

**CITY OF TEMECULA
AGENDA REPORT**

TO: City Manager/City Council
FROM: Luke Watson, Director of Community Development
DATE: April 25, 2023
SUBJECT: Community Development Department Monthly Report

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the Community Development Department monthly report.

The following are the highlights for Community Development for the month of March 2023.

CURRENT PLANNING ACTIVITIES

Planning processed forty-two (42) new applications and conducted one (1) Public Hearing in March 2023. A detailed account of planning activities is attached to this report.

Planning Statistics	March 2023
Long Range Project	9
Conditional Use Permit	2
Massage Permits	2
Modifications	10
Pre-Application	8
Public Convenience or Necessity	1
Temporary Use Permit	5
Zoning Letter	5
Total	42

Paseo Del Sol Tentative Tract Map No. 36483 (PA14-0087): The City is processing a Tentative Tract Map (No. 36483) for 168 single-family homes and 11 open space lots located at the northwest corner of Temecula Parkway and Butterfield Stage Road. **(COOPER)**

Temecula Valley Hospital Master Plan Update (PA21-1525): The City is processing a Modification to the previously approved Temecula Valley Hospital Master Plan. The updated Master Plan, at buildout will include the existing 237,305 square foot hospital building and 5,180 square foot storage building along with an approximately 130,000 square foot, four story Behavioral Health Building in Phase 2, an approximately 10,000 square foot expansion to the emergency department, a 125,000 square foot, five story second hospital tower, a 80,000 square foot medical office buildings, and a 14,000 square foot utility plant in Phase 3, and an approximately 125,000 square foot, five story third hospital tower, a 80,000 square three story foot

medical office building, and a four story parking structure with the existing helipad relocated to the roof of the structure in Phase 4. The project is located at 31700 Temecula Parkway. A public scoping meeting for the Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) was held on March 23, 2022, at the Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library. The public review period for the SEIR has ended. The Final SEIR has been completed by the consultant and staff is working on scheduling meeting with the City Council and Planning Commission Subcommittee's. **(COOPER)**

Temecula Resort and Spa (PAs 22-0035, 22-0037): The City is processing a Development Plan and Tentative Parcel Map for an approximately 474,137 square foot, seven (7) story, 90-foot high full service hotel that includes a parking garage, conference facilities/ballrooms, gallery/event space, full service spa, restaurants, bars/lounges, retail outlets, workout facility, outdoor pool area, and a wedding garden located on the east side of Front Street between First Street and Second Street. The project was presented to the Old Town Steering Subcommittee on July 26, 2022, and September 27, 2022, and the Old Town Temecula Planning Commission on October 19, 2022. The project is scheduled to go to City Council Old Town Steering Committee meeting on April 11, 2023. **(COOPER)**

Seraphina Tentative Tract Map No. 38267 (PA22-0830): The City is processing a Tentative Tract Map (TTM 38267) for the creation of 39 single family lots and two (2) open space lots on 12.77 acres located on the southwest corner of Joseph Road and Rita Way (APN: 957-080-027). **(COOPER)**

Boutique Luxury Hotel (PAs 22-0929, 0930, 0931): The City is processing a Development Plan for an approximately 54,699 square foot, four-story, 45 room hotel that includes retail spaces, a gym, meeting space, and a rooftop restaurant and pool area. The project is located on the west side of Old Town Front Street approximately 400' south of Santiago Road adjacent to the U-Haul dealership. The application package also includes requests for a Minor Exception for the height of the building to accommodate architectural tower elements and a Variance to allow for parking within the setback due to the narrow width of the project site. **(COOPER)**

Parker Medical Center II (PA22-0987): The City is processing a Development Plan for an approximately 35,601 square-foot, three story, medical office building located on the west side of Avenida De Misiones approximately 425 feet south of Temecula Parkway. **(COOPER)**

Rally's Burgers (PA22-1012): The City is processing a Modification to a previously approved Development Plan (PA15-1572) for an approximately 998 square foot drive thru restaurant located on the southwest corner of Temecula Parkway and Mahlon Vail Road. **(COOPER)**

