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STAFF REPORT

Date:

September 13, 2016

To:

Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager

From:

Joshua McMurray, Planning Manager

Approved and forwarded to City Council

Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager

Subject: Continued from the August 9th 2016 City Council Meeting - Acorn Self-Storage – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Oakley Denying Applications for a Self-Storage Facility at 4275 Neroly Road APN 041-021-025 (General Plan Amendment GPA 04-16, Rezone RZ 06-16 and Design

Review DR 13-16)

Summary and Background

The project known as "Acorn Self-Storage" was heard at the August 9, 2016 City Council meeting. The City Council directed Staff to bring back a resolution of denial that would be considered at its next regular meeting. The resolution is attached to this Staff Report.

Environmental Review

The California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to projects that are disapproved.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Council adopt the proposed resolution denying the requested applications for a self-storage facility at 4275 Neroly Road APN 041-021-025 (General Plan Amendment GPA 04-16, Rezone RZ 06-16 and Design Review DR 13-16).

Attachments

Proposed Resolution

UTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLEY DENYING APPLICATIONS FOR A SELF-STORAGE FACILITY AT 4275 NEROLY ROAD (APN 041-021-025)

(General Plan Amendment GPA 04-16, Rezone RZ 06-16 and Design Review DR 13-16)

WHEREAS on March 16, 2016, JMI Properties Corporation ("Applicant") submitted an application requesting approval of: 1) a General Plan Amendment (GPA 04-16) to amend the land use designation from Single-Family Low Density Residential (SL) to Commercial (CO); 2) a rezone (RZ 06-16) from unzoned to Planned Development (P-1); and 3) Design Review (13-16) to construct an approximately 107,700 square foot self-storage facility, including a 2,200 square foot office and resident manager's building on an approximately 4.7-acre vacant lot located west of the Neroly Road and Placer Drive intersection, APN 041-021-025 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration were filed with the County Clerk and Governor's Office of Planning and Research Clearinghouse on June 29,2016; and

WHEREAS on July 27, 2016, the Notice of Public Hearing for the Project was duly published in the Contra Costa Times, a newspaper of general circulation. Notice was also posted at Oakley City Hall, outside the gym at Delta Vista Middle School, outside the library at the Freedom High School, at the project site, and notice was mailed to all owners of property within a 500-foot radius of the subject property's boundaries, as well as to parties requesting such notice, and to outside agencies; and

WHEREAS on August 9, 2016, the City Council opened the public hearing, at which it received from city staff a report, received oral and written testimony from the public, deliberated regarding the Project and considered the applications; and

WHEREAS at the public hearing, substantial public testimony was received from the public and nearby residents who were opposed to the Project; and

WHEREAS at the conclusion of the public hearing, the City Council announced its tentative decision and requested staff to draft this Resolution for consideration at its next regular meeting; and

WHEREAS based upon the foregoing, the City Council makes the following determinations:

The City Council is not inclined to amend the General Plan at this time for this Project.
The current General Plan designation for the property is Single-Family Low Density
Residential. Land uses across the street from the proposed Project are single family
residential. Current development to the northwest along Neroly Road is also large-lot
single family residential.

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- 2. Neroly Road at this location is a two-lane, high speed (45 miles per hour) semi-rural road and there was no compelling evidence presented as to how the Project would properly and safely interface with the roadway.
- 3. The proposed Project is out of character with the General Plan's concept for development of this immediate area.
- 4. Because Design Review must be consistent with the zoning designation and General Plan designations for the property, and because the City Council is not inclined to amend the General Plan or assign a commercial zoning designation to accommodate this Project, it is unnecessary to specify findings for the denial of the Design Review portion of this application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the foregoing, the applications specified herein are DENIED. A copy of this Resolution shall be delivered to the Applicant.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oakley at a meeting held on

the 13" day of September, 201	6 by the following vote:	
AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSENT:		
ABSTENTIONS:		
	APPROVED:	
	Kevin Romick, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
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