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STAFF MEMORANDUM
Zoning Administration
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Item #1

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File: PLN19-0056
Modification to the Use Permit with Architecture & Site Approval
and Grading Approval for the Conservation Center for Wildlife
Address: 24103 Congress Springs Road, Saratoga

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file status report.

DISCUSSION

The proposed project is a modification to a previously-approved combined project entitlement for a Use Permit with ASA and Grading Approval, originally approved by the Planning Commission on November 14, 2014. Said entitlement allowed the establishment of a new wildlife refuge and rehabilitation facility (Conservation Center for Wildlife Care). The original Use Permit with ASA approval included 80,958 square feet (sq. ft.) of building area, two (2) caretaker residences, and fifty (50) wildlife enclosures. The applicant proposes to modify the project to eliminate two (2) wildlife enclosure, resulting in forty-five (45) wildlife enclosures, and rearranged the location of the wildlife habitat enclosures, retaining walls, and water tanks. The hours of operation and number of people on-site would remain the same as the approved by the Planning Commission for the Use Permit.

According to Section 5.10.060 of the Zoning Ordinance, the proposed amendment to the combined project entitlement requires review and approval by the Planning Commission. As such, Staff has tentatively scheduled the project for a public hearing before the Planning Commission on July 25, 2019. A new public notice will be mailed to all residents within a 1,000 square foot radius, interested parties list and published in the newspaper.

REVIEWED BY

Prepared by: Colleen Tsuchimoto, Senior Planner
Reviewed by: Leza Mikhail, Zoning Administrator & Principal Planner

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