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HEARING OFFICER AGENDA

Regular Meeting of Monday, October 17, 2016, 8:30 A.M.

Merced County Administration Building
Room 301, Third Floor
2222 M Street
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The Hearing Officer welcomes you and encourages your participation.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: If you wish to speak on a matter that does NOT appear on the agenda, you may do so during the citizen communications period. Please state your name and address for the record. Each speaker will be limited to five (5) minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: If you would like to address the Hearing Officer on any item on the agenda, please fill it out with your name, street address, phone number, email address and the application number on the sign-in sheet. Each speaker will be limited to five (5) minutes.

AGENDAS and MINUTES: Hearing Officer agendas, minutes, and copies of items to be considered are published on the County's Website no later than the Wednesday, but generally on the Monday, preceding each Commission meeting and may be viewed at www.co.merced.ca.us/planning/hearingoffcomarchive.html. All proposed agenda items with supportive documents are available for viewing at the Merced County Planning and Community Development Department between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday - Friday (except holidays). This is the same packet that the Hearing Officer will review and discuss at the meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact the Department and copies will be provided for the direct cost of duplication or emailed at no cost.

PUBLIC RECORDS: As required by Government Code Section 54957.5, any public record distributed to the Hearing Officer less than 72 hours prior to this meeting in connection with any agenda item shall be made available for public inspection at the Merced County Administration Building, 2222 M Street, Merced, CA 95340. Public records distributed during the meeting will be available for public inspection at the meeting if prepared by the County. If the public record is prepared by some other person and distributed at the meeting it will be made available for public inspection following the meeting at the Planning and Community Development Department.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Merced County Hearing Officer meeting facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Planning and Community Development Department at (209) 385-7654. Notification 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting will enable the County to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

APPEAL NOTICE: Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Hearing Officer may appeal the decision within five (5) calendar days after the day the action is made. [Within ten (10) calendar days after the day the action is made on subdivisions]. The deadline for appeals of Hearing Officer actions, excluding subdivisions, is 5:00 p.m. on the Monday following the Hearing Officer meeting, and for subdivisions, the deadline is the following Thursday at 5:00 pm. Please note that appeals may not be submitted on days that the County is officially closed.

Appeals of Hearing Officer actions may be filed with the Planning and Community Development Department. Appeals must state appellant's name, action appealed and reasons for the appeal. A filing fee set by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors must be submitted with the written appeal.

Members of the public are advised that all pagers, cellular telephones and any other communication devices are to be turned off upon entering the Hearing Officer meeting.



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Public opportunity to address the Hearing Officer on any item of interest over which the Planning Commission has jurisdiction that is not on the agenda.

III. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- A. **MINOR SUBDIVISION APPLICATION No. MS16-011 – Bible Baptist Church of Atwater** - To subdivide a 5.4 acre parcel into 3 parcels resulting in parcel sizes of: Parcel 1 = 2.63 acres, Parcel 2 and Parcel 3 = 1.38 acres each. The property is located on the north side of Santa Fe Drive, 1100 feet east of Fox Road in the Atwater area. The property is designated Atwater City Planning Area Very Low Density Residential land use in the General Plan and zoned R-3 (Multi-Family Residence zones). **PN**

Recommendations: The actions requested are to:

- 1) Determine the project is categorically exempt from CEQA review under Section 15315 of the CEQA Guidelines, and;
- 2) Approve Minor Subdivision Application No. MS16-011 based on the project findings and subject to the conditions of approval listed in the Staff Report.

- B. **MINOR SUBDIVISION APPLICATION No. MS16-010 - Jose Montano** - To divide a 3.3 acre parcel into two parcels: Parcel 1 = 1.06 acres and Parcel 2 = 2.07 acres. The property is located on the south side of Stretch Road, 125 feet west of Piedmont Drive. The property is designated Merced City Planning Area – Agricultural Residential in the General Plan and zoned A-R (Agricultural-Residential). **BG**

Recommendations: The actions requested are to:

- 1) Determine the project is categorically exempt from CEQA review under Section 15315 of the CEQA Guidelines, and;
- 2) Approve Minor Subdivision Application No. MS16-010 based on the project findings and subject to the conditions of approval listed in the Staff Report.