

of drive-through uses in areas covered under the Specific Plan – many of which have been approved by City Council.

As market demands change, along with business models, and turnover of existing retail and other commercial establishments, an increased demand in revitalizing and enhancing existing shopping centers along Shaw Avenue (between Clovis and Temperance Avenues) with the use of drive-through facilities has followed. This has further been exacerbated with the arrival of COVID-19 and the restrictions placed on indoor dining and other distancing requirements. In response to this shift, coupled with the approvals for the drive-through uses in recent years, staff recommends approval of an update to the Specific Plan to allow for drive-through uses within its boundary.

The Planning Commission considered the GPA2020-004 at its October 22, 2020 meeting and adopted resolutions in support in a 4-0-1 vote (Commissioner Antuna absent).

There being no public comment, Mayor Pro Tem Flores closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, for the Council to approve a request to approve a Resolution 20-159, GPA 2020-004, amending the text of the Shaw Avenue Specific Plan to permit drive-through uses. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

7. 6:46 - APPROVED – **RES. 20-160**, APPROVING THE SITE LAYOUT AND DESIGN OF THE LOMA VISTA VILLAGE GREEN, AN APPROXIMATELY 7-ACRE PARK THAT IS LOCATED NORTH OF GETTYSBURG AVENUE BETWEEN DEWOLF AND LEONARD AVENUES. CITY OF CLOVIS, APPLICANT.

Associate Planner Lily Cha presented a report on a request to approve the site layout and design of the Loma Vista Village Green, an approximately 7-acre park that is located north of Gettysburg Avenue between DeWolf and Leonard Avenues. Approval of this site plan review would provide the City with the opportunity to begin the construction design and improvement of the Loma Vista Village Green Park, consistent with the City of Clovis General Plan, Loma Vista Specific Plan and the Loma Vista Community Centers Master Plan. Lily Cha provided an overview of the proposed park. Erika McFarland, area resident, spoke in support, addressed questions, and proposed a dog park at that site. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, for the Council to approve Resolution 20-160, approving the site layout and design of the Loma Vista Village Green, an approximately 7-acre park that is located north of Gettysburg Avenue between DeWolf and Leonard Avenues. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

COUNCIL ITEMS

8. 7:21 - APPROVED – CHANGE OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE.

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report on a recommendation to cancel the council meeting of December 21, 2020. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Whalen, seconded by Councilmember Ashbeck, for the Council to approve a recommendation to cancel the council meeting of December 21, 2020. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

9. 7:23 - APPROVED – CONSIDERATION OF DESIGN OF CITY OF CLOVIS FLAG

Mayor Drew Bessinger provided an overview of the options for City Council to consider for design of a new city flag. Discussion by the Council. There being no public comment, Mayor Pro Tem Flores closed the public portion. Motion by Councilmember Whalen, seconded by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, for the Council to narrow the selection down to two preferred by council and have staff return on December 7, 2020 for final consideration.

WORKSHOP – 7:45

City Manager Luke Serpa provided city council an update on the numbers for the City for the week due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Luke Serpa also reported out on litter on Highway 168 and working with CalTrans to clean up.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS – 8:01

City Manager Luke Serpa notified council that Clovis Unified School Board Member Ginny Hovsepian is retiring and requested a council member participate in an event on November 18, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Flores volunteered to participate in the event for the city.

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 8:05

Councilmember Ashbeck commented on no COVID-19 testing being done by the County in the City of Clovis.

Mayor Bessinger complimented staff based on feedback he received from a resident.

Councilmember Mouanoutoua requested staff consider bringing back a financial year end report as well as a report on calls for service for police and fire due to the pandemic. He also noted that he had attended the grand reopening of Just My Essentials in downtown Clovis over the weekend.

Councilmember Whalen shared a photograph of a resident on the Old Town Trail who was making balloon caricatures for kids along the trail over the weekend.

Councilmember Flores commented on attending the grand reopening of Just My Essentials in downtown Clovis over the weekend.

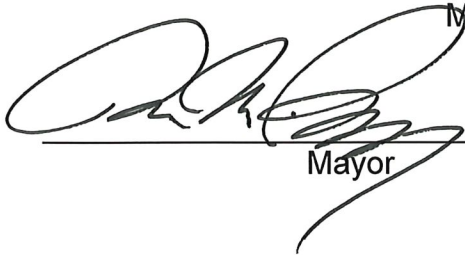
CLOSED SESSION – 8:20

City Attorney David Wolfe indicated that no action would be taken in closed session.

10. Government Code Section 54956.9
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision
(d) of Section 54956.9
1 case

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to December 7, 2020

Meeting adjourned: 8:58 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk



From: [Public Comments](#)
To: [John Holt](#); [Karey Cha](#)
Subject: Public Comment for City Council
Date: Monday, November 16, 2020 3:59:07 PM

Council Meeting Date: 2020-11-16

Item Number (put "0" if your comment is not regarding an item on the agenda): 7

FullName: Erika Wipfler McFarland

Email: erika.wipfler@gmail.com

Comment: Hi!

My name is Erika McFarland, my house lines Sanders Ave which is the main street that will be leading to the Loma Vista Village Green. We have quite a number of dogs in our community already. With the building of this park and it's surrounding housing that is predicted to bring in approx 30,000 new residents to Clovis in the coming years (as told to us in public city planning meetings), I find it imperative that there is a place for dogs to go off-leash or some sort of dog park that could be implemented at the Village Green, regardless of size. There was an outcry of the lack of dog parks in the city of Clovis for many years, and the City has spent a lot of time and money in response to this request in order to try and establish a couple more dog parks throughout the City (which have yet to be built). In order to be PROACTIVE and not reactive again, it would behoove the council to ask the city planning committee to designate a space in the Village green for dogs. The Loma Vista project, in it's entirety, has been advertised as a "one-stop shop" where it can be a meeting place, a place to walk to get groceries and food, and find all your living needs. With that many people who will be living in one area, it does not make sense that in order to find a place to take your dog off leash you would need to DRIVE somewhere else. I would ask that the City Council of Clovis recommend a dog park or small area to take your dog off leash be permitted and added to the city's planning of the Village Green.

Thank you for your time!

Erika Wipfler McFarland
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