

PC RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA APPROVING PLANNING APPLICATION NO. PA23-0329, A DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR AN APPROXIMATELY 48,846 SQUARE FOOT MERCEDES-BENZ SPRINTER DEALERSHIP THAT INCLUDES MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES AND AN EMPLOYEE FITNESS CENTER LOCATED AT 40900 TEMECULA CENTER DRIVE AND MAKING A FINDING OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (APN: 916-400-025)

Section 1. Procedural Findings. The Planning Commission of the City of Temecula does hereby find, determine and declare that:

A. On August 16, 2023, Mercedes-Benz of Temecula filed Planning Application No. PA23-0329 a Development Plan in a manner in accord with the City of Temecula General Plan and Development Code.

B. The Project was processed including, but not limited to a public notice, in the time and manner prescribed by State and local law.

C. The Planning Commission, at a regular meeting, considered the Project and environmental review on June 18, 2025, at a duly noticed public hearing as prescribed by law, at which time the City staff and interested persons had an opportunity to and did testify either in support or in opposition to this matter.

D. At the conclusion of the Planning Commission hearing and after due consideration of the testimony, the Planning Commission approved Planning Application No. PA23-0329, subject to and based upon the findings set forth hereunder.

E. All legal preconditions to the adoption of the Resolution have occurred.

Section 2. Further Findings. The Planning Commission, in approving the Application hereby finds, determines and declares that:

Development Plan (Development Code Section 17.05.010.F):

A. The proposed use is in conformance with the General Plan for Temecula and with all applicable requirements of State law and other Ordinances of the City.

The project is in conformance with the General Plan as automobile sales with maintenance and repair services and an employee fitness center is a permitted use within Planning Area 12 of the Harveston Specific Plan. The project, as conditioned, is also consistent with other applicable requirements of State law and local Ordinances, including the Citywide Design Guidelines, Harveston Specific Plan, and Fire and Building codes.

- B. The overall development of the land is designed for the protection of the public health, safety, and general welfare.

The overall design of the project, including the site, building, parking, circulation and other associated site improvements, is consistent with, and intended to protect the health and safety of those working and living in an around the site as the project is consistent with the General Plan, City Wide Design Guidelines, Harveston Specific Plan and Development Code. The project has been reviewed for, and as conditioned, has been found to be consistent with all applicable policies, guidelines, standards and regulations intended to ensure that the development will be constructed and function in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.

Section 3. Environmental Findings. The Planning Commission hereby makes the following environmental findings and determinations in connection with the approval of the Development Plan Application:

A. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the proposed project has been deemed to be categorically exempt from further environmental review (Section 15332, In-Fill Development Projects);

- (a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations.

The project is consistent with the applicable General Plan designation because automobile sales with maintenance and repair services and an employee fitness center is a permitted use within Planning Area 12 of the Harveston Specific Plan. The project also meets all applicable General Plan and Zoning policies and regulations.

- (b) The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses.

The project is located within City limits and is located on a site that is 3.03 acres in size. The proposed project is substantially surrounded by commercial and residential development, and major roadways.

- (c) The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species.

The project was required to go through the Habitat Assessment and Negotiation Strategy (HANS) process since the project site is located within a Multi Species Habitation Conservation Strategy (MSHCP) criteria cell. After review by the Regional Conservation Authority and State and Federal agencies, a Joint Project Review was issued (JPR 23-08-29-01) that determined the project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species.

- (d) Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality.

The proposed project was required to prepare a Project-Specific Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) that was reviewed and conceptually accepted for entitlement by City Staff, as the WQMP

meets the requirements of the City of Temecula. A traffic analysis was not required as part of this project and the proposed use is allowed within Planning Area 12 of the Harveston Specific Plan. Therefore, the project is not anticipated to result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality as the project, as conditioned, is an allowed use per the City of Temecula General Plan.

(e) The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

The project site is surrounded by development and is able to be serviced by all required utilities and public services.

Section 4. Conditions. The Planning Commission of the City of Temecula approves Planning Application No. PA23-0329, a Development Plan for an approximately 48,846 square foot Mercedes-Benz Sprinter Dealership that includes maintenance and repair services and an employee fitness center located at 40900 Temecula Center Drive, and makes a finding of exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), subject to the Final Conditions of Approval set forth on Exhibit A and Plan Reductions set forth in Exhibit B, attached hereto, and incorporated herein by this reference.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City of Temecula Planning Commission this 18th day of June, 2025.

Lanae Turley-Trejo, Chair

ATTEST:

Matt Peters
Secretary

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)ss
CITY OF TEMECULA)

I, Matt Peters, Secretary of the Temecula Planning Commission, do hereby certify that the forgoing PC Resolution No. 2025- was duly and regularly adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Temecula at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

NOES: PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

ABSTAIN: PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

ABSENT: PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

Matt Peters
Secretary