Paradise Chevrolet (PAs 22-1124, 1125): The City is processing a Development Plan and Conditional Use Permit for an approximately 47,727 square foot, two story structure that includes rooftop parking for a commercial and fleet truck dealership that includes maintenance and repair services for Paradise Chevrolet. The project is located on an undeveloped site at 42105 DLR Drive. An environmental consultant has been selected and is under contract to prepare an environmental document for the project. **(COOPER)**

FORE Temecula (PA23-0057): The City is processing a Development Plan for a 213-unit apartment community built on 6.6 acres located at 27468 Ynez Road in the Temecula Town Center Shopping Center. The project is taking advantage of a mixed-use overlay within the City of Temecula General Plan. The project applicant met with the City Council General Plan Update Ad Hoc Subcommittee on March 14, 2023. **(COOPER)**

U-HAUL (PA23-0056): The City is processing a Development Plan for an approximately 40,883 square foot four story self-storage facility located on the southwest corner of Las Haciendas Street and Jefferson Avenue. **(COOPER)**

Firenze Appeal (PA23-0045): The City is processing an Appeal to the approved Firenze Development Plan (PA21-1023). The project was originally approved on January 20, 2023 (APN:921-060-058). **(COOPER)**

Rancho-12 Tentative Tract Map (PA22-0047): A Tentative Tract Map for a 12 lot single-family development located at 31670 Rancho California Road. **(JONES)**

Starbucks Ynez Road Modification (PA22-0722): A Major Modification application to allow revisions to an existing commercial site. Revisions will include façade and site improvements. The project is located at 27425 Ynez Road. **(JONES)**

White Barn Development Plan (PA22-0874): A Development Plan Application for a proposed 9,100 square-foot daycare facility on the vacant 2.46-acre parcel located at 39970 Cantrell Road. **(JONES)**

Be Good Hotel (PA22-0995): A Development Plan Application to review a four-story hotel featuring nine rooms, restaurant and subterranean parking. The project is generally located on the northwest corner of Fourth Street and Mercedes Street. **(JONES)**

Amazon Delivery Van Parking Lot (PA22-1025): A modification application to allow a parking lot expansion to accommodate delivery van parking. The project is located at 27731 Diaz Road. **(JONES)**

412 Church Modification (PA22-1093): a Modification Application to convert the existing building into a church and to create an outdoor patio on the south side of the building located at 27919 Jefferson Avenue. **(JONES)**

Better Buzz/Ono BBQ Development Plan (PA23-0030): A Development Plan to allow the construction of two commercial structures totaling approximately 4,414 square feet. Structures will be used for a restaurant and coffee shop. The project is located at 29540 Rancho California Road. **(JONES)**

Old Town Town Homes Development Plan (PA22-0941): the City is processing a Development Plan Application for the construction of 14 multifamily residential units on the vacant .68-acre parcel located at 42146 Sixth Street. **(CARDENAS)**

LONG RANGE PLANNING

General Plan Update: The Long Range Planning Division has developed a four-phase, multi-year process to update the General Plan. Phase I is complete and included updates to Housing and Public Safety Elements. Phase I also included an update to the City's Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Guidelines to analyze Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Phase II is in process and includes an update to the Quality of Life Master Plan (QLMP), reconciling the City's GIS Maps on a parcel by parcel basis, a baseline EIR analysis of the City's Circulation Element, and developing a Complete Streets Policy document. Phase III will include a Fiscal Land Use Study to analyze the City's remaining

development capacity and market absorption potential for residential, commercial, and industrial development. The final phase is to work with a General Plan Advisory Committee to update to the General Plan and EIR over an 18 to 24-month timeframe. **(PETERS)**

