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TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: COURTNEY GROSSMAN, PLANNING MANAGER

BY: BOBBY LATINO, ASSOCIATE PLANNER

TITLE: CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2024-046; REQUEST TO DEMOLISH AN

EXISTING SERVICE STATION AND CONVENIENCE STORE AND CONSTRUCT A NEW SERVICE STATION, CONVENIENCE STORE, AND VEHICLE WASHING BUILDING WITH AN OFF SALE ALCOHOL RELATED USE (TYPE 20 ABC LICENSE) LOCATED AT 1163 TERVEN AVENUE THE IG-AR (INDUSTRIAL-GENERAL – AIRPORT OVERLAY)

ZONING DISTRICT

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a resolution finding the project exempt pursuant to Sections 15332 and 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, affirming the findings, and approving Conditional Use Permit 2024-046.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Jay Waraich, Applicant, on behalf of the Coast to Coast Property Holdings, LLC, Property Owner, is proposing to demolish an existing service station and convenience store and construct a new 2,500 square foot Convenience Store, a 3,654 square foot fuel canopy with 12 fuel pumps, a 1,080 square foot Vehicle Washing building with an off sale alcohol related use consisting of a Type 20 ABC License. The fuel canopy would be located along the Terven Avenue frontage while the convenience store and carwash building would be located on the northerly portion of the site near U.S. Highway 101. See attached Site Plan and Floor Plans for more information. The site is currently regulated by Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 1990-026, which authorized operation of a gas station/convenience store and auto rental facility. CUP 1990-026 was approved by the Zoning Administrator on September 24, 1990, and superseded CUP 1986-039.

DISCUSSION:

Background:

The existing service station and convenience store currently includes an active off sale alcohol related use consisting of a Type 20 ABC License, which includes sales of beer and wine for off site consumption. The site is regulated by Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 1990-026, which authorized operation of a gas station/convenience store and auto rental facility with an alcohol related use. CUP 1990-026 was approved by the Zoning Administrator on September 24, 1990, and superseded CUP 1986-039. CUP 1986-039 authorized the right to operate a gas station/convenience store/truck-auto rental facility with an alcohol related use. Per ABC, the original Type 20 ABC license was issued by ABC on February 1, 1988. Because the site is governed by CUP 1990-026, and a carwash building is being proposed as a new use, Amendment to CUP 1990-026 is required to proceed with the project.

The property is in the Industrial-General District and Airport Overlay District. The following provides an overview of the land uses and zoning districts adjacent to the project site:

North: U.S. Highway 101

South: Vacant Building / IG-AR (Industrial-General – Airport Overlay)

East: U.S. Highway 101 Off-Ramp

West: Building Materials and Services w/ Accessory Offices / IG-AR (Industrial-General

Airport Overlay)

General Plan Consistency:

The site is designated General Industrial by the 2002 Salinas General Plan. The proposed project is consistent with General Plan Goals and Policies. Located on an in-fill site, the project would help maintain a compact City form, consistent with Land Use Policy LU-2.4. The project will revitalize an existing industrial area within the City consistent with Land Use Policy LU-3.7. The project conforms with Community Design Element Policy CD-2.3, which requires infill development to be consistent with the scale and character of the existing buildings. Furthermore, the proposed development applies high-quality design standards visible from U.S. Highway 101 consistent with Community Design Policy CD-1.8.

Zoning Consistency:

As shown on the official Zoning Map, the site is in the Industrial-General District. Per Section 37-30.300, the purpose of the Industrial-General District is to provide for the full range of manufacturing, industrial processing, general service, and distribution uses deemed suitable for location in Salinas; and protect Salinas' general industrial areas from competition for space from unrelated commercial uses that could more appropriately be located elsewhere in the city.

