

# **Inter Office Memo**

DATE:

March 23, 2023

TO:

**Board of Supervisors** 

FROM:

Planning Commission

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 12988 - CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL PLAN CONFORMITY REVIEW

APPLICANT:

Clovis Unified School District

REQUEST:

Acquire an approximately 15-acre portion of land

from an existing 31.46-acre parcel, for the

construction of support infrastructure, with related facilities including wastewater treatment, domestic water well, and solar for a proposed new education center site (to be located westerly adjacent), in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum

parcel size) Zone District.

LOCATION:

The proposed site is located on the east side of N. Highland Avenue, approximately 740 feet south of its intersection with E. Shields Avenue, approximately one half-mile from the nearest city limits of the City of Clovis, and within the sphere of influence (SOI) of, and approximately one and one half-mile east of the nearest city limits of the City of Fresno (APN: 309-200-47) (2768 N. Highland Ave.) (Sup. Dist. 5).

#### PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

At its hearing of March 23, 2023, the Commission considered the Staff Report and testimony (summarized in Exhibit A).

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hill, and seconded by Commissioner Zante to determine that acquisition of the proposed school site was in conformance with the Fresno County General Plan.

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 12988**

This motion failed on the vote below. No finding of conformance or non-conformance was made.

**VOTING:** 

Yes:

Commissioners Hill, Zante and Carver

No:

Commissioners Abrahamian, Arabian and Chatha

Absent:

Commissioners Woolf and Ewell

Abstain:

None

STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

Department of Public Works and Planning Secretary-Fresno County Planning Commission

Ву:

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Attachments

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## Clovis Unified School District General Plan Conformity Review

Staff:

The Fresno County Planning Commission considered the Staff Report dated March 23, 2023, and heard a summary presentation by staff.

Applicant:

The Applicant was not present at the hearing to provide any additional information regarding the request for a determination of conformity:

Others:

One interested individual spoke in opposition to the request citing concerns with siting concerns with the preservation of agricultural land. The individual also provided the following additional information:

- We were not notified by Clovis Unified of this hearing.
- The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis is not complete, and we feel that the process is being rushed.
- We would prefer to see the CEQA process conclude first, and that alternative sites be considered and evaluated.
- The property in question is designated as Prime Farmland, and there are other sites which are designated Farmland of Local Importance.
- According to the site plan there would be open effluent holding ponds for the proposed wastewater treatment would potentially have a 30-foot setback from future residences.
- We would prefer that the Planning Commission delay their finding on this item due our concerns that a finding of consistency would strengthen Clovis Unified School District's position on this project.

Correspondence:

No correspondence was presented to the Planning Commission either in support or opposition to the application.

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