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RESOLUTION NO. 14-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RIALTO, CALIFORNIA GRANTING B&B PLASTICS, INC. A CONDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ALLOW AN INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BUILDING FLOOR **AREA** RATIO THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 151,705 SQUARE FOOT WAREHOUSE BUILDING ON A 6.64 ACRE SITE LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOCUST AVENUE AND CASMALIA STREET WITHIN THE EMP (EMPLOYMENT) ZONE OF THE RENAISSANCE SPECIFIC ADOPTING AND Α MITIGATED **NEGATIVE** DECLARATION (ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 13-44).

WHEREAS, the applicant, B&B Plastics, Inc., proposes to merge the two (2) parcels of land (APN: 1133-241-04 & -05) located on the northeast corner of Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street within the EMP (Employment) zone of the Renaissance Specific Plan into one (1) 6.64-acre parcel ("Site"), and then construct a 151,705 square foot warehouse building for storage and distribution of recycled materials ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project will consist of 9,160 square feet of office space and 142,545 square feet of warehouse space and 27 loading dock doors, which will be located on the north side of the building; and

WHEREAS, the development standards for the EMP Zone within the Renaissance Specific Plan limit the allowable Floor Area Ratio (FAR) to a maximum of 40 percent; and

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to develop the Project with a 52.47 percent FAR, which is 12.47 percent higher than the maximum allowed in the EMP zone; and

WHEREAS, the Renaissance Specific Plan contains provisions to allow for a bonus in the allowable FAR through the implementation of "non-residential incentives," and each development incentive listed in the Renaissance Specific Plan provides a certain percentage bonus in the allowable FAR; and

WHEREAS, although the Renaissance Specific Plan limits the number of development incentives allowed to be used to two (2) per project, the Director of Development Services has

determined that an applicant may incorporate additional development incentives beyond two (2) through a conditional development permit; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to apply for a conditional development permit ("CDP No. 740") to incorporate seven (7) development incentives into the Project, which will provide an additional 13 percent in the maximum FAR, in order to reach the desired FAR of 52.47 percent; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2014, the Planning Commission of the City of Rialto conducted a duly noticed public hearing, as required by law, on CDP No. 740, took testimony, at which time it received input from staff, the city attorney, and the applicant; heard public testimony; discussed the proposed CDP No. 740; and closed the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Rialto as follows:

SECTION 1. Based on substantial evidence presented to the Planning Commission during the public hearing conducted with regard to to CDP No. 740, including written staff reports, verbal testimony, site plans, other documents, and the conditions of approval stated herein, the Planning Commission hereby determines that CDP No. 740 satisfies the requirements of Section 16.66.020 of the Rialto Municipal Code pertaining to the findings which must be made precedent to granting a conditional development permit, which findings are as follows:

1. The proposed use is deemed essential or desirable to provide a service or facility which will contribute to the convenience or general well-being of the neighborhood or community; and

This finding is supported by the following facts:

The Site is a rectangular piece of land comprised of two (2) parcels, both of which are vacant and covered with shrubs and grasses. The Project will provide development on and be the highest and best use for the Site, which is in accordance with the Renaissance Specific Plan. The facility will be for the storage and distribution of recycled materials already being processed at the applicant's other facility located at 3040 N. Locust Avenue. The Project will provide employment within the City and reduce blight by implementing a use on vacant, unimproved land. Furthermore, the applicant has outgrown its current location, but chose a site in City of Rialto to expand its operations,

and therefore, retained employment and productivity for the City, which is a benefit to the community.

2. The proposed use will not be detrimental or injurious to health, safety, or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity; and

This finding is supported by the following facts:

The use of storage and distribution of recycled materials is consistent with the Renaissance Specific Plan, which permits light industrial, warehousing, and related storage uses by right within the EMP zone. To the north is a roofing contractor's yard; to the east and across the street to the south are vacant land; and across the street to the west is a pipe storage yard. Such surrounding uses, which are permitted within the Renaissance Specific Plan, are similar in intensity of use. Also, there are no sensitive receptors, schools, or residences residing or working within the near vicinity. Furthermore, the building is oriented such that none of the dock doors will be visible from the public right-of-way, nor will obtrusive screen walls be necessary for screening.