Development Regulation Compliance Table

Development Regulation	Standard	Existing	Proposed
Use Classification	CUP for	Gas	Compliant.
	Convenience Store	station/convenience	Convenience
	w/ Gas Pumps and	store/truck and auto	Store w/ Gas
	SPR for Vehicle	rental facility, and	Pumps, Vehicle
	Washing, and	Alcohol Related Use.	Washing, and
	Alcohol Related		Alcohol Related
	Use.		Use.
Lot Size – Minimum (s.f.)	43,560 (1 acre)	31,283 s.f. existing	Compliant.
		nonconforming	31,283 existing
			nonconforming
Lot Width – Minimum (ft.)	150 ft.	129.5 ft. existing	Compliant.
		nonconforming	129.5 ft. existing
			nonconforming
Lot Depth – Minimum (ft.)	150 ft.	204 ft.	Compliant.
			204 ft.
Lot Frontage – Minimum	100 ft.	150 ft. and 168.32 ft.	Compliant.
(ft.)		(corner lot)	150 ft. and 168.32
			ft.
			(corner lot)
Front Yard – Minimum (ft.)	20 ft.	24 ft.	Compliant.
			45 ft.
Interior Side Yard –	0	74 ft. and 0 ft	Compliant.
Minimum (ft.)	• • •	10.0	2 ft.
Corner Side Yard –	20 ft	10 ft.	Compliant.
Minimum (ft.)		1010 1160	47 and 66.5 ft.
Rear Yard – Minimum (ft.)	0	134 ft. and 46 ft.	Compliant.
		10.110	25 and 108 ft.
Height – Maximum (ft.)	No height limit	Approx. 12-14 ft.	Compliant.
ELD 16	7 0	0.5 (4.505/04.000)	25 ft
FAR – Maximum	.50	.06 (1,735/31,283)	Compliant.
			.12
T 1 ' NA' '	50/	A 210/ /550	(3,580/31,283)
Landscaping – Minimum	5%	Approx. 21% (558	Compliant.
(Percent of Parking Lot		s.f./2,565 s.f.)	26% (411
Area)	40 ° f	Annuary 25 40 ft	s.f./1,564 s.f.)
Driveway Width –	40 s.f.	Approx. 35-40 ft.	Compliant.
Maximum (ft.)	1.050 - 6 - 6 - 4 - 1	15	40 ft.
Off-Street Parking -	1:250 s.f. of retail	15 spaces	Compliant.
Minimum	space		

8 spaces (1,866
s.f. of
retail/250=8*
rounded up from
7.46)

<u>Design</u>

The proposed building includes a combination of grey cement plaster base material, with grey cement plaster cornices and columns, tech wood accent materials, and metal awnings to incorporate architectural treatment consistent with Section 37-30.330(e)(6). Per Section 37-30.330(d) and Section 37-30.330(e)(4), windows are placed on the front façade of the convenience store to encourage natural surveillance.

Conditional use Permit 2024-046: Off Sale Alcohol Use

Undue Concentration

Concerning off-sale alcohol-related uses, "undue concentration" is defined per California Business and Professions Code Section 23958.4 as either: (1) the ratio of off-sale retail licenses to population in the census tract or census division in which the premises is located exceeds the ratio of off-sale retail licenses to population in the county in which the premises is located: or (2) the premises is located in a crime reporting district that has a twenty percent (20%) greater number of reported crimes (i.e., the most recent yearly compilation by the local law enforcement agency of reported offenses of criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, theft, and motor vehicle theft, combined with all arrests for other crimes, both felonies and misdemeanors, except traffic violations) than the average number of reported crimes as determined from all crime reporting districts within the jurisdiction of the local law enforcement agency.

The proposed location is within Census Tract 13 (CT 13). Per ABC, there are currently six (6) active off-sale licenses within CT 13, including the existing license on the subject site, which are shown below:

Name of Licensee	Address	<u>Distance from</u> <u>Project Site</u>
1. Star Market (Type 21)	1275 South Main Street	10,166 feet
2. Salinas AM PM (Type 20)	970 Work Street	1,995 feet
3. Central Gas Valero (Type 20)	1163 Terven Avenue	Same Site
4. El Toro Liquor & Taqueria (Type 21)	124 Abbott Street	7,527 feet
5. AS Convenience & Energy (Type 20)	945 Abbott Street	3,331 feet
6. Michoacan Produce (Type 20)	241 John Street	7,616 feet

Note: On 11/19/24, The Planning Commission approved an off-sale license located at 1012 Abbott Street (CUP 2024-022).

