PC RESOLUTION NO. 17-005

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMONA APPROVING GENERAL PLAN CONFORMITY (GPC 6197-2016) MAKING A FINDING OF GENERAL PLAN CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED VACATION OF A 20 FOOT WIDE ALLEY LOCATED BETWEEN GORDON AND MAIN STREETS AND BETWEEN COMMERCIAL STREET AND MONTEREY AVENUE

WHEREAS, the applicant, Stephan Escalante, is requesting General Plan Conformity Assessment (GPC 6197-2016) for the proposed vacation of a 20-foot wide alley located between Gordon and Main Streets and between Commercial Street and Monterey Avenue;

WHEREAS, the proposed vacation of the subject walkway is consistent with the City's Mobility and Access Component of the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Pomona has, after giving agenda notice as required by law, reviewed General Plan Conformity Assessment (GPC 6197-2016) on January 25, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Pomona, California as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Planning Commission determines that this project is exempt from further CEQA review and documentation. Section 15061(b)(3) exempts projects where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> In support of the General Plan Conformity Assessment finding, the Planning Commission hereby finds and determines that the walkway vacation will not adversely affect the General Plan of the City, in that the proposed project is consistent with the following policies found in the Noise/Safety Plan Component of the General Plan:

Promote the integration of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles into new development and public spaces:

The proposed vacation is designed to remove an existing public safety and crime nuisance that does not meet the design principles of CPTED which include natural surveillance, natural access control, and territorial reinforcement. The proposed open style, non-opaque tubular steel fencing will still provide visibility into the alley without allowing access by pedestrians or vehicles that are creating a public nuisance with dumping and illicit behaviors. The proposed vacation can be accomplished with little effect on the City's circulation system. The existing legal, non-conforming industrial neighborhoods adjacent to the existing alley currently being impacted with

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dumping of debris and criminal activity that is negatively impacting property owners within this downtown city block.

SECTION 3. The Planning Commission of the City of Pomona approves General Plan Conformity Assessment (GPC 6197-2016) to allow the proposed vacation of a 20-foot wide alley located between Gordon and Main Streets and between Commercial Street and Monterey Avenue as illustrated and described in Exhibit A.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and forward the original to the City Clerk.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

	CAROLYN HEMMING
	PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON
ATTEST:	
BRAD JOHNSON	
PLANNING COMMISSION	N SECRETARY

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREW JARED
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss. CITY OF POMONA)

AYES: Arias, Hemming, Juarez, Ursua, and Ramos.

NOES: Brown and Grajeda.

ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 76-258 of the City of Pomona, the time in which judicial review of this action must be sought is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6."

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EXHIBIT "A"