3. The site for the proposed use is adequate in size, shape, topography, accessibility and other physical characteristics to accommodate the proposed use in a manner compatible with existing land uses; and

This finding is supported by the following facts:

The Site contains 6.64 acres, is rectangular, fairly level, and adjacent to two (2) streets, all of which will be able to accommodate the proposed use. The Project will have three (3) points of access – two (2) via Locust Avenue and one (1) via Casmalia Street. The southerly driveway on Locust Avenue will serve passenger vehicles using the offices. The northerly driveway on Locust Avenue and the driveway on Casmalia Street will primarily serve truck traffic accessing the loading dock area. The Casmalia Street driveway will also serve as a shared driveway for any future development to the east. A reciprocal driveway easement will be recorded to guarantee the shared access point. In addition, the building will have 129 parking stalls, which exceeds the 103 required parking stalls required under Table 3-6 of the Renaissance Specific Plan.

4. The site has adequate access to those utilities and other services required for the proposed use; and

This finding is supported by the following facts:

The Site will have adequate access to all utilities and services required through main water, electric, sewer, and other utility lines that will be hooked up to the Site.

5. The proposed use will be arranged, designed, constructed, and maintained so as it will not be injurious to property or improvements in the vicinity or otherwise be

inharmonious with the General Plan and its objectives, the Renaissance Specific Plan, or any zoning ordinances, and

This finding is supported by the following facts:

As previously stated, the use is consistent with the Renaissance Specific Plan. The building will be oriented such that none of the dock doors will be visible from the public right-of-way and will have 129 parking stalls. An average thirty (30) foot wide landscaped setback has been provided along both Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street. Landscaping has been abundantly incorporated into the Site, and landscape coverage for is 12.4 percent, which exceeds the minimum required amount of 10 percent. To achieve the desired 52.47 FAR, the applicant proposed a building location that orients the main entrance towards the public sidewalk at the street intersection, will install a decorative colonnade at the southwest corner of the project site, near the intersection of Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street, will construct an outdoor employee plaza consisting decorative overhead wood trellises, modest landscaping, and durable outdoor furniture to serve as break/lunch/meeting area for employees,

6. Any potential adverse effects upon the surrounding properties will be minimized to every extent practical and any remaining adverse effects shall be outweighed by the benefits conferred upon the community or neighborhood as a whole.

This finding is supported by the following facts:

Although an initial study indicates that Project could have a significant effect on air quality, cultural resources, geology and soils, and traffic, any potential impacts will be mitigated to a level of insignificance through the conditions of approval. Therefore the adverse effects are outweighed by the benefits conferred upon the community and neighborhood as a whole.

SECTION 2. B&B Plastics, Inc. is hereby granted CDP No. 740 to allow an increase in the allowable building floor area ratio through the implementation of non-residential development incentives for the development of a 151,705 square foot warehouse building on a 6.64 acre site located at the northeast corner of Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street within the EMP (Employment) zone of the Renaissance Specific Plan.

SECTION 3. An Initial Study has been prepared for the proposed project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and it has been determined that any impacts will be reduced to a level of insignificance and a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared

in accordance with CEQA. The Planning Commission directs the Planning Division to file the necessary documentation with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for San Bernardino County.