Per ABC, two (2) off-sale licenses are authorized in CT 13. Currently, the subject CT 13 is classified as undue concentration as there are six (6) active off-sale alcohol licenses plus one pending license located at 1012 Abbott Street, which is higher than the two (2) authorized. Approval of the proposed Type 20 off-sale alcohol license would not result in an increase in number of licensees because the subject site includes one of the licenses (ref. Central Gas Valero located at 1163 Terven Avenue).

The attached Map of off-sale Alcohol Licenses from 2019 shows the location of the proposed off-sale alcohol license to other off-sale alcohol licenses. The average distance to off-sale alcohol outlets in CT 13 is 4,186 feet, which is greater than the average of 956 feet for approved off-sale alcohol CUPs in a CT since 2010 (see Table 1 below).

Table 1: Comparison to Off-sale Alcohol Conditional Use Permits Since 2010

	Distance to	Distance	Distance	Average	Alcohol	Crime rate in	Number
	residentially	to public	to parks/	Distance to	outlets in	PRDs (%)	of crimes
	zoned	schools	playgroun	off-sale	Census	(120% =	reported
	property	(feet)	ds (feet)	alcohol	Tracts (% -	undue	in PRDs
	(feet)			outlets in CT	proposed/	concentratio	
				(feet)	allowed	n	
Average	500	1,936	1,948	956	119%	146%	61.21
Minimum	0	450	400	1,995	40%	29%	2
Maximum	3,200	5,800	5,400	6,960	800%	386%	259
CUP	1,027	2,852	3,178	6,127	300%	65%	48
2024-046							

Salinas Police Department Comments and Conditions

Salinas Police Department reports an average of 61.21 reported crimes across all Police Reporting Districts (PRDs) for 2022, the most recent date of PRD records. Adding twenty percent (20%), the formula allows for no more than 73.45 reported crimes within this PRD to avoid the "undue concentration" designation. 2022 Salinas Police Department (SPD) crime statistics showing 48 reported crimes in PRD 107, which is below the 73.45 threshold; therefore, the site is not classified as an area of undue concentration based on crime. A majority of the crimes that occur in this area are Part Two crimes which include burglary, simple assault, theft and larceny. Per the Police Department comments, the site is well below the average crime rate and the Salinas Police Department does not object to the approval of Conditional Use Permit 2024-046 with conditions of approval (see attached Salinas Police Department memorandum dated August 30, 2024).

Because the proposed site is located within an area of undue concentration due to number of alcohol licenses in the CT 13, approval of a CUP for off-sale alcohol use requires a finding that Public Convenience or Necessity by the Planning Commission. A finding of Public Convenience or Necessity could be determined as customers would be able to complete their shopping needs without having to travel to a range of retail outlets.

Proximity to Residences, Parks, and Schools

The closest residences and residentially zoned land are located approximately 1,416 feet to the north of the site of the alcohol related use (526 Carol Drive). The nearest park is Los Padres Neighborhood Park (1210 John Street), which is located approximately 3,178 feet to the north of the subject site. The nearest public school is Los Padres Elementary School (1130 John Street), which is located approximately 2,852 feet north from the subject site.

The subject property is located more than the average distance of other similar projects to residences, residentially zoned properties, parks, and other public schools than other CUP applications (approved, denied, or expired) dating back to the year 2010. The subject property is above average in minimum distance concerning its location to, residences, schools, and parks/playgrounds in comparison with other off-sale alcohol CUP applications.

