Ceiba Townhall

March 18, 2023

Today, we'll discuss

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City Council Decision

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Neighbor
Concerns

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Conditions of Approval

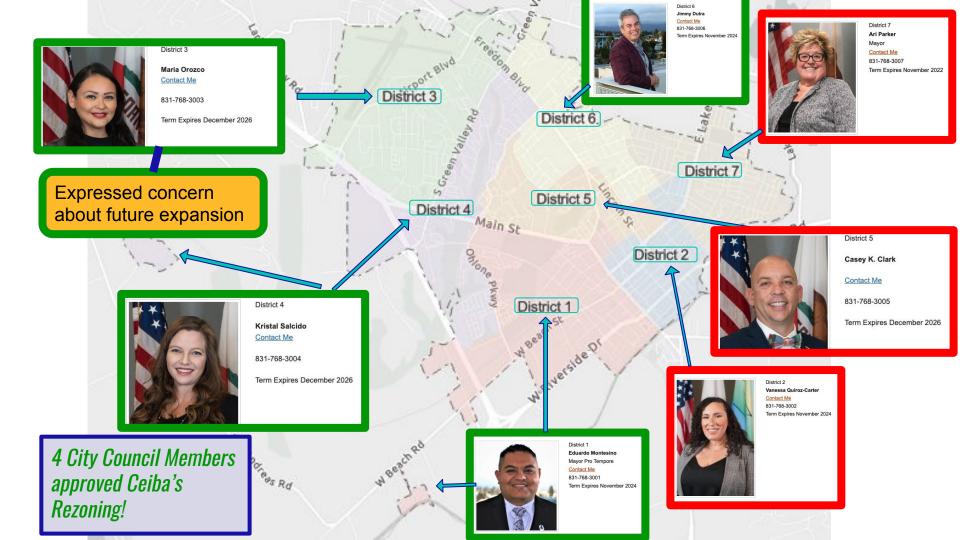
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228 & 234 Locust St 03

Drop-off & Pick-up

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Ceiba
"Quince"
Celebration



Watsonville 2005

G E N E R A L P L A



City of Watsonville

Adopted May 24, 1994 (Resolution No. 137-94 CM)

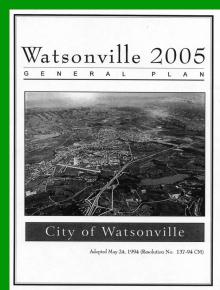
PURPOSE: Build a livable city

Goal: Enhance quality of life for all residents

Key points: Not strictly limited to land-use issues; Contains statements of public policy that directly affect children, youth individuals and seniors

Chapter 1: Executive Summary	Chapter 8: Recreation	
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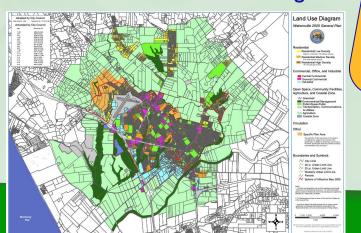
Emergency Evacuation Route Analysis



28th Amendment to Watsonville General Plan

Re-designate 215 Locust Street, Watsonville, California
From Industrial to Institutional (Public/Quasi-public) to
Allow the Permanent Establishment of a 525-Student Charter School
for Grades 6-12 in an Existing 27,000± Square Foot Building with an
8,500± Square Foot Mezzanine on a 2.1± Acre Site

2005 General Plan Land Use Diagram

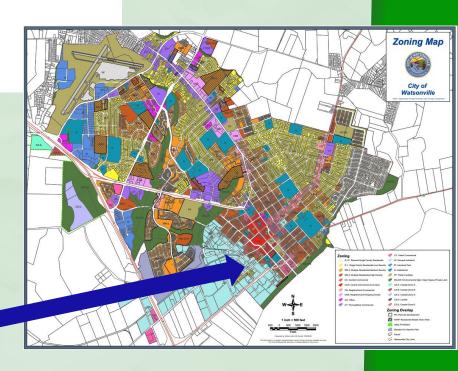


This General Plan Amendment was approved via a 2nd Reading on March 14th



- Watsonville divided into zoning districts.
- Zoning districts listed in Watsonville Municipal Code
- Code defines what activities or uses are permitted in each zone
- Provides guidelines for development within each zone

On February 28th, the City Council amended the Watsonville Zoning Map to reflect 215 Locust St as an Institutional (N) zoning designation



Special Use Permit

Is the land use allowed?

