations and design details as well as BMP controls for site run-on are complete and correct, and;
- Stabilization BMPs installed to reduce or eliminate pollutants after construction are completed. To demonstrate compliance with requirements of this General Permit, the QSD shall include information in the SWPPP that supports the conclusions, selections, use and maintenance of BMPs. Section XIV of the Construction General Permit describes the elements that must be contained in the SWPPP.
- **31.** Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall submit a stormwater management plan to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works which implements all applicable Post Construction Requirements (PCRs) and Public Works Standard Details, including all standards relating to low impact development (LID). (Disconnect direct discharge of

- drainage). The plans shall be in compliance with the requirements specified in Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 13.16 Storm Water Pollution Prevention and Protection.
- **32.** Grading during the rainy season (October 1 April 30) shall be restricted to the approval, installation, and maintenance of an erosion and sediment control plan.
- **33.** Graded slopes shall be revegetated with appropriate native plant species immediately following completion of grading.
- **34.** The use of fertilizers and herbicides applied to the Rispin landscaping and gardens shall be minimized to the extent possible. Utilize slow-release chemical fertilizers and herbicides and avoid application prior to scheduled irrigation. The use of fertilizers and herbicides on-site must not conflict with the relevant mitigation intended to protect monarch butterflies.
- **35.** The City of Capitola shall continue its efforts to implement the Soquel Creek Lagoon Enhancement project, and work with the County to ensure that other storm drain and water quality improvements are implemented to reduce cumulative watershed impacts.

FINDINGS

A. The application, subject to the conditions imposed, will secure the purposes of the Zoning Ordinance and General Plan.

The Planning Commission required conditions with respect to construction and operation of the project to ensure that the proposed public park does not have a negative impact on the historic character of the property or on surrounding residential properties to secure the general purposes of the Zoning Ordinance and General Plan.

- B. The application will maintain the character and integrity of the neighborhood.

 The Planning Commission reviewed the application and imposed conditions to preserve the character and identity of the neighborhood. Proposed park improvements would be consistent with existing community character.
- C. An Addendum to a previously certified Environmental Impact Report has been prepared in accordance with CEQA §15163

The proposed project would not result in any new or more severe environmental impacts than what was previously evaluated and reported in the certified Rispin Mansion EIR (September, 2004) as documented in the attached EIR Addendum for the Rispin Park project.

COASTAL FINDINGS

- D. Findings Required. A coastal permit shall be granted only upon adoption of specific written factual findings supporting the conclusion that the proposed development conforms to the certified Local Coastal Program, including, but not limited to:
 - The proposed development conforms to the City's certified Local Coastal Plan (LCP). The specific, factual findings, as per CMC Section 17.46.090 (D) are as follows:

- (D) (2) Require Project-Specific Findings. In determining any requirement for public access, including the type of access and character of use, the city shall evaluate and document in written findings the factors identified in subsections (D) (2) (a) through (e), to the extent applicable. The findings shall explain the basis for the conclusions and decisions of the city and shall be supported by substantial evidence in the record. If an access dedication is required as a condition of approval, the findings shall explain how the adverse effects which have been identified will be alleviated or mitigated by the dedication. As used in this section, "cumulative effect" means the effect of the individual project in combination with the effects of past projects, other current projects, and probable future projects, including development allowed under applicable planning and zoning.
- (D) (2) (a) Project Effects on Demand for Access and Recreation. Identification of existing and open public access and coastal recreation areas and facilities in the regional and local vicinity of the development. Analysis of the project's effects upon existing public access and recreation opportunities. Analysis of the project's cumulative effects upon the use and capacity of the identified access and recreation opportunities, including public tidelands and beach resources, and upon the capacity of major coastal roads from subdivision, intensification or cumulative build-out. Projection for the anticipated demand and need for increased coastal access and recreation opportunities for the public. Analysis of the contribution of the project's cumulative effects to any such projected increase. Description of the physical characteristics of the site and its proximity to the sea, tideland viewing points, upland recreation areas, and trail linkages to tidelands or recreation areas. Analysis of the importance and potential of the site, because of its location or other characteristics, for creating, preserving or enhancing public access to tidelands or public recreation opportunities;
- The project would involve restoration of the historic Rispin Mansion grounds and development of an approximately .86-acre public park. The proposed project would provide an improved visitor-serving amenity in the coastal zone and would not impede access to the coast.
- (D) (2) (b) Shoreline Processes. Description of the existing shoreline conditions, including beach profile, accessibility and usability of the beach, history of erosion or accretion, character and sources of sand, wave and sand movement, presence of shoreline protective structures, location of the line of mean high tide during the season when the beach is at its narrowest (generally during the late winter) and the proximity of that line to existing structures, and any other factors which substantially characterize or affect the shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes at the site. Identification of anticipated changes to shoreline processes and beach profile unrelated to the proposed development. Description and analysis of any reasonably likely changes, attributable to the primary and cumulative effects of the project, to: wave and sand movement affecting beaches in the vicinity of the project; the profile of the beach; the character, extent, accessibility and usability of the beach; and any other factors which characterize or affect beaches in the vicinity. Analysis of the effect of any identified changes of the project, alone or in combination with other anticipated changes, will have upon the ability of the public to use public tidelands and shoreline recreation areas;

- The proposed project is located along Wharf Road. No portion of the project is located along the shoreline or beach.
- (D) (2) (c) Historic Public Use. Evidence of use of the site by members of the general public for a continuous five-year period (such use may be seasonal). Evidence of the type and character of use made by the public (vertical, lateral, blufftop, etc., and for passive and/or active recreational use, etc.). Identification of any agency (or person) who has maintained and/or improved the area subject to historic public use and the nature of the maintenance performed and improvements made. Identification of the record owner of the area historically used by the public and any attempts by the owner to prohibit public use of the area, including the success or failure of those attempts. Description of the potential for adverse impact on public use of the area from the proposed development (including but not limited to, creation of physical or psychological impediments to public use);
- The proposed project would restore and improve an existing open space area which
 is accessible to the public. The project would enhance visitor-serving opportunities
 in the coastal zone.
- (E) (2) (d) Physical Obstructions. Description of any physical aspects of the development which block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or other public coastal resources or to see the shoreline;
- The property would remain open to the public as a public park. The project would not block or impede the ability of the public to get to or along the tidelands, public recreation areas, or views to the shoreline.
- (D) (2) (e) Other Adverse Impacts on Access and Recreation. Description of the development's physical proximity and relationship to the shoreline and any public recreation area. Analysis of the extent of which buildings, walls, signs, streets or other aspects of the development, individually or cumulatively, are likely to diminish the public's use of tidelands or lands committed to public recreation. Description of any alteration of the aesthetic, visual or recreational value of public use areas, and of any diminution of the quality or amount of recreational use of public lands which may be attributable to the individual or cumulative effects of the development.
- The proposed project would enhance recreational opportunities in the coastal zone.
- (D) (3) (a c) Required Findings for Public Access Exceptions. Any determination that one of the exceptions of subsection (F) (2) applies to a development shall be supported by written findings of fact, analysis and conclusions which address all of the following:

- a. The type of access potentially applicable to the site involved (vertical, lateral, bluff top, etc.) and its location in relation to the fragile coastal resource to be protected, the agricultural use, the public safety concern, or the military facility which is the basis for the exception, as applicable;
- b. Unavailability of any mitigating measures to manage the type, character, intensity, hours, season or location of such use so that agricultural resources, fragile coastal resources, public safety, or military security, as applicable, are protected;
- c. Ability of the public, through another reasonable means, to reach the same area of public tidelands as would be made accessible by an access way on the subject land.
- The project is not requesting a Public Access Exception, therefore these findings do not apply
- (D) (4) (a f) Findings for Management Plan Conditions. Written findings in support of a condition requiring a management plan for regulating the time and manner or character of public access use must address the following factors, as applicable:
- a. Identification and protection of specific habitat values including the reasons supporting the conclusions that such values must be protected by limiting the hours, seasons, or character of public use;
- The project is located near the Soquel Creek corridor and designated monarch butterfly habitat areas. The project has been conditioned to avoid/minimize impacts to the creek and habitat areas. Appropriate mitigation measures have been applied to protect sensitive biological resources.
- b. Topographic constraints of the development site;
- The project site has gentle slopes which will remain. Minor grading (approximately 380 cubic yards) will be required to construct ADA compliant pathways.
- c. Recreational needs of the public;
- The project would enhance recreational opportunities in the coastal zone.
- d. Rights of privacy of the landowner which could not be mitigated by setting the project back from the access way or otherwise conditioning the development;
- The project would enhance public access through the park. No buildings are proposed which could require setbacks.
- e. The requirements of the possible accepting agency, if an offer of dedication is the mechanism for securing public access;
- The property is publicly owned; no offers of dedication are necessary.
- f. Feasibility of adequate setbacks, fencing, landscaping, and other methods as part of a management plan to regulate public use.
- The project is intended to enhance public use and access. Appropriate fencing and

landscaping is included in the project to prevent trespass into sensitive areas while allowing visitors to enjoy useable open space and recreational amenities.

- (D) (5) Project complies with public access requirements, including submittal of appropriate legal documents to ensure the right of public access whenever, and as, required by the certified land use plan and Section 17.46.010 (coastal access requirements);
- The proposed park is located on city-owned property and would be open to the public.
- (D) (6) Project complies with visitor-serving and recreational use policies:
- The project involves improvements to an existing public park area which will enhance visitor-serving opportunities.

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The use of private lands suitable for visitor-serving commercial recreational facilities designed to enhance public opportunities for coastal recreation shall have priority over private residential, general industrial, or general commercial development, but not over agriculture or coastal-dependent industry.

• The proposed public park would provide improved visitor-serving opportunities in the coastal zone and would not preclude future commercial development of the mansion.

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Upland areas necessary to support coastal recreational uses shall be reserved for such uses, where feasible.

- The proposed park would provide improved coastal recreational opportunities.
- c) Visitor-serving facilities that cannot be feasibly located in existing developed areas shall be located in existing isolated developments or at selected points of attraction for visitors.
- The proposed park would provide improved visitor-serving opportunities in the coastal zone.
- (D) (7) Project complies with applicable standards and requirements for provision of public and private parking, pedestrian access, alternate means of transportation and/or traffic improvements;
- The project site has existing pedestrian access from Wharf Road and the Nob Hill shopping center. Parking is available at the City library, along Wharf Road, and in the shopping center parking lot.
- (D) (8) Review of project design, site plan, signing, lighting, landscaping, etc., by the city's architectural and site review committee, and compliance with adopted design guidelines and standards, and review committee recommendations;

- The project complies with the design guidelines and standards established by the Municipal Code.
- (D) (9) Project complies with LCP policies regarding protection of public landmarks, protection or provision of public views; and shall not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline;
- The project will not negatively impact public landmarks and/or public views. The project will not block or detract from public views to and along Capitola's shoreline.
- (D) (10) Demonstrated availability and adequacy of water and sewer services;
- The project is located on a legal lot of record with available water and sewer services.
- (D) (11) Provisions of minimum water flow rates and fire response times;
- The project is located within close proximity of the Capitola fire department. Water is available at the location.
- (D) (12) Project complies with water and energy conservation standards;
- The proposed public park would use drought-tolerant landscaping and energy
 efficient security lighting. Water use would be limited to a new drinking fountain and
 minimal irrigation to establish and maintain landscaping. All water use shall be
 subject to water conservation standards established by the City and Soquel Creek
 Water District.
- (D) (13) Provision of park dedication, school impact, and other fees as may be required;
- The project will be required to pay appropriate fees prior to building permit issuance.
- (D) (14) Project complies with coastal housing policies, and applicable ordinances including condominium conversion and mobile home ordinances;
- The project does not involve a condo conversion or mobile homes.
- (D) (15) Project complies with natural resource, habitat, and archaeological protection policies;
- Conditions of approval and mitigation measures have been included to ensure compliance with established policies.
- (D) (16) Project complies with Monarch butterfly habitat protection policies;
- The project has been conditioned to avoid, minimize, and mitigate potential impacts to monarch butterfly habitat as documented in an Addendum to a previously certified Environmental Impact Report.