One-for-One Policy

The Planning Commission had previously determined that a One-for-One policy should be required for off-sale licenses located in areas of undue concentration. A One-for-One policy would require the elimination of one existing, active off-sale alcohol-related use located within City limits to be either from an area of "undue concentration" (based on either the number of retail off-sale ABC licenses or the number of reported crimes) or a nonconforming use (i.e., without a Conditional Use Permit). The One-for-One Policy was originally established in 2007 by the City Council to limit the number of off-sale alcohol outlets in the City, by requiring new outlets to retire an existing license within the City of Salinas. However, the policy was eliminated by City Council on July 9, 2013. The existing license would be retained onsite.

Table 2 below lists the 60 Conditional Use Permit (CUP) applications for alcohol related uses that have been processed and/or in process since 2010. Five (5) off-sale alcohol related CUPs located in an area of undue concentration have been required to comply with the City's former one-for-one policy.

Table 2: Conditional Use Permit Applications for Alcohol Related Uses

No.	Project				Approval	Approval	1:1	Off-
	Number	Status	Type	Address	Date	Body	Req?	sale?
1.	CUP	Ammorrad	Off-Sale	970 Work		City Council		
	2010-004	Approved	Alcohol	St.	4/19/2011	City Council	Yes	Yes
2.	CUP	Expired	Off-Sale	1532 N.				
	2010-006	Expired	Alcohol	Main St.	6/14/2011	City Council	Yes	Yes
3.	CUP	Annroyad	Off-Sale	615 W.		Planning		
	2010-007	Approved	Alcohol	Laurel Dr.	6/6/2010	Commission	Yes	Yes
4.	CUP	Annroyad	Off-Sale	306 N.				
	2010-013	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	10/12/2010	City Planner	No	Yes
5.	CUP	Approved	On Site	242	8/2/2011	City Planner		No

	2010-018		Alcohol	Williams				
				Rd.				
6.			Off-Sale	575 N.				
	CUP	Denied	Alcohol	Sanborn				
	2011-005		Alcohor	Rd.	N/A			
7.	CUP	A 1	Off-Sale	1375 N.		Planning	37	
	2011-009	Approved	Alcohol	Davis Rd.	6/1/2011	Commission	Yes	Yes
8.	CUP		Off-Sale	1800 N.				
•	2011-010	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	6/14/2011	City Council	Yes	Yes
9.	CUP		On-Sale	1730 N.	0,11,2011			100
<i>-</i> .	2011-022	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	10/10/2011	City Planner		No
10.	CUP		Off-Sale	1730 N.				110
10.	2011-023	Withdrawn	Alcohol	Main St.	N/A			
11.	CUP		On-Sale	1391 N.				
11.		Approved			2/12/2012	City Planner		NI-
10	2012-001		Alcohol	Davis Rd.	2/12/2012	<u> </u>		No
12.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	1748 N.	2/27/2012	City Planner		
	2012-003	11	Alcohol	Main St.	3/27/2012			No
13.	CUP	Denied	Off-Sale	8 Williams	N/A			
	2012-005	Bemea	Alcohol	Rd.	11/11			
14.	CUP	Approved	Off-Sale	1045 N.		City Council		
	2013-003	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	9/24/2013	City Council	No	Yes
15.	CUP	A	On-Sale	1988 N.		Cita Diaman		
	2013-006	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	7/1/2013	City Planner		No
16.			0 0 1	242				
	CUP	Withdrawn	On-Sale	Williams	N/A			
	2014-004		Alcohol	Rd.				
17.	CUP		Off-Sale	1532 N.				
- / •	2014-025	Denied	Alcohol	Main St.	N/A			
18.	CUP		On-Sale	124 Abbott				
10.	2015-004	Approved	Alcohol	St.	8/4/2015	City Planner		No
19.	CUP		On-Sale	1938 N	0/ 1/2013			110
1).	2015-011	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	6/9/2015	City Planner		No
20.	CUP		Off-Sale	215 E.	0/9/2013	Planning		110
20.		Approved			0/16/2015		NI	V
21	2015-016		Alcohol	Alisal St.	9/16/2015	Commission	No	Yes
21.	CLID		Off-Sale	602	37/4			
	CUP	Denied	Alcohol	Williams	N/A			
	2015-023			Rd.				
22.	CUP	Denied	Off-Sale	170 E.	N/A			
	2015-034	2011100	Alcohol	Laurel Dr.	11/11			
23.			On-Sale	242				
	CUP	Withdrawn	Alcohol	Williams	N/A			
	2016-002		Alcohor	Rd.				
24.	CUP	Ammorrad	On-Sale	66 W.				
	2016-005	Approved	Alcohol	Alisal St.	6/7/2016	City Planner		No
25.	CUP	Α	Off-Sale	150 Main				
	2016-006	Approved	Alcohol	St.	6/24/2016	City Planner		N/A
26.	CUP		Off-Sale	1000			1	
	2016-013	Withdrawn	Alcohol	Market St.	N/A			
27.	2010 013			201	-1/12			
21.	CUP	Approved	Off-Sale	Monterey		City Council	No	
	2016-019	Approved	Alcohol	St.	03/21/2017	City Council	110	
		i contract of the contract of					•	