Quality of Life Master Plan Update: On April 27, 2021, the City Council established a Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) to update the Quality of Life Master Plan (QLMP). The QLMP identifies the City's six core values, including: 1) Healthy and Livable City; 2) Economic Prosperity; 3) Safe and Prepared Community; 4) Sustainable City; 5) Transportation Mobility and Connectivity; and 6) Accountable and Responsive City Government. Projects and programs proposed in the City's Annual Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program must be consistent with the City's Core Values. Performance measures (indicators) are measured annually to track progress and the completion of goals and objectives. The last BRC meeting was held on July 21, 2022. The Preliminary Draft document was presented to all the Commissions in October and November. The Final Draft QLMP was approved by the City Council on November 15, 2022. The QLMP will serve as the foundation for the General plan update. The final document is available online and hard copies have been distributed to the City Council, City Staff, Boards, and Commissions. **(PETERS)**

QLMP Website for Measuring Progress (Dashboard): As part of the Quality of Life Master Plan Update, Planning staff is working with a consultant, MIG, and the IT Department to develop a webpage for the QLMP. The intent of the webpage is to provide a "dashboard" to display the city's progress toward achieving the goals and policies identified in the QLMP. The webpage will be found on the city's main website (TemeculaCa.gov) and will incorporate links and useful indicators intended for user-friendly navigation. **(GARCIA)**

Permit Ready ADU Program (LR19-1464): The City received an SB 2 Grant from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to prepare, adopt, and implement a Permit Ready Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) program. The ADU program will encourage the construction of ADUs, offering property owners a selection of pre-approved ADU building plans that can be obtained at the Community Development Department, free of charge. On September 16, 2020, the RFP closed on PlanetBids. The City received three detailed proposals from qualified consultants. After detailed review of all the proposals, staff selected checkerboardSTUDIOS Consultant Firm. On March 18, 2021, staff kicked off the project with the Consultant and staff from Planning, Building & Safety, Public Works, and Fire. This will be a joined effort between the internal departments and the consultant. Staff is working with the consultant on the first task (Phase 1: Schematic Design), staff has provided feedback of the Schematic Design taking into consideration the School District and Development Impact Fee (DIF) fees, and appropriate unit type and size. On, October 19, 2021, staff presented at the draft site plan and architecture designs to the Southern Riverside County Association of Realtors (SRCAR). On November 30, 2021, staff held an Open House to solicit feedback from the professional community (i.e., Engineers, Contractors, Architects, etc.), the meeting will be open to the public. Staff is currently reviewing the construction drawings. Plans will be going back into review to update the plans to account for the 2022 Building Code. The Community Development Department held a public workshop for the new Permit Ready ADU Program on February 22, 2023. The Permit Ready ADU program will launch on April 1, 2023. **(RABIDOU)**

Uptown Temecula Specific Plan Amendment (LR19-1458): An amendment to the Uptown Specific Plan to implement the following changes: modify graphics to reflect consistency with text regarding allowable frontage types, amend street cross sections (graphics), amend plant pallet and silva cell requirements for street trees, implement a street naming convention, amend streetlight spacing and other typographical errors. Staff has reached out to Spurlock Consulting for assistance in updating the Sidewalk and Streetscape

Standards and is awaiting a scope of work and timeline. Public Works is drafting new street sections for the Specific Plan. Spurlock Consulting has provided a scope of work for the proposed changes to the streetscape and sidewalk standards and staff has routed the agreement for signature. **(COLLINS)**

Transportation Discovery and Existing Conditions Analysis (LR20-1071): The City received an SB 2 Grant from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to prepare an internal document for staff to identify potential transportation focused areas as part of Phase 2 of our General Plan Update process and timeline. The City has retained Fehr & Peers (F&P) Transportation Consultants to document existing transportation conditions in the City, provide benchmarking information on how transportation facilities, transportation use and policies compares to other peer agencies (through benchmarking) and will evaluate how much of the current Circulation Element has been implemented. Staff worked with F&P to identify methodology, thresholds, and mitigation to address VMT for the California Environmental Quality Act evaluation, which the City Council adopted in May 2020. On July 19, 2021, Staff has a scheduled internal meeting with Fehr & Peers, they present to staff the Data Collection Status. Currently, the consultant is developing the three scenario runs to be reviewed by staff prior to conducting a full model run. **(PETERS)**

