



## ***Sonoma County Board of Zoning Adjustments***

### ***Actions***

Board of Supervisors Chambers  
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December 28, 2023  
Meeting No.: 23-11

#### **Roll Call**

Commissioner Reed, District 2  
Absent, District 3  
Absent, District 4  
Commissioner Koenigshofer, District 5  
Commissioner Carr, Chair, District 1

#### **Staff Members**

Cecily Condon, PRMD Division Manager  
Jen Chard, Project Planner  
Tasha Levitt, Administrative Assistant  
Jennifer Klein, Chief Deputy County Counsel

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## **Board of Zoning Adjustments Regular Calendar**

#### **Item No.: 1**

**Time:** 1:05 PM  
**File:** UPE22-0006  
**Applicant:** Raj Ghoman/Science of the Soul  
**Owner:** Radha Soami Society Beas-America  
**Cont. from:** N/A  
**Staff:** Jen Chard  
**Env. Doc:** Exempt per Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gathering)  
**Proposal:** Use Permit modification to a previously approved Use Permit File No. PLP96-0004, to allow an annual 3-day special event for a maximum of 12,000 people per day. Portable toilets and existing facilities will accommodate the event. Amplified outdoor sound and overnight accommodations are not proposed. The event will

last approximately 2 hours starting each day at mid-day and finishing in the early afternoon.

**Recommended**

**Action:** The Permit Resource and Management Department (Permit Sonoma) recommends that the Board of Zoning Adjustments approve the Use Permit Modification request to allow an annual 3-day special event for a maximum of 12,000 people per day, subject to the attached Conditions of Approval.

**Location:** 2240 Adobe Road, Petaluma

**APN:** 136-070-045 and -039.

**District:** Second

**Zoning:** Diverse Agriculture (allowed density: one dwelling unit per 10 acres with a 2-acre minimum lot size) and combining districts for Floodway, Floodplain, Riparian Corridor with 50-foot setbacks, Scenic Resources, and Valley Oak Habitat.

**Action:** **Commissioner Koenigshofer** motioned to approve the project as recommended with modifications to remove duplicate draft condition number 27 and amend Draft condition 28 as discussed. Seconded by **Commissioner Reed** and approved with a 3-0-2 vote.

Appeal Deadline: 10 days

Resolution No.: 23-08

**Vote:**

Commissioner Reed, District 2	Aye
Absent, District 3	Absent
Absent, District 4	Absent
Commissioner Koenigshofer, District 5	Aye
Commissioner Carr, Chair, District 1	Aye

Ayes: 3  
Noes: 0  
Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0