	2016-020		Alcohol	Rd.				
29.				350				
	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	Northridge		City Planner		
	2017-003		Alcohol	Mall	04/07/2017			No
30.			Off-Sale					
	CUP	Withdrawn	(Type 20	980 Acosta				
	2017-005		To 21)	Plaza.	N/A			
31.			On-Sale	309				
	CUP	Withdrawn	Alcohol	Williams	N/A			
	2017-014		7 Heorioi	Rd.				
32.			On-Sale	1600				
	CUP	Approved	Alcohol	Northridge		City Planner		
	2018-001			Mall	02/27/2018			No
33.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	723 Alisal		City Planner		
	2018-002	rr	Alcohol	St.	10/12/2018	- 17	1	No
34.	CUP	Expired	On-Sale	1220 S.	00/06/0010	City Planner		
25	2018-003	1	Alcohol	Main St.	02/26/2018	•		No
35.	CUP	Approved	Off-Sale	1764 N.	10/02/2010	Planning	No	
26	2018-005	11	Alcohol	Main St.	10/02/2019	Commission		Yes
36.	CUP	Expired	Off-Sale	1438 S.	NT/A			
27	2018-008	•	Alcohol	Main St.	N/A			
37.	CUP	Withdrawn	On-Sale	1366 s.	N/A			
20	2018-012		Alcohol	Main St.				
38.	CLID	A 1	On-Sale	309				
	CUP	Approved	Alcohol	Williams	01/00/2010	C'A Diaman		NT.
39.	2018-023			Rd. 213	01/09/2019	City Planner		No
39.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale			City Dlannar		
	2018-024	Approved	Alcohol	Monterey St.	11/27/2018	City Planner		No
40.	2016-024			242	11/2//2016			NO
40.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	Williams		City Planner		
	2018-025	Approved	Alcohol	Rd.	04/30/2019	City I famile		No
41.	2010 023			1790	04/30/2017			110
71,	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	Northridge		City Planner		
	2018-029	- 1913,00	Alcohol	Mall	02/20/2029			No
42.			0 0 1					Not
	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	210 Main		City Planner		deter
	2019-009		Alcohol	St.	08/22/2019			mined
43.			0. 6.1	1582				
	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	Constitutio		City Planner		
	2019-020	<u> </u>	Alcohol	n Blvd.	01/07/2020			No
44.			Off Cala				No	
	CUP	Approved	Off-Sale Alcohol	1264 De La			(Not	
	2020-015		Alcohor	Torre	10/23/2020	City Planner	Und.)	Yes
45.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	1220 S.		City Planner		
	2021-008	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	04/02/2021	•		No
46.	CUP	Approved	Off-Sale	1640 N.		Planning		
	2021-022	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	09/15/2021	Commission	No	Yes
47.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	835 S.		Planning		
	2021-025	Арргочец	Alcohol	Main St.	12/15/2021	Commission		No
48.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	822 E.		City Planner		
	2021-029	1 ippio vod	Alcohol	Alisal St.	01/03/2022	City I lamici		No