Old Town Parklets (LR22-1112): The previous Old Town Outdoor Dining Program was a project intended to make the Temporary Expanded Dining/Retail Program (TED) permanent that was sparked by the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. However, due to the potential barriers that came to light such as loss of parking, ADA requirements, outside agency fees and more, the decision was made by City Council and staff to end the outdoor dining program when the license agreements expired on July 1, 2022. With that, other outdoor dining amenities were explored for Old Town which led to the Old Town Parklet Project. Parklets are the conversion of parking spaces on urban streets into a small public ‘park’ or enclosed seating area. The intent of the Parklet Project is to provide an additional amenity to the community and promote an increase in pedestrian activity and convenience. Staff is working with a consultant, Placeworks, to design and implement the Old Town Parklets. Locations and design themes will be determined throughout the process. Due to the project change, a new contract is currently being drafted with an updated scope and fees from Placeworks. This will include a reduction in the contract amount and term extension. The project kickoff meeting with city staff is anticipated to be set for the end of April. **(GARCIA)**

Complete Streets (LR23-0043): This project will draft a citywide policy for the city to ensure transportation infrastructure is designed to enhance safety, accessibility, and mobility for all users. A Complete Streets Checklist will be developed to be used internally to ensure that transportation infrastructure projects are implementing Complete Streets where practical by considering the feasibility of Complete Streets improvements and ensuring consistency with other planning documents. The City has retained Fehr & Peers Transportation Consultants to draft the Complete Streets Policy, implementation checklist, and mid-block crosswalk criteria. This project is being funded by the Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant that was awarded by the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The Agreement with Fehr & Peers is scheduled to go to City Council on April 25, 2023. **(GARCIA)**

Climate Action Plan (CAP) Baseline Evaluation (LR23-0083): The City was awarded funds from the Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant opportunity by the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to prepare an internal report of the city’s baseline Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) inventory. The intent is for the City to have full documentation of a baseline emissions inventory that can be used as the City develops a Climate Action Plan. The City has hired WSP to collect data needed to estimate GHG emissions and include vehicle fuel economy standards, electric vehicle mandates, renewable

electricity standards, waste reduction targets, and water use restrictions. The agreement with WSP is currently in the process of gathering the signatures needed for final approval. **(GARCIA)**

Land Use Economic Opportunity Study (LR23-0078): In preparation for the General Plan Update staff has engaged Keyser Marston Associates (KMA) to complete a new Land Use Economic Opportunity Study. Staff is presently working on the agreement, funded through a LEAP Grant and services will commence once executed. **(COLLINS)**

Temecula Creek Wildfire Risk Reduction Community Plan (LR21-1331): Temecula applied for and was awarded a \$300,000 grant to develop Temecula's first Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The grant has a \$78,000 match (staff time), the remainder is to onboard a consultant to draft the plan. RFP has closed and SWCA Environmental was selected as the winning candidate. The contract was approved at the January 10th City Council Meeting and a kickoff is scheduled for February 6th in the conference center. The kickoff meeting was held with 18 in attendance, the Development Team has been assigned and consultant is planning for fieldwork in the coming weeks. Fieldwork was performed on March 28th and associated studies will be provided in due time. **(COLLINS)**

WRCOG REAP Agreement (LR22-0664): An agreement between WRCOG and the City to provide consultation services to provide analysis of required municipal code updates as they relate to the new slate of housing laws, such as SB-9, ADU Laws, etc. Additionally, would evaluate changes to the municipal code required after the adoption of the 6th Cycle Housing Element. The cost is included as a benefit to member agencies of WRCOG. WSP is the consultant selected by WRCOG to assist the city review its Municipal Code in relation to the new housing bills passed. Staff has bi-weekly meetings with the consultant to address the changes and will discuss proposed changes at a future date in consultation with the City Attorney's Office. Staff has received the draft analysis and will be reaching out for policy direction. Staff approached the consultant to include recently approved legislation in their analysis, and was unwilling. For this reason, staff with the assistance of the City Attorney's office will draft the Ordinance and the consultant has been released from the agreement through WRCOG. **(COLLINS)**