Yes, by right

Land use permitted under Municipal Code Zoning ordinance



No. Needs Approval

- Obtain Special Use Permit from Planning Commission
- City Council may affirm, modify, or overturn Planning Commission's decision

Special Use Permit

- Special uses are types of developments that are viewed to be supportive of the existing land use in certain zoning districts.
- Special use permit to ensure its compatibility among neighboring land uses through a list of conditions.
- All schools are required to have a special use permit in the institutional district

CEIBA Special Use Permit

CITY OF WATSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

EXHIBIT B

Application No: 1737 APN: 017-161-51 Applicant: Ceiba

Hearing Date: February 28, 2023

SPECIAL USE PERMIT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

These conditions of approval apply to the Special Use Permit to allow the permanent establishment of a 525-student charter school on a 2.1± acre site located at 215 Locust Street (formerly 260 Riverside Drive). For the purpose of these conditions, the term "applicant" shall also mean Ceiba College Preparatory Academy (Ceiba), inclusive of the school's owners and administrators.

Watsonville Community Development/Planning Dept:

- Proposed 52 Conditions in Draft Special Use Permit
- City Council Approved Special Use Permit with additional conditions; Vote 4-3 on February 28th

Special Use Permit Conditions

Conditions Complied with

- 38 total conditions, including:
 - Accessibility signage
 - Bioswale ongoing maintenance
 - Path-of-Travel along driveway
 - Safe Routes to School Plan

Conditions requiring action

- 17 conditions, including:
 - Installation of high-visibility crosswalks and street signs
 - School zone along Riverside Dr
 - Sewer inspection
 - Metal Roof on Trash Enclosure
 - Bike-share program
 - Carpool spaces
 - Flood-proof existing building
 - Sign indemnity provision with CoW
 - Bi-annual meeting with CoW Business Community
 - o Complaint form available on ceibaschools.org website

Watsonville Community Development Department will oversee compliance with conditions A revocation procedure can be started if Ceiba not meet the conditions.