49.	CUP	Approved	On-Sale	1259 De La		City Plannar		
	2021-030	Approved	Alcohol	Torre St.	12/20/2021	City Planner		No
50	CUP	Ammorrad	On-Sale	216 John		City Dlaman		
	2022-017	Approved	Alcohol	St.	04/01/2022	City Planner		No
51.	CUP	Ammorrad	On-Sale	66 W.		City Dlamman		
	2022-026	Approved	Alcohol	Alisal St.	05/06/2022	City Planner		No
52.			On-Sale	215				
	CUP	Approved		Monterey		City Planner		
	2022-030		Alcohol	St.	08/15/2022			No
53.	CUP	Ammorrad	Off-Sale	933 W.		Planning		
	2022-054	Approved	Alcohol	Alisal St.	12/21/2022	Commission	No	Yes
54.	CUP	A	On-Sale	344 Main		Cita Diaman		
	2022-061	Approved	Alcohol	St.	02/28/2023	City Planner		No
55.	CUP	A	Off-Sale	1050 N.		Planning		
	2023-017	Approved	Alcohol	Davis Rd.	10/04/2023	Commission	No	Yes
56.	CUP	Ammorrad	On-Sale	1447 N.		City Dlamman		
	2023-038	Approved	Alcohol	Main St.	09/09/2024	City Planner		No
57.			On-Sale	1002 Del				
	CUP	Approved		Monte Ave.	09/17/2024	City Planner		
	2023-047		Alcohol	Ste. A				No
58.	CUP	Annroyad	On-Sale	66 W.		City Planna		
	2024-054	Approved	Alcohol	Alisal St.	10/01/2024	City Planner		No
59.	CUP	Ammorrad	Off-Sale	1012		Planning		
	2024-022	Approved	Alcohol	Abbott St.	11/19/2024	Commission	No	Yes
60.	CUP	Dandina	Off-Sale	695 E.		Planning		
	2024-058	Pending	Alcohol	Alisal St.	4/2/25	Commission	No	Yes

Conditions of Approval

The City generally requires a CUP for alcohol-related uses (Salinas City Code §37-50.030) and may lawfully regulate through its land use and zoning authority the potentially negative social and environmental effects of alcohol serving businesses. In this regard, the City's Zoning Code imposes a variety of specific requirements for alcohol-related uses and for all alcohol-related uses located in areas of undue concentration, which are discussed in turn below.

Pursuant to Zoning Code Section 37-50.030(f), if the Planning Commission determines that a public convenience or necessity would be served by the approval of the CUP and the subsequent issuance of an alcohol license by ABC, the CUP would contain the following conditions of approval:

- 1. Alcohol shall not be sold between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Coolers containing alcoholic beverages shall be locked between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- 2. The premises shall be maintained free of litter at all times.
- 3. No sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages shall be made from a drive-up or walk-up window.

- 4. No display of alcoholic beverages shall be made from an ice tub.
- 5. No "single-serving" or "one-can" sales of alcoholic beverages shall be made from the premises. A sign to this effect in English and Spanish shall be maintained at the cashier station at all times.
- 6. No alcoholic beverage shall be displayed within five feet of the cash register or the front door of the premises unless displayed in a permanently affixed cooler.
- 7. No self-illuminated advertising for alcoholic beverages shall be located on buildings or windows.
- 8. All business owners and managers shall complete a program certified by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) as a qualified responsible beverage service (RBS) program prior to the commencement of the use. Any business established after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this section shall require such training of all owners and managers within ninety days of ownership transfer or hire. Failure of managers to obtain training shall be the liability of the owner. The owner shall maintain on the premises a file containing the certificates of training and shall present the file and its contents upon request by the City at any time during normal business hours. The provisions of this section regarding responsible beverage training shall be suspended upon a finding by the City Planner that the training is not reasonably available.
- 9. An electronic age verification scanner shall be installed, maintained, and utilized for all off-sale alcohol sales.
- 10. Signs shall be posted at the location in English and Spanish with regard to prohibitions of open containers and loitering at the location, and no loitering will be tolerated.
- 11. No single 40 oz. containers of beer may be sold from premises.
- 12. No malt liquor or fortified wine products (wines with greater than 15% alcohol content) shall be sold.
- 13. Sales of wine shall be in containers of at least 750 ml.
- 14. No coin operated video or arcade games and no adult magazines or videos shall be sold.
- 15. No pay telephone booths shall be permitted on the premises.