Old Town Parking Management White Paper (LR22-0857): The project will allow for the creation of a white paper discussing various technology solutions designed to track and report on parking in Old Town in real time. The project encompasses the entire Old Town Specific Plan area. Staff has retained Fehr & Peers to create the document and recommend technology for monitoring parking in real time. **(JONES)**

ADU Addressing Resolution (LR23-0110): A Resolution of the City Council relating to the addressing of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (JADU's). State law does not provide guidance or direction on the addressing of these new units being constructed throughout the City, the lack of clarity and consistency was causing frustration and confusion. The proposed Resolution continues our existing addressing policy while allowing a predictable, consistent, and logical addressing of ADU/JADU's. This consent item is scheduled to go to City Council on April 11, 2023. **(COLLINS)**

HOUSING

Las Haciendas Affordable Housing Project: The City has approved the construction of a 77-unit affordable multi-family housing community consisting of two residential buildings, a community building and tuck-under parking located at 28715 Las Haciendas. Community HousingWorks (CHW), the developer, has opened their interest list to the public on their website (<https://chworks.org/>). The project is currently under construction in Uptown Jefferson. **(URIAS)**

Old Town Temecula Town Homes: The City is reviewing a Development Plan application for the construction of 14 multi-family residential units on the vacant .68-acre parcel located at 42146 Sixth Street. (CARDENAS)

Habitat (6) Homes Affordable Project: The City is working with Habitat for Humanity Inland Valley, INC., a California nonprofit developer, to finalize a draft Disposition and Development agreement for the construction of six (6) homes that will be available for purchase to families that qualify under low income or very low-income homebuyer income qualifications. (URIAS)

Request For Proposal (RFP) of the Jefferson Ave/Uptown Vacant Parcel: The City is working on starting the process to RFP the vacant parcel located in Uptown on Jefferson Avenue to the South of the French Valley Interchange exit. This parcel has an Affordable Housing Overlay Zone and The City plans to build affordable housing on this parcel. (URIAS)

BUILDING & SAFETY

Building and Safety statistics for March 2023 are highlighted in the following table.

Building & Safety Statistics	March 2023
Permits	608
New Single Family Units	65
New Commercial Building	1
Photovoltaic	279
Tenant Improvement	9
Non Construction C of O	40
Number of Active Plan Checks	132
Number of New Plan Checks	347
Number of Finaled Permits	284
Inspections	3265
Inspections Per Day	142
Inspections Per Person Per Day	36
Stops Per Month	978
Visitors to Counter	1037

New Construction Projects Issued

- MRC Rec Bldg Pool Building (1,061 SF)

Non-Construction Certificate of Occupancy

- The Brunch House (1,704 SF)
- Old Town Nails & Spa (1,200 SF)

Tenant Improvement

- Silverlake Ramen at the Promenade Mall (1,982 sq ft)

- Krispy Kreme (3,901 sq ft)

CODE ENFORCEMENT

During the month March, Code Enforcement responded to 162 web inquiries. In addition, the division opened 245 code cases, the division opened 238 weed abatement code cases, conducted 443 regular inspections, 970 weed abatement inspections and forwarded 32 referrals.

Code Enforcement Statistics	March
Abandoned or Inoperable Vehicle	4
Vacant Home / Prop. Maintenance /Infestation/ Mold	3
Business or Home Occupation w/o license/CUP	15
Trash and Debris / Dumping	29
Overgrown Vegetation / Weeds / Fire Hazard	17
Green Pool / Vector Control / Stagnant Water	2
Graffiti	34
Noise/Nuisance/Animal Control	17
Trailer / RV Stored/Boat/Parking	26
Construction w/o Permit/Building Code	29
Encroach Public ROW / Trash Cans	21
Zoning/Signs	44
Public Safety & Health	4
Total Number of Cases	245

Foreclosure Tracking: Code Enforcement works with the local real estate community to monitor foreclosures, defaults and real estate owned properties.

Foreclosure Statistics	March 2023
Residential - Default	38
Residential - Foreclosure	28
Residential - REO	12
Total - Residential	78
Commercial - Default	1
Commercial - Foreclosure	1
Commercial - REO	0
Total - Commercial	2

ATTACHMENT: Current Planning Activity Report