SECTION 4. CDP No. 740 is granted to B&B Plastics, Inc. in accordance with the plans and application on file with the Planning Division, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The approval is granted allowing a thirteen (13) percent increase in the allowable floor area ration (FAR) through the implementation of the following development features:
 - a. Lot Consolidation
 - b. Reciprocal Driveway Access
 - c. Pedestrian Building Orientation
 - d. Public Art
 - e. Employee Plaza
 - f. Landmark Intersection Feature
 - g. Business Retention
- 2. The approval is granted allowing the development of a 151,705 square foot warehouse building on a 6.64-acre site located at the northeast corner of Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street, as shown on the plans submitted to the Planning Division on February 25, 2014, and as approved by the Planning Commission. If the Conditions of Approval specified herein are not satisfied or otherwise completed, the project shall be subject to revocation.
- 3. Prior to the issuance of building or grading permits for the proposed development, a Precise Plan of Design shall be approved by the City's Development Review Committee (DRC).
- 4. City inspectors shall have access to the site to reasonably inspect the site during normal working hours to assure compliance with these conditions and other codes.
- 5. The applicant shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Rialto, its agents, officers, or employees from any claims, damages, action, or proceeding against the City or its agents, officers, or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul, and approval of the City, its advisory agencies, appeal boards, or legislative body concerning CDP No. 740. The City will promptly notify the applicant of any such claim, action, or proceeding against the City and will cooperate fully in the defense.
- 6. In accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section 66020(d)(1), the imposition of fees, dedications, reservations, or exactions for this Project, if any, are subject to protest by the applicant at the time of approval or conditional approval of the Project or within 90 days after the date of the imposition of the fees, dedications, reservations, or exactions imposed on the Project.

- 7. The final public art design shall be subject to the review and approval of the City's Economic Development Committee.
- 8. Tower elements/height variations shall be included at the northwest corner, the southeast corner of the building, the center of the west side of the building, and the center of the south side of the building.
- 9. The applicant shall provide pop-out articulation and/or wall plane recesses to the northwest, southwest, and southeast corners of the building. The areas should be visibly offset from the rest of the building. Section 18.61.080C requires building facades greater than 100 feet in length to incorporate wall plane projects and/or recesses with a depth of at least three (3) feet. Wall plane projections may encroach into the thirty (30) foot average setback.
- 10. The applicant shall provide additional glazing at the northwest corner and the southeast corner of the building. The additional glazing will balance it with the southwest corner of the building and aesthetically enhance these readily visible corners as seen from Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street. The east side of the southeast corner of the building shall be duplicated to match the south side of the southeast corner of the building. A glossy dark blue paint, that matches the color of the glazing, may be used to substitute glazing on the north and east sides of the building. Elevation enhancements on the east side of the building shall extend all the way back to the entry gate at the southeast driveway.
- 11. The applicant shall incorporate undulating berms within the landscape setback and landscape areas along Locust Avenue. The highest part of the berms should be at least 3 feet in height.
- 12. Decorative paving shall be provided at all vehicular access points to the site.
- 13. All downspouts on the east, south, and west elevations of the building shall be routed through the building. No exterior downspouts allowed on these elevations visible from public right-of-way.
- 14. The exterior of the trash enclosure shall match the material and base color of the building.
- 15. All doors shall be painted to match the color of the adjacent wall.
- 16. The applicant shall obtain all necessary approvals and operating permits from all Federal, State and local agencies prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
- 17. The privileges granted by the Planning Commission pursuant to approval of this Conditional Development Permit are valid for one (1) year from the effective date of approval. If the applicant fails to commence the project within one year of said effective date, this conditional development permit shall be null and void and any

privileges granted hereunder shall terminate automatically. If the applicant or his or her successor in interest commence the project within one year of the effective date of approval, the privileges granted hereunder will continue inured to the property as long as the property is used for the purpose for which the conditional development permit was granted, and such use remains compatible with adjacent property uses.

18. If the applicant fails to comply with any of the conditions of approval placed upon Conditional Development Permit No. 740 or any conditions placed upon the approval of the Precise Plan of Design required by Condition No. 3 above, the Planning Commission may initiate proceedings to revoke the conditional development permit in accordance with the provisions of Sections 18.66.070 through 18.66.090, inclusive, of the Rialto Municipal Code.

SECTION 5. The Chairman of the Planning Commission shall sign the passage and adoption of this resolution and thereupon the same shall take effect and be in force.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March, 2014.

JERRY GUTIERREZ, CHAIR CITY OF RIALTO PLANNING COMMISSION

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