16. Any alcohol license violation and/or suspension by the Alcohol Beverage Control Board or significant criminal activity, in the opinion of the City Police Chief, shall constitute grounds for review and modification or revocation of this use Permit in accordance with Section 37-60.640: Expiration- transferability; recordation; rescission; revocation, of the Salinas Zoning Code.

Additional conditions have been added, including those recommended by the Salinas Police Department per the attached comments dated August 30, 2024 (Exhibit "H" of CUP 2024-046):

- 1. Digital surveillance system with high quality cameras focused on the points of sales, entrances/exits of the business and the parking lot, with the capability to store the digital images captured. The video/photos must be retained for 30 days and be made available to Police upon request.
- 2. Ample lighting in the parking lots, exterior area of entrances/exits and situated in areas to enhance video surveillance equipment.

Findings:

The Planning Commission may approve an application for Conditional Use Permit to construct a new 2,500 square foot Convenience Store with Gas Pumps, a 3,654 square foot fuel canopy with 12 fuel pumps, a 1,080 square foot Vehicle Washing building, with an off-sale alcohol related use (Type 20 ABC license), if all the findings set forth in the proposed Planning Commission Resolution are established.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

The environmental impacts of the project have been analyzed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project has been determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Sections 15332 (In-Fill Development Projects) and 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines. The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with the applicable zoning designation and regulations. The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses. The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species. Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services. Furthermore, the project is exempt because the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

TIME CONSIDERATION:

The project was deemed complete on March 28, 2025. Final action is required by May 27, 2025, pursuant to the Permit Streamlining Act.

ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission has the following alternatives:

- 1. Affirm the findings set forth in the attached Resolution, find the application exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and approve Conditional Use Permit 2024-046 with modifications; or
- 2. Find that the proposal is not appropriate and establish findings at the public hearing stating the reasons for not approving Conditional Use Permit 2024-046.

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Planning Commission Resolution

Draft Conditional Use Permit 2024-046 with the following exhibits:

Exhibit "A" Vicinity Map

Exhibit "B" Site Plan (Sheet SP-1)

Exhibit "C" Floor and Equipment Plan (Sheet A1.1)

Exhibit "D" Roof Plan (Sheet A1.2)

Exhibit "E" Southwest and Northeast Color Elevation (Sheet A3.1)

Exhibit "F" Southeast and Northwest Color Elevation and Building Section (Sheet A3.2)

Exhibit "G" Fuel Canopy and Trash/Recycling Enclosure Color Elevation (Sheet CA3.1)

Exhibit "H" Conceptual Landscape Plan (Sheet L-1 and L-2)

Exhibit "I" Dryer Specification Sheet for Vehicle Washing Equipment

Exhibit "J" Noise Study prepared by Bollard Acoustical Consultants Inc. on July 17, 2024

Exhibit "K" Engineer's Report, dated March 7, 2025

Exhibit "L" Republic Services Letter, dated September 27, 2024

Exhibit "M" Police Department Memorandum, dated August 30, 2024

List of ABC Alcohol Licenses

Map of Census Tracts with Undue Concentration of Off-sale Alcohol Licenses

Map of PRDs with Undue Concentration of 20% Greater Number of Reported Crimes than the Average Number of Reported Crimes

Map of Areas of Undue Concentration of Off-sale Licenses and Reported Crimes (Combined)

Cc: Jay Waraich, Applicant Other interested parties