- (D) (17) Project provides drainage and erosion and control measures to protect marine, stream, and wetland water quality from urban runoff and erosion;
- Conditions of approval have been included to ensure compliance with applicable erosion control measures.
- (D) (18) Geologic/engineering reports have been prepared by qualified professional for projects in seismic areas, geologically unstable areas, or coastal bluffs, and project complies with hazard protection policies including provision of appropriate setbacks and mitigation measures;
- The proposed park project involves minimal grading to construct ADA compliant pathways. No buildings or habitable structures are proposed and the site is not located near a coastal bluff.
- (D) (19) All other geological, flood and fire hazards are accounted for and mitigated in the project design;
- The project does not include buildings or habitable structures. The site is not located in a high risk fire zone or in a flood way or flood plain.
- (D) (20) Project complies with shoreline structure policies;
- The proposed project is not located along or near the shoreline.
- (D) (21) The uses proposed are consistent with the permitted or conditional uses of the zoning district in which the project is located;
- This use is a conditional use consistent with the AR/VS/R zoning district.
- (D) (22) Conformance to requirements of all other city ordinances, zoning requirements, and project review procedures;
- The project conforms to the requirements of all city ordinances, zoning requirements and project development review and development procedures.
- (D) (23) Project complies with the Capitola parking permit program as follows:
- The project site is located outside the Capitola residential parking permit program.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Edward Newman, Commissioner

SECONDER: Gayle Ortiz, Commissioner

AYES: Ortiz, Newman, Welch, Westman

ABSENT: Smith

C. Consideration of the Draft Climate Action Plan for City Council Adoption

Planning Commission recommendation for adoption of the proposed Climate Action Plan.

Environmental Determination: Addendum to the General Plan EIR

Applicant: City of Capitola Representative: Rich Grunow

Director Grunow presented an overview of the plan and noted there were few changes since the draft came before the commission to initiate public comment. Reductions of greenhouse gases to meet state targets require regional efforts and the City is projected to meet these targets through the next 20 years. Reduction methods include measures in transportation, energy, water, and solid waste. The plan is written to provide flexibility for implementation with a menu of options to achieve goals. The final draft incorporated suggestions from the Commission on the Environment and added a list of acronyms. One request that was not included is a point-of-sale retrofit requirement.

Commissioner Ortiz asked what type of oversight there is and was told there is no state auditing process.

Commissioner Westman likes the five-year update schedule to address new possibilities.

Commissioner Newman said he hopes the enhancement of the green building program does not mean more regulations placed on those wanting to work on their property but will instead promote education, awareness, and encouragement. He favors regional standards for consistency.

RESULT: RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Susan Westman, Commissioner
SECONDER: Gayle Ortiz, Commissioner
AYES: Ortiz, Newman, Welch, Westman

ABSENT: Smith

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Grunow noted the recently approved Orchard Supply project is underway. There has been some concern about impact on the parking area and staff is working on it.

The new Accela program is up and running for agenda management.

City Council begins zoning update special meetings starting Oct. 19.

A public workshop to discuss the new library will be Oct. 28 at Jade St, time TBA.

7. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commission Westman expressed concerns about using the new agenda system particularly for viewing plans, but realized she should have received physical plans for the Rispin project.

8. ADJOURNMENT