Special Use Permit Enforcement



Watsonville City Council



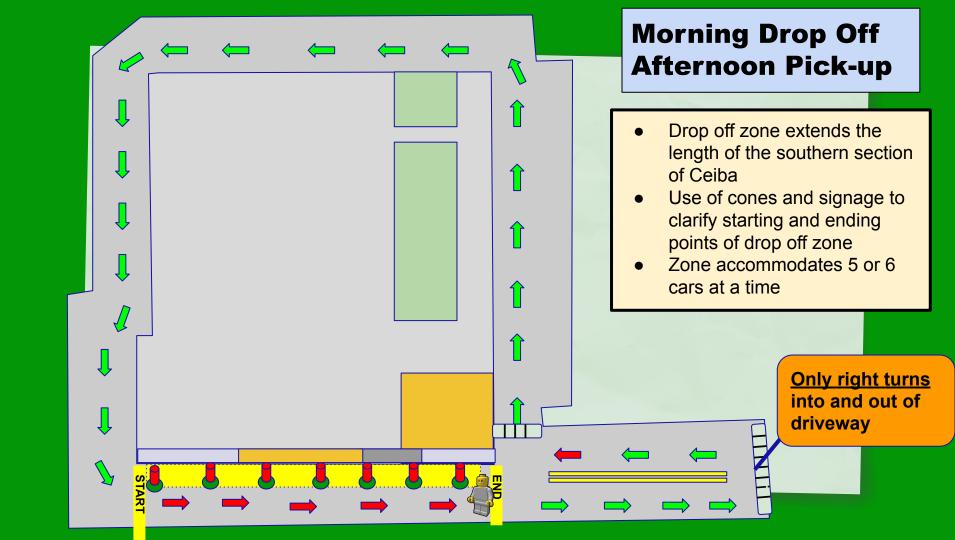


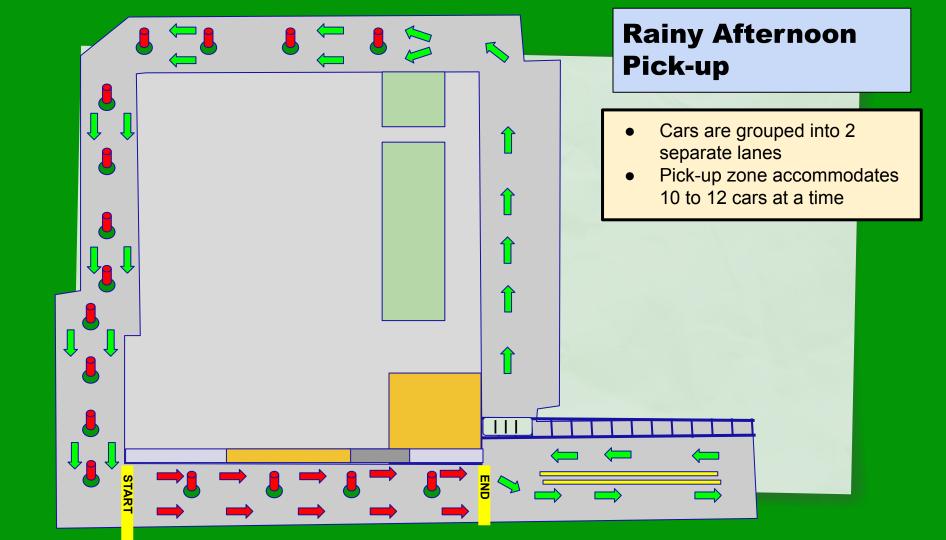
APPOINTS

Watsonville Planning Commission

District 1:	District 3 : Jenni	District 5:	District 7:
Daniel Dodge	Veitch-Olson	Peter Radin	Ed Acosta
District 2: Brando Sencion	District 4: Martha Vega	District 6: Lucy Rojas	



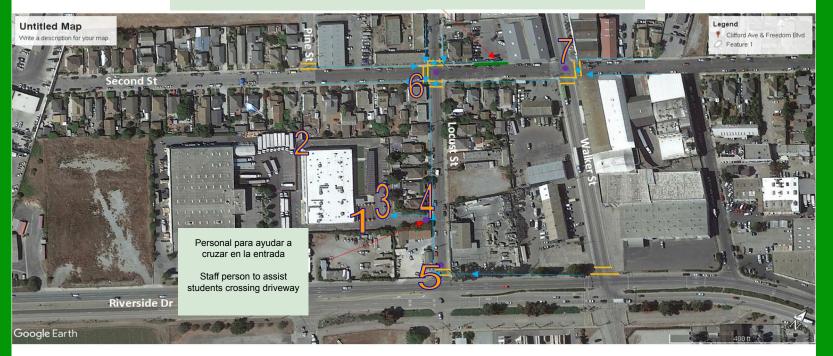








Ceiba Crossing Locations and Alternative Drop-Off and Pick-up Locations Lugares de paso y lugares alternativos para dejar y recoger a los alumnos





School Crosswalk / Cruce escolar Crossing Guard / Guardia de cruces Walking Route to school / Ruta a pie a la escuela

Continuing Traffic Concerns



#1 Dropping off on Locust St

Do not drop off on South-bound Locust

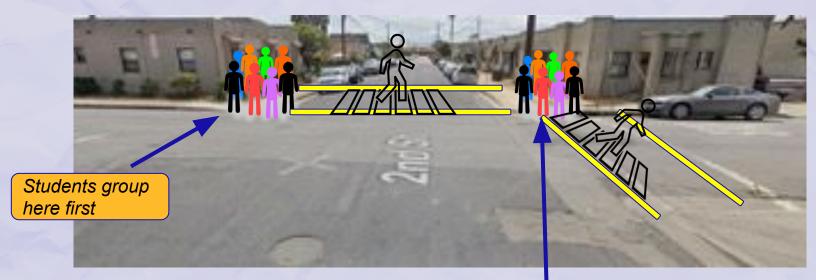
Continuing Traffic Concerns



Pull over to if picking up or dropping of students

Double Parking

Continuing Traffic Concerns



Student Crossing at 2nd and Locust

Cross 2nd St in group on North side of Locust St

228 & 234 Locust St

Needs to be rezoned

Size	14,800 square feet /.34 acres
Current Zoning	Residential
Current Owner	Ceiba Public Schools
Current Structures	Vacant



Neighbor Concern: A gymnasium will encourage more traffic and parking issues in neighborhood



Question: Do we, as a school, still want to pursue the gymnasium?



Ideas

Concerns

Ceiba Student Carpooling



Ideas

Concerns

Bike Share



Ceiba "Quince" to celebrate...

- Ceiba's 15th year as a school!
- Ceiba's rezoning
- Ceiba scholar success!

Parents, we want your support!

- 1. What should the celebration look like?
- What would encourage people to attend?

